Office of the Governor State of Oregon



EXECUTIVE ORDER NO. 05 - 07

AUTHORIZATION FOR THE OREGON STATE FAIR AND EXPOSITION CENTER TO LAW ENFORCEMENT DATA SYSTEM

ORS 181.010(6) and OAR 257-010-0025(1)(b) authorize the Governor to allow Law Enforcement Data System access to designated state and local agencies which require such information "for agency employment purposes, licensing purposes or other demonstrated needs when designated by order of the Governor." Executive Order No. 90-05 grants such access to a number of state agencies and establishes the conditions under which such access is authorized. Subsequent Executive Orders have authorized additional state agencies to access such information for various purposes.

The Oregon State Fair and Exposition Center (the "State Fair") has requested access to the Oregon State Police criminal offender information system for the purpose of conducting background investigations on prospective employees where the protection of public safety or State Fair funds or assets makes such investigations advisable.

Enrolled House Bill 2157, signed by the Governor on August 17, 2005, establishes new authority and procedures through which state agencies may obtain criminal records information regarding prospective employees. HB 2157 requires that state agencies adopt certain rules regarding such background checks. Because HB 2157 was signed by the Governor less than one week before the date of this Executive Order, and because of the impending commencement of the fair, it is not practicable for the State Fair to adopt the necessary rules to utilize the procedures established under HB 2157 prior to the beginning of the fair. HB 2157 does not affect the pre-existing authority of the Governor to designate state agencies as "designated agencies" authorized to receive criminal offender information for employment purposes. Therefore, this Executive Order is issued for the limited purpose and for the limited time stated herein so that necessary background checks can be conducted before commencement of the fair, as allowed by HB 2157 and pre-existing law.

THEREFORE, IT IS ORDERED AND DIRECTED:

Pursuant to ORS 181.010(6) and OAR 257-010-0025(1)(B), I hereby authorize the
Oregon State Police to provide the State Fair with access to the Oregon State Police
criminal offender information system solely for the purpose of conducting
background investigations on prospective employees for those positions where the
State Fair concludes that protection of public safety or State Fair funds or assets
makes such investigations advisable.

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- Executive Order No. 90-05, and all other applicable law, continue to govern the
 compilation, maintenance, and dissemination of criminal offender information as
 defined in ORS 181.010(3), and govern the access to the Oregon State Police criminal
 offender information system authorized by this Order.
- 3. This Order is effective immediately and expires September 30, 2005.

Done at Salem, Oregon, this 23rd day of August, 2005.

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ATTEST:

SECRETARY OF STATE

