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Dear Representative,

We need your help!

On Wednesday, Rep. Paul Wesselhoft will move to override Gov. Henry's veto of HB 2569. HB 2569 is a bill that will prohibit the Oklahoma Department of Public Safety from imbedding, affixing, adhering or assigning any radio frequency identification (RFID) tag to any driver license or identification card. Maintaining the privacy of all Oklahomans should be a top priority of all members regardless of political affiliation. This is an opportunity for all sides to join together on an essential civil liberties issue. If this bill becomes law, then important private information such as medical records that can be contained on an RFID chip will be prohibited from being placed on a person's driver's license.

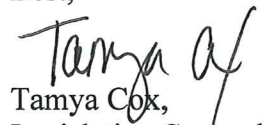
This concept of an RFID chip being imbedded into a driver's license was introduced during the Bush Administration back in 2005 with the enactment of the REAL ID Act. The REAL ID Act is an unfunded mandate that if accepted and carried out by the states would turn state driver's licenses into a genuine national identity card and impose numerous new burdens on taxpayers, citizens, immigrants, and state governments. In 2007, the Oklahoma Legislature bravely passed and Gov. Henry signed into law SB 464 that prohibited participation of implementing the REAL ID Act of 2005.

Currently, the Oklahoma Department of Public Safety is not affixing any RFID chips to driver's licenses, but we need this important piece of legislation to guard against an unnecessary invasion of privacy.

**Please vote to override Gov. Henry's veto on HB 2569.**

For additional information on the REAL ID Act, please visit [www.realnighmare.org](http://www.realnighmare.org). If you have any question, please do not hesitate to contact me at (405) 525-3831 or [tcox@acluok.org](mailto:tcox@acluok.org).

Best,

  
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