

TBK LEGISLATIVE ALERT

OPPOSE REAL ID/SB 245

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We are making progress, this issue is galvanizing people, and casting doubts in the legislature! We have to act now, we have to double down! Your Liberties are being directly threatened by REAL ID and SB 245. This bill will be considered tomorrow in the Senate Transportation Committee. We have to melt the phone lines and email servers in Frankfort. Put shoe leather to ground and go talk to legislators. **Calls, emails, and letters are good, BUT a face to face meeting is most effective.** This is a MEGA Alert and we have a lot of action items for you to do. Let's shut Frankfort Down!

CALL GOVERNOR BEVIN

502-564-2611

Tell Governor Bevin to be against REAL ID and SB 245. He was elected as a Liberty oriented Republican, and with the 4th Amendment Violations REAL ID would create, passage and signing this bill into law would definitely damage his reputation as a Champion of Liberty.

Further tell Governor Bevin we do not need to take our marching orders from a Beshear appointee in Commissioner Kuhl (pronounced cool) of the Transportation Cabinet's Department of Motor Vehicle Regulation.

CALL COMMISSIONER KUHL

502-564-7000

Apparently Commissioner Kuhl thinks since he hasn't received any opposition calls on this then it is ok, even if the Senators tell him otherwise. Let him know his job is on the line if he forces SB 245 on the citizens of Kentucky. Give him the REAL Facts about REAL ID, since it seems he is only being spoon-fed what DHS is giving him.

CALL KYTC ACTING SECRETARY GREG THOMAS

502-564-5102

Governor Bevin has recently appointed Greg Thomas to be the acting Secretary of the KYTC. Considering his recent appointment he may not be fully apprised of the issues surrounding REAL ID and SB 245, so call him and let him know your concerns.

CALL SENATOR RAND PAUL - KY OFFICE: 270-782-8303 - D.C. OFFICE: 202-224-4343

Recently during his town halls the Senator conducted across the state he said he was opposed to REAL ID and would co-sponsor legislation repealing it. S.2440 is legislation filed by Sen. Daines of Montana to repeal REAL ID, tell Senator Paul to co-sponsor that legislation.

CALL REP. THOMAS MASSIE - KY OFFICE: 859-426-0080 - D.C. OFFICE 202-225-3465

Rep. Thomas Massie (4th CD) is a consistent voice for Liberty and the Constitution in Washington D.C. and we may very well need his voice on this issue here in Kentucky. Request he co-sponsor HR 4375 to repeal REAL ID, as well as make him aware of SB 245.

CALL KENTUCKY ATTORNEY GENERAL ANDY BESHEAR

502-696-5300

Kentucky is not the only state not compliant with REAL ID (one reason DHS keeps pushing the enforcement date back). We need to see if we can our AG can reach out to those states and start a lawsuit against the Federal Government much like others did against Obamacare. We may actually have a friendly AG on this issue as this is an issue that rallies conservatives and liberals together as the ACLU is also against REAL ID.

CALL SENATE TRANSPORTATION COMMITTEE MEMBERS

1-800-372-7181

The Senators, even the sponsor seemed unsure of SB 245 with all the calls you gave them last week, but if we let up they will too. We need to come back with more information and questions for them to ask. Here are a list of some things you can do to help them. We would suggest leaving a brief message against REAL ID/SB 245 with some new information, but email the questions/solutions/reminders below for them to ask in the hearing or a variation of them if you are comfortable creating your own comments and questions. Emails also provided below.

Questions:

- Why this bill would allow sharing of information with not only with other state governments and the federal government, but also national and regional associations as well as businesses?
- If it is supposed to go to a third party vendor as the "business" the information is shared with, then why is that language not in bill instead of a blanket sharing of information with businesses?
- Who is the third party vendor? Is there more than one? If only one, what guarantee do we have they won't jack up the price of doing business?
- Why would we be giving citizen information to national and regional associations?
- Who are these national and regional associations, and do the boundaries of these associations extend beyond the U.S? If they currently do not, what guarantees they won't?
- Why does SB 245 create the mechanism for illegal immigrants to obtain an ID with less stringent requirements than actual citizens? (see page 20 of the bill)
- After we take this first step, how can we guarantee REAL ID regulations won't change at the Federal level?
- Given the Global Scope of REAL ID (unlike Social Security Numbers) and internationally interoperable programs, can you guarantee the Religious Liberties of Christians that would deem this the precursor to the Mark of the Beast found in Revelation? Are you willing to violate the 1st Amendment for an identification program?
- What security measures will be taken to ensure protection of citizen's information?
- How is this supposed to stop terrorism when the Federal Government can't even do it with the NSA Spying on everyone?
- Should there not be an appropriations measure for this bill, and if so why is there not a House version?
- ***How do they plan to verify birth certificates, so far no state trying to comply with REAL ID has accomplished this, Virginia is the only state to even make a good attempt at accomplishing this requirement? New Question***

Solutions:

- Can we get a two tiered system for those that choose not to participate on the grounds of 4th and 1st Amendment Concerns?

