

# DRAFT MINUTES

Private Security/Private Investigator Policy Committee Meeting  
March 9, 2006  
Minutes

Location: Hamersly Library, Western Oregon University

Policy Committee members present: Harold Burke-Sivers, Eric Meyer, Derek Bliss, Lael Cooksley, Brandon Mak, Judy Pongratz, David Tucker,

Guests: Patricia Vollbrecht, Wally Chow, Ryan Fielf, Julie Brandis, Kim Stearns, Kay Soulis, Dale Ponegel.

DPSST Staff: Karen Evans, Brian Henson

Harold Burke-Sivers called the meeting to order at 10:00 am. Burke-Sivers provided an overview of each legislative concept that had been sent to the Committee members for review:

1. To clarify when certain actions taken under the law, fall under the purview of the Department of Public Safety Standards and Training (DPSST) or the Board on Public Safety Standards and Training (BPSST). ORS 703.401-703.490, 703.993 and 703.995 would be amended to replace certain references to the Department with references to the Board; the desired and intended board process will be reinstated.
2. To update and clarify the scope of the current regulatory functions of the law. The current language specific to the determination of the fitness of an applicant or licensee to engage in the business of an investigator is unlimited in scope. This concept will define processes for setting standards relating to the fitness of individuals engaging in the business of private investigators. This will also bring the investigator fitness standards in line with other disciplines regulated by DPSST. This concept also allows the Department to maintain investigatory files under the Departments records retention schedule and exempt them for disclosure.
3. Refers to the consolidation of program fees and accounting. Regulatory statutes would remain separate. Both programs collect fees; this causes inefficiencies in the administration of the programs. This action would create economy of scale and reduce licensure costs for investigators.

Henson explained differences with the Oregon Board of investigators operational model and the DPSST operational model and how costs could be reduced and staffing reallocated to benefit both programs.

It was stressed that these are concepts and if approved by the Policy Committee, they would be recommended for BPSST approval. None would be in affect until approved by the Oregon Legislators in the 2007 session and signed into law by the governor.

A motion was made by Lael Cooksley to accept the three legislative concepts as presented. Eric Meyer seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.