



Hundredth Legislature - First Session - 2007
Introducer's Statement of Intent
LR 28

Chairperson: Deb Fischer
Committee: Transportation and Telecommunications
Date of Hearing: February 26, 2007

The following constitutes the reasons for this bill and the purposes which are sought to be accomplished thereby:

In May of 2005 the United States Congress enacted the REAL ID Act, which requires certain state standards and procedures for issuing drivers licenses and identification cards if they are to be accepted as identity documents by the federal government. As passed, the act will have a wide-reaching impact on citizens and states because it will require changes to all 240 million existing licenses and ID's, and alter the business practices of every state motor vehicle agency. The Nebraska DMV has estimated the state's cost in implementing the act to be \$26 million. The act has an effective date of May 11, 2008.

LR 28 memorializes Congress to repeal the REAL ID Act to avoid the significant problems it currently poses to state sovereignty and individual liberty.

Principal Introducer: _____
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