

## Enrolled Senate Bill 300

Sponsored by Senator MEEK (Presession filed.)

CHAPTER .....

AN ACT

Relating to private security services; amending ORS 181A.840; and declaring an emergency.

**Be It Enacted by the People of the State of Oregon:**

**SECTION 1.** ORS 181A.840 is amended to read:

181A.840. As used in ORS 181A.360, 181A.840 to 181A.918, 181A.895 and 181A.995:

(1) "Certification" means recognition by the Department of Public Safety Standards and Training that a private security professional meets all of the qualifications listed in ORS 181A.855.

(2) "Executive manager" means a person:

(a) Who is authorized to act on behalf of a company or business in matters of licensure and certification;

(b) Who is authorized to hire and terminate personnel;

(c) Whose primary responsibility is the management of certified private security professionals; and

(d) Who has final responsibility for a company's or business's compliance with ORS 181A.840 to 181A.918.

(3) "Instructor" means any person who has been certified by the department as meeting the requirements to provide instruction to private security providers or applicants.

(4) "License" means recognition by the department that an executive manager or supervisory manager meets the requirements adopted by the Board on Public Safety Standards and Training as necessary to provide private security services.

(5) "Primary responsibility" means an activity that is fundamental to, and required or expected in, the regular course of employment and is not merely incidental to employment.

(6)(a) "Private security entity" [*means a person engaged in the business of providing private security that:*]

*[(A) Employs private security providers; or]*

*[(B) Contracts or subcontracts with an existing licensed private security entity to provide private security services.]* **includes any person that:**

**(A) For an agreed remuneration or rate of pay, recruits, solicits, supplies or employs private security providers to perform private security services for another person;**

**(B) For an agreed remuneration or rate of pay, recruits, solicits, supplies or employs private security providers on behalf of another employer to provide private security services; or**

**(C) Enters into a subcontract with another person to perform any of the activities described in subparagraph (A) or (B) of this paragraph.**

(b) "Private security entity" does not include a special campus security provider commissioned under ORS 352.118 or a private security provider on a campus of an institution of higher education regulated under ORS 181A.972.

(7) "Private security professional" means an individual who performs, as the individual's primary responsibility, private security services for consideration, regardless of whether the individual, while performing the private security services, is armed or unarmed or wears a uniform or plain clothes, and regardless of whether the individual is employed part-time or full-time to perform private security services.

(8) "Private security provider" means any individual who performs the functions of a private security professional, executive manager, supervisory manager or instructor.

(9) "Private security services" means the performance of at least one of the following activities:

(a) Observing and reporting unlawful activity.

(b) Preventing or detecting theft or misappropriation of goods, money or other items of value.

(c) Protecting individuals or property, including but not limited to proprietary information, from harm or misappropriation.

(d) Controlling access to premises being protected or, with respect to a licensee of the Oregon Liquor and Cannabis Commission, controlling access to premises at an entry to the premises or any portion of the premises where minors are prohibited.

(e) Securely moving prisoners.

(f) Taking enforcement action by detaining persons or placing persons under arrest under ORS 133.225.

(g) Providing canine services for guarding premises or for detecting unlawful devices or substances.

(10) "Supervisory manager" means an employee of or a person supervised by an executive manager who has as a primary responsibility the supervision of certified private security professionals.

**SECTION 2. This 2025 Act being necessary for the immediate preservation of the public peace, health and safety, an emergency is declared to exist, and this 2025 Act takes effect on its passage.**

**Passed by Senate June 17, 2025**

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Obadiah Rutledge, Secretary of Senate

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