



# Oregon Liquor Control Commission

## *Agency Overview*



**Oregon Liquor Control Commission  
contributes to Oregon's economy  
by fostering business growth,  
enhancing community livability,  
and reinvesting in Oregon**

OLCC oversees the sale of alcoholic beverages to allow access for responsible adults while protecting public safety

The agency places emphasis on addressing alcohol sales to minors and visibly intoxicated people

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**Governor**

**Rob Patridge**  
Chair  
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**Marvin RéVoal**  
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**Executive Director**  
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**Deputy Director/**  
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**Public Safety**  
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**Distilled Spirits**  
Program

**Support Services**  
Program

# OLCC Commissioners

The commissioners are chosen from the five Oregon congressional districts.

The citizen commissioners help set policy for the OLCC.

They make decisions on issues such as: liquor licenses, administrative rules, contested case hearings, and appointments of liquor store operators.



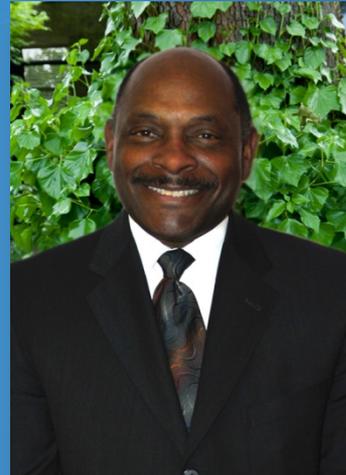
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# History

- The Oregon Liquor Control Commission (OLCC) was created in 1933 by a special legislative session after national prohibition ended
- The Legislature determined the control system was the best model for serving the community interest and making alcohol legally available to Oregonians
- A control system uses a moderate approach by eliminating tactics such as incentives for maximum sales from the marketplace
- The state has the exclusive right to sell distilled spirits. Profits from sales are captured at wholesale and retail levels and returned to benefit state and local governments

# OLCC's Role

- Advocate responsible alcohol consumption
- License all alcohol outlets in Oregon
- Issue permits to all trained alcohol servers
- Manage/distribute distilled spirits
- Regulate businesses that sell/serve alcohol
- Generate revenue for essential services like police, education and health care
- OLCC is also responsible for the regulation of Oregon's Bottle Bill

# OLCC Statewide Offices

Bend Region 

Eugene Region 

Medford Region 

Metro Region 

Salem Region 

