

REAL ID Act

What does it mean for Virginia?

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Background

- ❑ Signed into law on May 11, 2005
- ❑ Intent: ID security; anti-terrorism
- ❑ States have the option to not comply
- ❑ Effective May 11, 2008, federal agencies cannot accept state-issued credentials from states not in compliance with REAL ID requirements.
- ❑ Federal funds not dedicated

Requirements

- ❑ Verify with the issuing entity all customer source documents
- ❑ Scan and store all source documents
- ❑ Exchange data among motor vehicle agencies
- ❑ Meet minimum credential standards
- ❑ Display “temporary” legal presence status on licenses and ID cards

Requirements

- Limit validity period to 8 years
- Ensure physical security of document production sites
- Conduct security background checks for employees
- Conduct fraudulent document recognition training
- Indicate non-compliant credentials

Impacts

- ❑ Dramatically changes DMV service model
 - Document verification, scanning and storage
 - Electronic data exchanges that currently do not exist
- ❑ Eliminates alternative service options for at least five years; 1M more customers in CSCs annually
- ❑ Increases privacy concerns of customers
- ❑ Creates need for extensive public awareness

Actions To-Date

□ Real ID Task Force Report, December 2005

Recommendations:

- Extend implementation deadline
- Aggressively seek federal funding
- Offer Virginians a choice between compliant and non-compliant credentials
- Advocate for grandfathering and/or pre-screening for existing credential holders
- Amend address requirement to accommodate display of non-residential address
- Encourage discreet “temporary” indicator
- Avoid regulating acceptable documents lists

Actions To-Date

- ❑ Preparing follow up study, December 2006
- ❑ Participating in AAMVA REAL ID working groups
- ❑ Preparing to centralize driver's license and ID card issuance
- ❑ Redesigning outdated systems
 - Replacing "green screens" with PCs in all CSCs
 - Attaching scanners to the new CSC PCs
 - Increasing bandwidth to accommodate additional workflow
 - Systems Redesign
 - Closely monitoring vendor solution activity

Actions To-Date

- Preparing data cleansing strategies

- NGA, NCSL, AAMVA working with DHS
 - Providing regulations input
 - Surveying states

Proposed Approach

- ❑ Adopt two-step issuance process
- ❑ Staff a centralized document verification unit
- ❑ Extend credential validity period to 8 years
- ❑ Shift agency workload
 - Migrate vehicle work to DMV Selects
 - Renew vehicle registrations through alternative services
- ❑ Conduct extensive change management and public awareness campaigns
- ❑ Consider issuing non-compliant driver's licenses and compliant ID cards

Other Issues

- ❑ No federal regulations yet
- ❑ Contingent upon scope of change required by regulations, the proposed approach and actual costs could substantially change
- ❑ Unrealistic implementation deadline
- ❑ Growth in Virginia population will require additional resources