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THE INFORMATION ON THIS FORM IS PUBLIC RECORD UNDER CHAPTER 610, RSMo. Absolutely!! The integrity of this State of Missouri MUST be protected. Our elections are 'THE' way we choose the best a candidate and proposal for our state government. Please support this bill and push it through committee.



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This is so obviously a bill that should be passed! Great job MO!!!! It should be done nation wide. Such a simple practical solution to real problems. Not only will it help prevent voter fraud it will also help citizens hiring folks know they are hiring people that are legal to work in the USA.



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I SUPPORT HB 1413. Election integrity is extremely important, and it's currently way too easy for illegal immigrants to vote in our elections. If passed, this bill would strengthen the integrity of Missouri elections. This bill will very likely prevent a lot of voter fraud. A secondary benefit of this bill, would be that it would further discourage illegal immigrants from coming to Missouri due to the fact that they wouldn't be able to fly under the radar as easily. This bill would likely also make it easier for employers to determine if someone is a USA citizen or not during consideration for employment. My only problem with this bill is I would rather the state legislature establish criteria for establishing citizen status and a procedure for verifying such status, than the Department Of Revenue in conjunction with the Department of State.



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Dear Honorable Committee Members, My name is Amanda Welker and I am a concerned resident of Missouri. I am testifying in opposition to HB 1413.I have close friends who have legally immigrated to the United States who are undergoing and have undergone the process to obtain a green card. As they go through the process, hopeful to one day obtain citizenship, my friends abide by the laws of the land and have assimilated to United States culture. I think of how HB 1413 has the potential to create a larger wedge between them and US citizens for no legitimate reason. When I think about how HB 1413 may affect my friends, I think about how HB 1413 promotes racial profiling. Marking the citizenship status on a driver's license introduces the opportunity for discriminatory behavior against immigrants. Local and state law enforcement have no legitimate reason to question the citizenship status of drivers, and such a marking that calls attention to their status will only exacerbate the anxiety and fear that immigrants already feel in Missouri. Additionally, HB 1413 is not necessary because immigrants who lack legal proof of residency are already unable to obtain a Missouri driver's license. Investigations into voter fraud by noncitizens have repeatedly found no evidence that systematic voter fraud by noncitizens occurs. For these reasons, I urge the members of this committee to oppose HB 1413. Your consideration of these matters and solutions is very much appreciated.Respectfully,Amanda Welker



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I am Opposed to this Bill. We have a lot of current "Checks & Balances" in our Election Voting System. What is next to be placed on your Driver's License or State Identification, your Religion, Your favorite Football Team and more? The cost to implement and Operate this new Rule by the Missouri Department of Revenue is a waste of Our Taxes. What is next Mr. Stacy? Are you going to tattoo My Voter Registration Number onto my arm, on to my forehead and on my rear-end? When will you STOP the "Conspiracy Theories?" We in Missouri deserve Better Mr. Stacy. Stop attacking the integrity of Our Elections without proof, facts and verified information. Just STOP!



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Dear Honorable Committee Members, I appreciate the opportunity to be able to present testimony. I am a Co-Director of the Inter-Faith Committee on Latin America (IFCLA), an organization that has worked alongside immigrants and their families for more than 40 years, supporting their work for full inclusion in Missouri life. On behalf of IFCLA and the individuals and congregations we represent, I urge this committee to reject HB 1413. As can be seen throughout history, identifying markers, such as those written in HB 1413, are rarely isolated acts. They are often part of a series of xenophobic measures designed to segregate one group of people from the rest of the population and label them as inferior. By marking licenses in this way, HB 1413 would open the door for discriminatory behavior against immigrants. There is no legitimate purpose for state officials and law enforcement to consider the citizenship status of drivers. People who lack proof of legal residency already cannot obtain a Missouri driver's license. Calling out citizenship on driver's licenses will stir up fear and anxiety, and will likely have the perverse effect of putting more unlicensed drivers on the road. Last year, I went to the DMV several times with a friend from Venezuela who was trying to get his driver's license. The process was redundant and demeaning. Why are you trying to make the process even more challenging for immigrants? Why are you trying to disincentivize people from getting a state ID? It is clear that HB 1413 would only serve to reduce public safety by discouraging people from getting licensed. I imagine claims of voter fraud will be used to justify this unnecessary and hurtful bill, and so it is important to note that instances of non-citizens registering to vote are exceedingly rare. Instances of non-citizens registering to vote are more rare than death by lightning. Repeated investigations over the years have found no indication that systematic vote fraud by non-citizens is anything other than the product of overactive imaginations.HB 1413 is yet another attempt to increase fear and anxiety among the immigrant community. Rather than sacrificing our humanity for political gain, you should be taking measures to ensure that we all feel safe and have the chance to thrive in the state we call home.Please reach out if you have any questions or if you would like to talk further. Thank you for your time, Gabby Eissner Co-Director and Community Organizer Inter-Faith Committee on Latin America (IFCLA)