- Can we create a task force to study how to make the public aware of the pending changes to air travel and the possible solutions such as a passport card for domestic travel and to Canada and Mexico?
- Could we have the Kentucky Attorney General contact other state Attorney Generals of states who are not compliant, and start a lawsuit against the Federal Government much like states did against Obamacare?

Reminders:

- DHS will not start enforcing for air travel until Jan 2018 (a date that has continually been pushed back), so in this first year of this legislation with all the concerns would it not be prudent to study the issue?
- Should we not wait and see what action is taken at the Federal Level with REAL ID Repeal Legislation S.2440?
- This is supposedly a voluntary program the Federal Government is using for air travel. Much like Virginia has ended conceal carry reciprocity, why is Kentucky responsible for the Federal Government is rescinding reciprocity?
- Is the Federal Government going to blackmail Kentucky by withholding Federal funds for transportation if we do not adopt REAL ID?

Here are the emails of the members of the Senate Transportation Committee

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CALL LEADERSHIP AND YOUR LEGISLATOR

1-800-372-7181

Let Senate Leadership and Your Senator know your opposition to SB 245 and REAL ID. Unfortunately this bill may pass the Senate, so we need to start calling House Leadership, Your Representative, as well as members of the House Transportation Committee and tell them about your opposition too.

MEDIA & AWARENESS

Contact media: Local News, Local Talk Radio, Write an Editorial in your local paper. Share our information on REAL ID on Facebook and Twitter. Talk to family and friends let them know what is going on and how this is going to affect them.

INFORMATION:

Most of our members/subscribers are aware of what REAL ID is at this point, but in case you are not, in brief it is a National ID Card program the Federal Government is trying to get the states to participate in. This card will contain biometric, demographic, personal, and professional information on each and every citizen if the states go along with this. **Further that information will not only be gathered and stored at the state level but shared with the Federal government, other state governments, national and regional associations, businesses, and is completely compatible with international identification standards of the UN.** The regulations for REAL ID are formulated by UN Affiliated organizations and international organizations such as the International Civil Aviation Organization (ICAO) or American Association of Motor Vehicle Administrators (AAMVA), and DHS

through the Notice of Proposed Rule Making (NPRM). With this information being shareable globally, this will not only give the government a mechanism to know everything about you and gather more information (4th Amendment violation), but it would also allow for the tracking of all citizens with the inclusion of Biometrics (another 4th Amendment violation). What makes this even more absurd is there will be a process for allowing Illegal Immigrants to gain an ID card, but it won't be subject to the same strenuous requirements citizens are.

We understand this is a lot to take in, but we encourage everyone to study this and take action.

1. If you want more information on Biometrics and REAL ID we suggest you go to the [Constitutional Alliance's Biometric Fact Sheet](#), they have on staff a man by the name of Mark Lerner who is an expert from the Biometrics Industry. All his information is cited.
2. Check out our [REAL ID Update](#) on the KY Senate Transportation Hearing on Wednesday of last week.
3. You should also verify all that we are telling you by looking up [SB 245](#) and examine it for yourself.

CONCERNS ABOUT THE HEARING

Some Grassroots Activists that have been dealing with legislators on this inform us there may be a committee sub to allow a 2-tiered system for those that want to opt out. The question is will the information on the DL's that opted out be subject to different storage and sharing requirements, and if so what are the details of those requirements, and will they ever be merged?

HOW MUCH WILL REAL ID COST KENTUCKY?

The costs of this program has yet to be determined or offered by KYTC. But this is not as simple as a new card and a small price increase.

Check out some of the items that will cost Kentucky unknown amount of funds.

[The "Bill" for REAL ID SB 245](#) leaves a lot of questions.

Back in 2007 West Virginia was in the process of making the transition to REAL ID. Here is the story about [how much this could have cost West Virginians to get a new DL](#). \$100 for the license and \$60-\$100 Million in cost to the state.

In 2007 the cost (not the price charged for an ID to citizens) in the [United Kingdom](#) came to £100 which back then was \$195. The UK is further along in passing having an International Interoperable ID than the US.

Oklahoma is working on a disastrous bill just like Kentucky and their ESTIMATED Costs are [\\$13 Million](#). Oklahoma is similar to Kentucky in Population so this may be close guess as to what it may cost in Kentucky to start this program.

The costs in America are based on DHS not changing the requirement to have RFID chips in them like they already do in the UK.

KENTUCKIANS ARE NOT PRODUCTS TO BE SCANNED BY THE GOVERNMENT.

WE ARE CITIZENS, AND WE HAVE RIGHTS!