



April 23, 2025

President Donald J. Trump
The White House
1600 Pennsylvania Ave. NW
Washington, DC 20500

RE: Rescinding REAL ID Rules: TSA's "Progressive Enforcement" Rule (Issued Jan. 14, 2025) and DHS's "Minimum Standards for Driver's Licenses and Identification Cards Acceptable by Federal Agencies for Official Purposes" Rule (Issued Jan. 29, 2008)

Dear Mr. President,

Congratulations once again on your election and thank you for your great work in these first months of your second term. We are pleased with your relentless efforts to Make America Great Again and free again.

Citizens' Council for Health Freedom has a mission to protect patient and doctor freedom. For decades, that mission has included the protection of privacy rights, the foundation of freedom.

We worked directly with your Administration to secure freedom for seniors in the Social Security and Medicare programs. After numerous meetings at HHS, the Eisenhower Executive Office Building, and the White House, you included our language to separate Medicare from Social Security in your Executive Order 13890 in October of 2019. Thank you again!

As you may know, TSA (and DHS) [released](#) a [final](#) REAL ID rule on Tuesday, January 14, 2025. The final rule (as written by the Biden Administration):

- Maintains the May 7, 2025 deadline for individual ("card-based") compliance.
- Authorizes "progressive enforcement" (including "three strikes" system) for two years.
- Sets May 5, 2027 as the date by which full compliance of Americans is expected.

The REAL ID is a violation of the inalienable, God-given, and Constitution-protected right of Americans to be free from federal encroachment, overreach, and unconstitutional controls. In short: The REAL ID Act of 2005 is a federal government takeover of the lives of Americans.

As stated by **U.S. Senator Lamar Alexander** during the 2005 Senate floor debate on REAL ID:

"This really is a National Identification card for the United States of America for the first time in our history. We've never done this before, and we shouldn't be doing it without a full debate... I'm very, very reluctant for this country to have a National ID card . . ."

That debate never took place.

REQUEST #1: We are asking you to direct Secretary Kristi Noem of Homeland Security, to rescind this recent rule. REAL ID is unconstitutional, and a National ID will not keep us safe or secure. It is a threat to the security and autonomy of every American. REAL ID is also a violation of States' rights – the rights that protect the constitutional rights of every individual against an overreaching federal government.

REQUEST #2: In the same spirit of protecting States' rights and Americans' privacy rights, we are also requesting that you direct Secretary Noem to rescind the January 29, 2008 DHS rule: "[Minimum Standards for Driver's Licenses and Identification Cards Acceptable by Federal Agencies for Official Purposes](#)" and end the unconstitutional federal overreach of the REAL ID program altogether.

Our organization is leading the opposition to REAL ID nationwide, providing education and encouraging Americans not to comply with this violation of their 4th and 10th Amendment rights. Furthermore, we are working to stop the government's move to digitize the REAL ID, embed it on the smartphones of Americans, and secure remote, real-time access to the credential.

In October, we secured more than **31,000 public comments** against the TSA's proposed "progressive enforcement" REAL ID rule, issued September 12, 2024.

We need your leadership to stop REAL ID in its tracks and end this unconstitutional power grab once and for all.

CCHF would be pleased to work with you to bring the necessary attention (and truth) to this critical issue.

I can be reached directly at twila@cchfreedom.org or 612-619-1889. The CCHF office number is 651-646-8935 or info@cchfreedom.org.

Sincerely,



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ENCLOSURES: *CCHF Comment Against Proposed REAL ID Rule, 10/1/24*