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To: Special Committee on Homeland SecurityFrom; Jessica Trout, Member of Missouri ID Access CoalitionRe: Opposition to HB 1413Date: January 29, 2024Dear Committee Members, My name is Jessica Trout. I am part of the Missouri ID Access Coalition. I urge this committee to reject HB 1413. The Missouri State ID Access Coalition recognizes the necessity of a state-issued photo identification card in order to access essential resources and basic services. We are committed to eliminating barriers to official state identification faced by Missouri residents, with a special emphasis on individuals and families experiencing poverty and homelessness. As the coalition works to eliminate barriers to Missouri residents, it is important to point out that this marker would add barriers, rather than eliminate them due to fear. This barrier is unnecessary as IDs are not provided to anyone who cannot prove that they are lawfully present in the United States. According to accepted document information from the Missouri DOR, "Applicants will receive a license, nondriver license, or instruction permit with an expiration date equal to the expiration date of the immigration document (not to exceed the term of the license, nondriver license or permit). Applicants whose immigration documents indicate an expiration date, as "Duration of Stay" will be issued a one-year license, nondriver license, or permit."There are many foreign born people who are lawfully present in the United States that are able to obtain a driver's license or non-driver ID who would be negatively impacted by this law. Immigrants who are lawfully present in Missouri would experience increased fear in applying for an ID and heightened persecution, additional bias and unnecessary scrutiny after obtaining one. This "citizenship marker" would deter highly skilled immigrants including nurses and students, as well as family members of US Citizens who are lawful permanent residents, from establishing residency in Missouri, which would have countless negative impacts on our state's economy, culture and society. It would also harm people such as T and U Visa holders; survivors of human trafficking and those who have been victims of crime and worked with law enforcement. Ultimately, this bill would harm people and the wider communities in Missouri where they live and work. Immigrants and refugees are valuable members of Missouri's communities and deserve to be treated as such. Furthermore, this marker could decrease safety in communities because people who do not have the citizenship markers may be more scared to call the police due to concern that they would be profiled or treated differently despite being lawfully present in the US. Disquising this bill as a tool to enforce federal immigration laws not only violates the US Constitution, which mandates that immigration is a federal issue, but also misrepresents the population this will impact in Missouri. If the hope for this marker is to ensure only US Citizens are voting, it is over regulating a process that already exists. Only US Citizens can vote in US elections, thus, the citizenship marker is unnecessary and would only distract US voters and create more confusion. I believe that the people on your committee want to do what is fair and just. I would urge you to see how unfair and unjust this marker would be, creating undue interrogations of people and additional potential for profiling. Thank you for your time and

consideration.Jessica Trout, MSWConsigned by:Christine Dragonette, Saint Francis Xavier College ChurchSara Ruiz, Executive Director of Ashrei Foundation



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Dear Honorable Committee Members: The ACLU of Missouri (ACLU-MO) submits this testimony in opposition to HB 1413, which requires a special citizenship indicator to be displayed on an individual's identification in order to be allowed to vote. The ACLU-MO is the state affiliate of the national ACLU and works in the courts, legislature, and Missouri communities to defend and preserve the civil rights of individual Missourians. The ACLU-MO opposes Missouri's current voter identification regime and this unnecessary and redundant bill only further restricts otherwise qualified voters from exercising their fundamental rights under the Missouri and U.S. Constitutions. Furthermore, the ACLU-MO opposes this bill as a xenophobic measure that most heavily impacts members of our immigrant communities by introducing a State-sponsored measure of segregation and discrimination. Missouri and Federal statute already require proof of citizenship in order to register to vote, § 115,135 RSMo.: 52 U.S.C. § 10101. Further, it is a crime for an unqualified person to register to vote or to aid such person in registering. § 115.631(17), (18), (21) RSMo. Adding a citizenship identifier to an individual's identification is completely redundant and unnecessary to prevent non-citizens from registering to vote, and as a result, voting. Moreover, this bill includes no consideration for additional funding to the Department of Revenue for implementation or to the Secretary of State's office and local election authorities to prepare to implement the proposed changes. This bill does nothing to prevent illegal registration or voting. Instead, this bill would disenfranchise otherwise qualified voters by requiring the citizenship identifier to vote after July 1, 2031. As stated above, such voters would have already provided proof of citizenship in order to register, yet under this bill they would be required to essentially provide such proof again at the polling place. And for voters who do not possess the requisite identifier on their ID, they - despite being lawfully registered - would be prevented from voting. As a result, this bill impacts populations who have difficulty obtaining or renewing identification, those who do not drive, immigrants, elderly individuals, individuals with disabilities. lowincome voters, and racial and ethnic minorities. The right to vote is fundamental and afforded to all citizens equally, not on the basis of a stamp on their driver's license. This bill is an attack on our right to vote and our democracy. Accordingly, we urge to vote NO on HB 1413. Sincerely, Jonathan Schmid



