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### **Oregonians offered opportunity to provide input on DUII laws**

Would you like to see changes in Oregon's laws related to driving under the influence? Well, now is your opportunity to share your ideas. The Governor's Advisory Committee on Driving Under the Influence of Intoxicants and the Oregon Department of Transportation are hosting a public forum to discuss legislative concepts for the 2009 Oregon legislative session. The forum is from 9 to 11:30 a.m. on Dec. 14, at George Fox University's Portland Center Campus, 12753 SW 68th Avenue in Tigard.

The purpose of the forum is to allow anyone who has an interest in DUII laws to share ideas with the Governor's Advisory Committee on DUII. The committee will take the issues raised at the forum into consideration as it formulates concepts to bring forward during the 2009 legislative session.

"Our entire meeting will be devoted to this open forum discussion," said Governor's Advisory Committee on DUII Chairperson Chuck Hayes. "We look forward to hearing everyone's ideas."

The Governor's Advisory Committee on DUII advises the Governor, ODOT's Transportation Safety Division and the Governor's Highway Safety Representative on impaired driving related issues. The committee works to heighten awareness of the seriousness of the impaired driving problem, persuade communities to attack the problem in an organized and systematic manner and generate support for increased enforcement of state impaired driving laws. They have also been instrumental in developing many of the state's current impaired driving laws.

Those that cannot attend the forum but would like to provide input may send comments to –

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Accommodations will be provided to persons with disabilities. Alternate formats are available upon request. To request a sign language interpreter, please call (503) 986-4188 at least 48 hours prior to the meeting.

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