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Subject: Re: [EXTERNAL] Re: Transportation Interim Committee Seeking Public Comment
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One last thought occurred to me after I read through the draft. What happens if a person needs (wants) a Real ID but for whatever reason - age/mental/physical handicaps - cannot get the actual license. Is that person given a Real ID identification card or referred to a Passport Agent?

Thank you again for your time Sonja!

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On Wednesday, July 1, 2020, 04:57:05 PM MDT, Nowakowski, Sonja <snowakowski@mt.gov> wrote:

Hi Tammi,

Thanks for the comments. I will make sure that is shared with the committee members.

Much appreciated,

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Hi Sonja -

I think it needs to be clear to the public that **not both** the State Real ID and the Passport are required for domestic travel. We are getting several people in our courthouse applying for both as rumors are circulating that a passport/passport card are not sufficient and they can be ticketed without the Real ID driver's license. This creates, obviously, an unnecessary monetary burden for the citizens of our county.

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On Wednesday, July 1, 2020, 04:47:29 PM MDT, Sonja Nowakowski <snowakowski@mt.gov> wrote:

You are receiving this email as a subscriber to the Transportation Interim Committee email list.

Public comment is invited on proposed draft legislation updating Montana laws implementing the federal REAL-ID program.

The Transportation Interim Committee (TIC) of the Legislature met June 22 and requested draft legislation be prepared and posted for public comment.

The TIC proposes draft legislation allowing the Department of Justice (DOJ) to adopt rules to provide fee waivers. The draft also clarifies Montana's DOJ will offer REAL-ID services; however, it remains up to individuals whether to acquire the credentials. The committee requests specific comment on:

- [PD 0001: Revising State Compliance with the Federal REAL ID Act of 2005](#)

On March 26 President Trump announced that the October 1, 2020, REAL ID enforcement date was postponed. With the extension, federal agencies and the Transportation Security Administration will continue to accept valid Montana driver licenses and ID cards to board domestic commercial flights and access secure federal facilities until October 1, 2021.

Public comments should be submitted by **July 24** to Sonja Nowakowski, TIC staff, at snowakowski@mt.gov (put REAL-ID in the subject line) or to Legislative Services Division, Attn. Sonja Nowakowski, P.O. Box 201704, Helena, MT 59620-1704.

The TIC meets August 17 to review and discuss the public comments and the draft

legislation. The committee will then determine how to amend the draft and whether it should be brought before the 2021 Legislature. Staff will compile comments received by **5 p.m. on July 24** and provide them to the committee in advance of the meeting.

If you have difficulty opening the documents linked above or submitting your comments, please contact Sonja Nowakowski at (406)-444-3078.

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