



# News Release

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## **83% of businesses checked in Prineville and Powell Butte pass OLCC check for alcohol sales to minors**

**BEND, OR** – Ten out of 12 businesses visited in Prineville and Powell Butte passed a check for alcohol sales to minors by refusing to sell alcohol to a minor volunteer. The sales checks were performed April 11, 2014 by the Oregon Liquor Control Commission.

The sales check resulted in a compliance rate of 83 percent which is consistent with the 2013 statewide average of 84 percent.

“Great job to the businesses that did their part in keeping alcohol out of the hands of minors,” says OLCC Bend Regional Manager, Katie Siefkes. “Making sure that employees are checking ID correctly makes a big difference in the sale to a minor or not.”

The commission performs the minor sales checks in an effort to reduce drinking by minors, which is a serious problem throughout the state. The OLCC tests licensed liquor businesses throughout the year. Licensees or their employees could be held liable for alcohol-related damages and injuries if they serve or sell alcohol to a minor.

The OLCC offers a free training course on how to check ID's. Participants learn how to identify false identification and the laws regarding minors and alcohol. Additional training opportunities are available including classes for store clerks and service permit holders. Interested persons can call the local OLCC office to schedule a training session.

*(Samples of OR Driver Licenses for minor and adult*

*<http://www.flickr.com/photos/oregonliquorcontrolcommission/sets/72157624623539267/>)*

During the sales checks, a minor volunteer attempts to purchase alcohol from a licensed business to see if staff are checking ID's correctly and refusing to sell alcohol to anyone under 21. Commission inspectors or other law enforcement officers supervise the minor volunteers. The volunteers carry their own legal ID that identifies them as under 21 and do not disguise their age or lie to encourage the sale of alcohol. The Oregon Driver license for a minor carries a red border around the picture with the words “Minor Until” followed by the date of his/her 21<sup>st</sup> birthday.

Under Oregon law, businesses in cities with a population of 20,000 or more have an equal chance of being randomly selected for a minor decoy compliance check. A business can also be selected for a compliance check if there is a documented complaint of sales to minors. Businesses in cities with a population under 20,000 and unincorporated areas in counties are not subject to these selection requirements.

## Minor Decoy Operation

April 11, 2014

### Prineville, Powell Butte

12 premises visited: 10 No Sales, 2 Sales – Compliance rate of 83%

<p><b><u>NO SALES</u></b>            THE CLUB AT BRASADA RANCH            16976 BRASADA CANYONS DR            POWELL BUTTE</p> <p>POWELL BUTTE COUNTRY STORE            13673 SW HWY 126            POWELL BUTTE</p> <p>TOM &amp; CHARLEY'S            1590 THIRD ST, STE #B &amp; C            PRINEVILLE</p> <p>RAY'S FOOD PLACE #60            1535 NE THIRD ST            PRINEVILLE</p> <p>PIZZA HUT #1283            1505 E THIRD ST            PRINEVILLE</p>	<p><b><u>NO SALES</u></b>            GEE'S FAMILY RESTAURANT            987 W SECOND            PRINEVILLE</p> <p>HORSESHOE SALOON            410 N MAIN            PRINEVILLE</p> <p>SONS OF BEER            1320 NE THIRD            PRINEVILLE</p> <p>7-ELEVEN #2363-20376G            405 E THIRD ST            PRINEVILLE</p> <p>MAINSTATION EXPRESS            999 N MAIN ST            PRINEVILLE</p>
<p><b><u>SALES</u></b>            RANCHERO MEXICAN RESTAURANT            964 W THIRD            PRINEVILLE</p>	<p><b><u>SALES</u></b>            LAMONTA ROADHOUSE            1265 NW LAMONTA RD            PRINEVILLE</p>

*"Promoting Responsible Alcohol Sales and Service"*

*Did you know that in the last two years, the OLCC distributed more than \$397 million to Oregon's General Fund, Cities, Counties, and Drug and Alcohol Abuse Programs?  
[See the distribution of dollars on OLCC's Website.](#)*

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