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**Hearing to Discuss Senate Bill-111 Use of Deadly Force By Police Officers Set**

A public hearing to introduce and accept public testimony regarding a new plan to address the use of deadly force by police officers will be held on Tuesday, March 11 at 5:15 p.m. It will take place at the *Marion County Courthouse Square Building, Senator Hearing Room, 555 Court Street, Salem*. Marion County District Attorney Walt Beglau and Marion County Sheriff Russ Isham will chair the meeting.

The plan was called for by the State Legislature -- which in 2007 passed Senate Bill 111, requiring all 36 Oregon counties to develop deadly-force plans. Following its approval by the county, its constituent cities and Oregon Attorney General Hardy Myers, the plan will govern the Sheriff's Office and all city police departments countywide.

In Marion County, the plan builds on existing interagency protocols and procedures. Draft copies of the plan are now available on line for the public to review through the county's website at [www.co.marion.or.us/so/SB111](http://www.co.marion.or.us/so/SB111).

Citizens may share their comments regarding the plan at the hearing, or may deliver their comments in writing *prior to the hearing* to Sheriff Russ Isham, 100 High St. NE, Salem, OR 97301 or via the county website: [www.co.marion.or.us/so/SB111](http://www.co.marion.or.us/so/SB111).

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