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*Department of Public Safety and Corrections*  
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Dear Industry Partner,

We respectfully urge your immediate support for HB 71, filed by Rep. Josh Carlson (District 43, Lafayette Parish), at the request of the LSBPSE, which extends existing civil liability protections for concealed carry permit holders to armed private contract security officers registered with the LSBPSE. The bill passed by the Civil Law & Procedures Committee on Monday, April 13, and is headed to the House floor for a vote within days.

Private security officers face real and increasing risks, while insurance costs continue to rise and coverage becomes more difficult to obtain. At the same time, LSBPSE is strengthening the industry through enhanced training standards, continuing education requirements, compliance audits, and increased enforcement partnerships with state agencies, ensuring all personnel are properly trained, vetted, and held accountable.

HB 71 supports current efforts by offering reasonable civil liability protection for security guards who act lawfully and within the scope of their duties to protect human life. It does not protect against misconduct; rather, it aligns the protections for trained security professionals with those already provided to private citizens, bringing much-needed legal clarity. Additionally, insurance providers may consider reducing your general liability insurance premiums once this bill becomes law.

Your voice is critical right now. Please contact your State Representative and Senator as soon as possible and urge them to support HB 71!

Your immediate outreach can make a difference in protecting your business, supporting the industry, and strengthening public safety across Louisiana.

Thank you for your commitment to our common goals and continued partnership.

Respectfully,

Major Carl Saizan (Ret. LSP)  
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