ENGROSSED SENATE
BILL NO. 811

By: Herbert of the Senate

and

Paulk of the House

An Act relating to the Oklahoma Security Guard and Private Investigator Act; amending 59 O.S. 1991, Section 1750.10, as last amended by Section 6, Chapter 226, O.S.L. 1997 (59 O.S. Supp. 1997, Section 1750.10), which relates to prohibition of certain words on badges, uniforms and vehicles; restricting use of uniforms and vehicles similar to those of law enforcement under certain circumstances; authorizing use of similar uniforms and vehicles for certain period of time; and providing an effective date.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF OKLAHOMA:

SECTION 1. AMENDATORY 59 O.S. 1991, Section 1750.10, as last amended by Section 6, Chapter 226, O.S.L. 1997 (59 O.S. Supp. 1997, Section 1750.10), is amended to read as follows:

Section 1750.10 A. 1. The ~~words~~ word "police", "deputy", or "patrolman" shall not be displayed upon any security guard badge~~,~~ or uniform~~, or security vehicle~~. The ~~words~~ word "Security", or the words "Security Officer"~~,~~ or "Security Guard" in conjunction with the ~~agencies'~~ name of the agency shall be displayed on any badge or uniform in bold letters.

2. Uniforms worn by security guards or armed security guards shall not be the same color scheme or design as any uniform worn by a peace officer in the county in which the security guard or armed security guard operates.

B. Vehicles used by security guards, armed security guards, or security agencies shall conform with the following requirements:

1. Shall display the ~~words~~ word "Security"~~,~~ or "Guard", if marked, or both, and the ~~agencies'~~ name of the agency in conspicuous letters~~. No such vehicle shall~~;

2. Shall not display the word "police", "deputy", or "patrolman";

3. Shall not have the same or similar logo as appears on any law enforcement vehicle which is operated by a peace officer in the county in which the security guard, armed security guard, or security agency operates;

4. Shall not use a similar color scheme or graphic design as any marked law enforcement vehicle which is operated by a peace officer in the county in which the security guard, armed security guard, or security agency operates; and

5. Shall not be equipped with a siren, a lamp with a red or blue lens, nor an overhead light or lights with a red or blue lens.

C. No security guard, armed security guard, or security agency shall be required to change the color of a uniform or vehicle or the logo of a vehicle if that color or logo is in use by the security guard, armed security guard, or security agency at the time a law enforcement agency begins to use the same color or same or similar logo.

SECTION 2. This act shall become effective November 1, 1998.

Passed the Senate the 25th day of February, 1998.

President of the Senate

Passed the House of Representatives the ____ day of _____, 1998.

Speaker of the House of Representatives