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Jurisdiction: Baltimore County

Bill: HB0035 Elections-In-Person Voting-Proof of Identity

Position: FOR

I respectfully suggest to you, the MD Legislature, that Voters who are MOST protected by Voter ID laws are those who are compromised, minorities or live in communities or areas of MD where identity theft is most likely. Thus, I respectfully suggest to you, that Voter ID will benefit these voters the MOST.

To protect Vulnerable Voters such as above, please consider:

24 things that require a photo ID by Ashe Schow, Commentary Writer |

Voter-ID laws continue to get a lot of attention, and proponents of the law are being drowned out by opponents claiming the laws discriminate against certain voters.

Rather than getting IDs to the people who are supposedly disenfranchised, opponents spend their efforts trying to end the laws, even though polls consistently show overwhelming majorities of voters approve of the laws.

Below are just some of the examples of things you need to prove your identity for:

1. Alcohol
2. Cigarettes
3. Opening a bank account
4. Apply for food stamps
5. Apply for welfare
6. Apply for Medicaid/Social Security
7. Apply for unemployment or a job
8. Rent/buy a house, apply for a mortgage
9. Drive/buy/rent a car
10. Get on an airplane
11. Get married
12. Purchase a gun
13. Adopt a pet
14. Rent a hotel room
15. Apply for a hunting license
16. Apply for a fishing license
17. Buy a cell phone
18. Visit a casino
19. Pick up a prescription
20. Hold a rally or protest
21. Blood donations
22. Buy an "M" rated video game
23. Purchase nail polish at CVS
24. Purchase certain cold medicines

But not to vote?

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