

**SB 116 Explanation**

**Rule Language:** It is unlawful for a private security provider or an entity that employs private security providers to possess or use in the scope of employment equipment, vehicles, uniforms, or titles that imply that the provider or entity is affiliated with a public or private safety agency as defined in ORS 181A.355.

ORS 181A.355 (15) “Public or private safety agency” means a unit of state or local government, a special purpose district or a private firm that provides, or has authority to provide, firefighting, police, ambulance, or emergency medical services.

**What does this mean?**

Private Security **uniforms or vehicles** may not resemble a law enforcement uniform or vehicles in style or color *unless* the uniform or vehicles prominently displays the word “security.”

Uniform resembled a law enforcement uniform in style or color.



Must display “**security**”.


Vehicle resembled a law enforcement vehicle in style or color.



Must display “**security**” on **front, rear, and sides of the vehicle.**

Uniforms or vehicles that **DO NOT** resemble a law enforcement officer uniform or vehicle are **NOT** required to display the word “security”. Examples would be a Toyota Prius or a red polo shirt.

Private security **vehicles and uniforms** may not display a prohibited title.

<b>Prohibited Titles</b>	
	<p>The rule states <b>titles</b> commonly used by private or public safety agencies to identify a law enforcement officer may not be used to identify a private security provider.</p> <p>This does not apply to the use of “security officer” or the use of rank structure titles such as “sergeant,” “lieutenant,” or “chief.”</p> <p>“Security” may be used in combination with other private security terms such as, but not limited to, “private security,” “security officer,” or “security guard.”</p>