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Retinal, Fingerprint & Document Scan Ahead!



Real ID...Real Problem...Real Expensive

Call Your Maine Legislator Right Now! 1- 800- 423- 2900

Ask them to vote **Against LD 2309 Majority Report and
Support LD 2309 *Minority Report* ONTP**

LD 2309 - a bill that makes Mainers less safe, and less free.

What Real ID does:

- Mandates each state create a database without statutory limitations on what information can be placed in the database [ie: in a person's record], including source documents [like birth certificate] (§202(d)(13))
- Mandates each state give every other state “electronic access: to the database without statutory limitations on what information can be shared between states and for what purpose; who else can access the databases [ie: other state agencies, federal agencies, third parties] and for what purposes [§202(d)12]
- Moves states toward digitally copying all highly-sensitive source documents [ie: birth certificates, Social Security Card, passport, utility bill, etc] and housing them in a database without statutory limitations on WHO can access them and for what purposes [§202(d)(2)]
- Mandates states “verify” source documents [birth certificates, etc] without statutory limitations related to the collection and sharing of personal information, by whom and for what purposes [§202(c)(3)(A)]
- Mandates each card have Machine Readable Technology (MRT), without statutory limitations on what information is stored in the Machine Readable Zone (MRZ), who can “skim” information from the MRZ [ie: state agencies, federal agencies, third parties] and for what purposes; **and without statutory security requirements such as encryption** [§202(b)(9)]
- No statutory limitations on “official purpose” [§202(a)(1)]
- No statutory clarity on whether driver's license/ID card number will be unique within a state or across the nation [§202(b)(4)], leading us to a national ID card.

The work session ended with a divided report: 6-4 OTP [Ought to Pass] as amended.

- Roll Call For Bill: Hogan, Browne, Marley, Savage, Diamond, Cebra [Bad]
- Against [Minority Report: ONTP]: Peoples, Theriault, Mazurek, Damon [Good!!]

The amendments changed:

- **The funding mechanism:**

Funding originally came from General Fund and an addition of \$6 to cost of driver's licenses. Instead, there will be nothing from General Fund but **license fees will be raised 50% from \$30 to \$45**. This just covers the first step of instituting Real ID. There will be 3 more stages to reach full compliance with Real ID further raising the cost.

- **Verification**

For identification verification they amended the bill from: facial recognition or similar technology [they felt that was too broad] to **facial recognition or finger printing**. Further, pictures are taken and archived even if you don't go through the full process and get a license!!

It still forces us to be part of the **SAVE program** and be assimilated into the federal data base[s]. <http://epic.org/privacy/surveillance/spotlight/0407/default.html>

Legal Presence Requirement: One argument for passing this Real ID bill is to assure than anyone getting a driver's license in Maine lives in the state. For many people in the state and responding to press articles this is a major reason to pass Real ID. However, last Friday the House passed LD 2304: An Act to Require That a Person Be a Maine Resident in Order to Be Issued a Maine Driver's License almost unanimously [126-1] thereby making passing Real ID, for those reasons, moot.

From ACLU: Real ID would become a key infrastructure for, and dramatically accelerate, the [surveillance society](#) that is already being constructed in the United States. Once put in place, it would be used more and more for the routine tracking, monitoring, and regulation of individuals' movements and activities, it would be exploited by the private sector, and it would expose individuals to greater risk of identity theft and other security risks.

Links to information, broad based coalitions, etc:

<http://privacycoalition.org/stoprealid/>

www.realnightmare.org ACLU

<http://www.cato.org/tech/tk/071008-tk.html> [Cato Institute]

http://www.aclu.org/images/general/asset_upload_file162_33700.pdf

<http://www.npr.org/templates/story/story.php?storyId=87991791> [Montana Gov. Says NO!]

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