

Senate Bill 694 Proposed Amendments

Senate Bill 694 would make it a Class A traffic violation to operate an imposter police vehicle on a highway or premises open to the public. The bill, as it is currently written, will drastically affect my company and many others like it. I work for McLoughlin & Eardley Group, Inc. (Sirennet.com), an emergency vehicle lighting and accessories reseller located in Tigard. A large part of our business is to show and demonstrate emergency product to government agencies around Oregon. In order to do this we own a variety vehicles that are outfitted to resemble police vehicles. We also have to use public roads in order to get these demonstration vehicles in front of the government agencies so they have the ability to see the product they are going to purchase.

I propose the following provision be added to Section B of Senate Bill 694:

- 1) Section 3 should apply to "Up-fitters, Manufacturers, and Resellers of Emergency Vehicle Equipment".
- 2) A sign should be visible on the side of the police vehicle/emergency vehicle noting that it is a "Demonstration Vehicle" or an actual police vehicle "Not in Service". See Exhibits A1, A2, A3, A4.
- 3) At no time may demonstrator vehicles display the graphic "Police/Sheriff" while operating on a public roadway or in public space unless instructed to do so under the specific law enforcement agency.





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