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Consumer Protection Law Passes Oregon Senate

Senate Bill 256 cracks down on counterfeit airbags putting Oregon consumers in danger

SALEM, Ore - Today, the Oregon State Senate passed [Senate Bill 256](#) with bipartisan support. This bill makes a technical fix to ensure consumers who fall victim to those selling counterfeit airbags have protection under the Unlawful Trade Practices Act.

Senate Bill 256 makes it illegal for someone to knowingly or intentionally make, sell, or install fake car safety parts, like airbags, that don't meet the safety standards set by the federal government for the specific make, model, and year of a vehicle. This bill will protect consumers by ensuring that only genuine and safe car parts are used in vehicles, which helps prevent serious injury and promotes public safety on the roads.

“Counterfeit and nonfunctional car safety components are a danger to us all,” **said the bill’s chief sponsor Senator Chris Gorsek (D - Troutdale)**. “By enforcing strict regulations and holding violators accountable, we are prioritizing the well-being of our communities and promoting responsible business practices.”

Senate Bill 256 now moves to the House of Representatives for consideration.

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