



February 20, 2025

Chair Floyd Prozanski
Senate Committee on Judiciary
Oregon State Senate
Salem, OR 97301

Re: Senate Bill 959

Dear Chair Prozanski and members of the Senate Judiciary Committee:

The Security Industry Association (SIA) is a non-profit trade association representing security solution providers, with over 1,500 innovative member companies and thousands of safety and security leaders in Oregon and throughout the U.S.

First, we would like to thank Senator Prozanski for introducing SB 959, and we urge you to support its passage. This legislation is critical for protecting security and life safety devices that consumers depend on..

Oregon, like the rest of the country, has recently experienced sophisticated robberies of banks and ATMs¹ as well as an increase in burglaries targeting businesses, homes, and places of worship². Additionally, there has been a high-profile string of robberies of professional athletes nationwide³. One thing is common among all these events, and it is the use of signal jamming devices also called "wifi jammers".

While these burglary tools are already illegal at the federal level, it is vital Oregon reinforces the policy to better deter their usage by ensuring they are illegal under state law as well

Additionally, SB 959 protects the integrity of security and life safety devices by making it less likely for those systems to be made vulnerable through abuse of the state's Right to Repair law by bad actors. Notably, Repair.org, the coalition supporting efforts to enact such laws nationwide, recently updated to their model legislation to similarly exclude security and life safety devices.

Please support the passage of SB 959 to deter criminals and maintain the high integrity of citizen's home and commercial security equipment.

¹ <https://www.oregonlive.com/crime/2024/11/sophisticated-thieves-accused-in-7-state-spree-of-bank-atm-robberies-rented-airbnbs-in-oregon-feds-say.html>

² <https://abcnews.go.com/US/burglaries-targeting-asian-businesses-homes-rise-nationwide/story?id=116719556>

³ <https://www.oregonlive.com/nation/2025/02/some-arrests-made-in-burglaries-targeting-nfl-nba-players-across-the-country.html>

Feel free to reach out with any questions.

Thank you,

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