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Thank you for the opportunity to comment in support of SB300. I have been a retail Security and Loss Prevention Manager in Oregon for over 20 years. Prior to the passage of HB2527, the state certification and licensing regulations as overseen by DPSST, provided a high standard of training and oversight for the security industry in Oregon. The passage of HB2527, with its overly broad interpretation, resulted in undue hardship for Oregon's businesses that provide their own, in-house security and loss prevention personnel. Retailers, grocers, restaurants, schools, medical facilities, to name a few who employ in-house security and loss prevention are not in the "business" of providing security for others. The legislation in HB2527 is redundant and not needed for these businesses who already ensure professional training and compliance as regulated by DPSST, for their employees who provide in-house security and loss prevention. SB300 would better define what a security provider is and remove the redundant and unnecessary regulation of businesses who are not actual security providers.

Thank you for considering my testimony.

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