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OLCC and bar staff prevent 17-year-old Medford girl from entering Portland nightclub

Portland, OR –An Oregon Liquor Control Commission inspector in cooperation with bar security staff prevented an intoxicated 17-year-old female from entering the Barrel Room in Portland’s Entertainment District.

When the OLCC inspector responded to call from bar personnel about a possible fake ID, he discovered that the 17-year-old was far away from her southern Oregon home. She had a blood alcohol content of .187, more than twice the legal limit for an adult 21 or over. The juvenile was taken into protective custody and later diagnosed with acute alcohol consumption at Legacy Randall Hospital.

“Alcohol can fuel a variety of problems and creates unnecessary risks for teens,” says John Eckhart, OLCC Public Safety Director. “Being alone and so far away from home makes the risks even greater. We’re very thankful for our partnership with security staff so that we can help keep kids like this girl from getting into serious problems.”

The OLCC inspector released the minor to a local juvenile shelter for protective custody.

OLCC inspectors work routinely with Portland Police, bouncers, and security in downtown Portland in an effort to keep alcohol out of the hands of minors.

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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