

OREGON STATE BAR
LEGISLATIVE PROPOSAL
Instructions

The Public Affairs Committee encourages your bar group to be involved in the legislative process. During the legislative session, we encourage sections and committees to provide technical analysis on key bills relating to their particular areas of expertise. This includes reviewing proposed legislation or amendments for internal consistency and consistency with existing law, suggesting technical changes to better address the intent of the drafters, and preparing summaries and commentaries. Assistance from bar groups is valuable to legislators; the analysis is more objective than comments from proponents or opponents of a bill.

Please submit your request on this form to the Public Affairs Committee at pubaff@osbar.org. See *OSB Bylaws, Chapter 12, Legislation and Public Policy*.

Two of the main criteria for Public Affairs Committee approval of a section or committee proposal are (1) whether the proposal represents a consensus of the interests within a particular group, and (2) whether the proposal is a balanced public interest response to the issues at hand. Once approved, the section or committee is responsible for presenting its position or testimony on that bill.

Legislative contacts for sections and committees are responsible for lobbying section and committee law improvement bills through the process. Public Affairs staff assist sections and committees by notifying the legislative liaison of upcoming hearings, sending updates on the status of legislation, assisting in preparing for and giving testimony before a committee, acquainting legislators and staff with proposals, and dealing with technical aspects of the legislative process.

If you have questions or need information, feel free to contact program staff directly at 1-800-452-8260 or 503-620-0222, Susan Grabe, ext. 380; Amy Zubko, ext. 317; or Matt Shields, ext. 358. Please let us know if your committee or section has specific needs or requests. We look forward to working with you.

Law Improvement Proposal form begins on the next page. Click on the shaded area to fill in your response.

**2021 OREGON STATE BAR
LEGISLATIVE PROPOSAL
Part I – Legislative Summary**

Re:

Submitted by:

Legislative Contact(s):

Phone:

E-mail:

1. Does this amend current law or program? Yes No Specify

2. PROBLEM PRESENTED (including level of severity):

3. SOLUTION:

4. PUBLIC POLICY IMPLICATION of this proposed legislative change:

5. Could the problem be addressed through a NON-LEGISLATIVE SOLUTION, such as administrative rule or education?

6. COULD ANOTHER SECTION OR GROUP MORE APPROPRIATELY INTRODUCE THE BILL? If so, have you suggested it to the section or group?

7. IDENTIFY THE GROUP OF CONSTITUENCIES THAT WOULD BE MOST IMPACTED or interested in this change. Who would support it and who would oppose it?

8. Has this been introduced in a prior session? Year Bill#

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Part II – Legislative Language**

Please provide your legislative language below: