



# News Release

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## **OLCC inspectors find missing Washington teen during routine Fake ID check**

**Portland, OR** – On Friday October 11, Oregon Liquor Control Commission inspectors discovered an Olympia, Washington teenager who was reported missing and wanted by police. The 17-year-old female was attempting to use a fake ID to enter a bar in the Entertainment District of old town Portland. OLCC inspectors work routinely with old town bouncers and security in an effort to keep alcohol out of the hands of minors.

During the course of a possible fake ID investigation, OLCC inspectors determine if the ID presented is a valid ID or if it is a forged/counterfeit ID. If it is a valid ID, inspectors then determine the true identity of the person presenting the ID.

“Keeping alcohol out of the hands of minors is a priority for the OLCC,” says John Eckhart, OLCC Director of Enforcement and Field Operations. “In this case, our routine enforcement activity very well may have saved this young girl from something much more dangerous. We’re very thankful for the great partnership we have with businesses in the Entertainment District and with the Portland Police Bureau.”

The 17-year-old female was transferred to juvenile detention by the Portland Police Bureau to await extradition to Washington. She was charged with possession of a forged instrument in 2nd degree, misrepresentation of age, and providing false information to a peace officer.

For more information on Oregon’s Alcohol Laws and Minors:  
[http://www.oregon.gov/olcc/pages/alcohol\\_and\\_minors.aspx#Oregon s Alcohol Laws and Minors](http://www.oregon.gov/olcc/pages/alcohol_and_minors.aspx#Oregon's%20Alcohol%20Laws%20and%20Minors)

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