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I vehemently oppose this proposed bill, which introduces a distinguishing mark on Missouri driver's licenses and nondriver's licenses for United States citizens. Such a requirement not only raises concerns of potential discrimination and stigmatization but also infringes upon the principles of equal protection under the law as enshrined in the Constitution. By mandating a distinguishing mark based solely on citizenship status, the proposed legislation appears to create a two-tiered system of identification, which has the potential to marginalize certain individuals. Furthermore, the requirement that only documents with a United States citizen distinguishing mark will be accepted as a valid form of identification for voting purposes could disproportionately impact certain communities, potentially undermining the fundamental right to vote. This bill, if enacted, may face legal challenges on grounds of constitutional violations, including equal protection and the right to vote without undue burdens.



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This bill would mandate that, beginning July 1, 2025, any Missouri driver's license or nondriver's license will have a distinguishing mark on the front of the license that specifies that the license holder is a citizen and beginning July 1, 2031, only state IDs with the citizenship mark will be allowed as valid photo ID to vote. This adds additional and unnecessary restrictions to the kinds of ID's required to vote. There are thousands of Missouri citizens eligible to vote who currently do not have one of the very limited kinds of ID's needed to vote that are already required, including difficulty in obtaining original documents. The right to vote is a right that is guaranteed by the Missouri Constitution and should not be impeded, especially when there is no reason for this proposed requirement..



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This proposed bill, with its mandate for a distinguishing mark on Missouri driver's licenses and nondriver's licenses for citizens of the United States, raises serious concerns about privacy and the potential for stigmatization. By requiring a visible indicator of citizenship, the legislation not only infringes upon the individual's right to keep personal information private but also risks fostering an atmosphere of divisiveness. The collaboration between the Department of Revenue and the United States Department of State to establish criteria for citizen status and verification procedures may introduce complexities and bureaucratic hurdles, further burdening citizens. Moreover, the stipulation that only documents with a United States citizen distinguishing mark will be accepted as valid identification for voting purposes appears to be an unnecessary and exclusionary measure, potentially disenfranchising eligible voters and compromising the democratic principles of equal representation. This bill, if enacted, could erode the values of inclusivity and personal freedom that are fundamental to a democratic society.



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This bill is abhorrent. There is no need to fear and flag — by omission — noncitizens.



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Dear Honorable Representatives, The Missouri Immigration Policy Coalition is a coalition composed of over 20 organizations and individuals advocating for issues impacting immigrants in Missouri. On behalf of the Missouri Immigration Policy Coalition, I urge you to oppose HB 1413. HB 1413 would mandate all licenses or identification cards to have a distinct mark distinguishing citizens and noncitizens. This mandate allows anyone with access to viewing identification cards to know about one's personal citizenship status. We at Missouri Immigration Policy Coalition are seriously concerned about the negative impacts HB 1413 could have on the private lives of individuals. An individual's right to privacy regarding their citizenship status will become known to any individual in contact with such licenses. Due to the accessibility of obtaining such intimate information, this bill infringes upon privacy and furthers the ability to single out and discriminate against immigrants. Barriers will be breached as a result of officials' ability to openly discriminate against people. The dread and anxiety that immigrants already experience in Missouri is heightened by HB 1413. By requiring this marking of U.S. citizens, HB 1413 would identify immigrants as potential targets and intensify the practice of racial profiling. Law enforcement and governmental representatives have no legal justification for needing to take drivers' citizenship status into account. Furthermore, due to racial profiling and discrimination against the immigrant community, there will be risks to society and the economy. This bill fosters a hostile and unwelcoming environment. If even just a portion of immigrants left Missouri, the effects on our economy would be devastating. According to statistics provided by the American Immigration Council, the immigrant community contributes over 2.5 billion dollars in taxes and makes up 5% of Missouri's labor force. Last but not least, this bill will discourage immigrants from applying for licenses. As a result, HB 1413 will likely have the unintended consequence of increasing the number of uninsured drivers and increasing insurance premiums for everyone else. Missouri should focus on strengthening our communities and businesses, rather than impeding individuals, so I urge you to reject HB 1413. Thank you for your time and consideration. Respectfully, The Missouri Immigration **Policy Coalition**



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