



Status of Photo ID Legislation

Although the Senate passed legislation to require a Photo ID in order to vote, the House never had the opportunity to vote on it because of Democrat delays. The only options to pass the legislation are in a special session or wait until the Legislative Session 2011. Many people across the State feel that the legislation is so important that they would like the Governor to call a special session.

It has been suggested that Safe and Secure Elections have a petition drive to ask the Governor to call a special session for the purpose of passing Voter ID legislation. We are looking at all the pros and cons of a petition drive and we will definitely keep you informed about any petition drives, if and when they are organized.

I have had people ask me what Secure and Fair Elections is. Secure and Fair Elections is the name of an organization formed to promote legislation to require a Photo ID in order to vote. Secure and Fair Elections is composed of loyal Texans from TFRW, SREC, County Chairs, Noble Strategies and others to spearhead efforts to pass this legislation. Melinda Fredricks is Chairman and she has done a fabulous job. I urge you to go to their website at <http://www.safetexas.org/>

Thank you to all of you who have made phone calls, written letters, and travelled to Austin for rallies. We will keep you informed about any petition drives or other efforts to pass this legislation.

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PAC NEWS

!!! Attention Club Presidents and PAC Treasurers !!!

Your next submission to the Texas Ethics Commission is due July 15, 2009. For most clubs, this will cover a six month time period beginning January 1 and ending June 31. If your club has both a Treasurer and a PAC Treasurer, please ensure that the PAC Treasurer is receiving all documentation on a timely basis. Since the report covers a six month period, PAC treasurers cannot wait until the last minute to prepare the report. Remember, all income, including in kind contributions, and expenditures must be reported.

If your club has had a change of PAC treasurer which occurred after January 1, then the beginning date will be the day after your last report was submitted to the Texas Ethics Commission.

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