

Planning for the Big Day - Maine Primary Election on June 10th

People for Real Freedom: Repeal Real ID – Circulator Checklist

We're doing it! We have tried to do all this in only weeks. We have hundreds of volunteers, and many others we don't even know about, who will bring the petitions to the polls. We've called many of the towns to reserve spaces. The list is growing exponentially and it's hard to keep up with it all in this short time.

- We have tried to reserve spaces for petitioning at the polling places. Confirm with your Town Clerk or us whether you need to bring your own card table and chair or if they will be provided.
- Do Early Voting yourself. You can vote Monday at Town Hall. Do it when you take your Certificate of (Voter) Registration in. No need for a notarized signature on this form. You can also confirm then that a space has been reserved.
- Send Lu your Certificate of (Voter) Registration that has been signed at your Town Hall. (See attached) Make sure your town has you down as a Registered Voter. Goofs can happen and you must be registered to vote before you collect the signatures! Don't risk invalidated signatures! Do it now!
 - Mail it to: Real ID Repeal, c/o Lu Bauer, PO Box 96, Brunswick, ME 04011
- Help coordinate the schedule at your polling place
 - Typical shifts are: 8-noon, noon - 4pm, 4-8pm
 - We can tell you who the other volunteers are for your town
 - Get Lu the name, email & phone of each new volunteer you have helping, so they can receive petitions, instructions and updates like this.
- Re-Read your Petition Circulator Instructions – now! (see attached)
- Don't leave the petitions alone. For a bathroom break, tuck the petitions into a bag or take them with you. You can leave a note on the table, with your sign, that says, "I'll be back in a few minutes".
- Please try to hold back one clean copy of the petition to have in case you run out and have to make photocopies. Copies must be full 11X17 two sided copies of the actual petition. The Town Leaders will be planning for this.
- When you finish your shift and others are coming in, please make sure the next shift has enough petitions. The last person can collect the blank petitions and hold onto them, because we'll keep on collecting after June 10th.
- **Be Prepared – things to bring:**
 - enough copies of the petition
 - some pens
 - a sign (see attached color or black/white versions ready to print)

- **some tape to attach the sign to the table front and to display the back of the petition on your table (required)**
- **print out of some Q&A sheets and Brief Openers (see attached)**
- **a clip board to use in case the table area is full when you get there**
- **your cell phone should be turned off while in the polling area, but bring it in case you need to reach us**

It turns out there will be lots of other petitions, so the first circulator should get there early to assure a spot. Consider putting your ironing board in the car..just in case. It's an old trick of the trade: taking along ironing boards and setting them up outside for a flat place to work that takes up little space and breaks down quickly.

At the end of your shift(s), call our central number to report how many signatures you collected. We'll give you that number and emergency contact numbers for Election Day, in our next email.

After June 10th, what happens next? Watch for the next email, but briefly, here are the steps:

- Take your petitions, with signatures, to a notary public or an attorney (bank, town office, notary friend) and have them witness your signature on each petition.
- Take those petitions, with your signature already notarized, to the Town Hall for that petition's "Municipality" and ask them to validate each signature on the form.
 - Some registrars will do this "on the spot" and others will ask you to leave them. They may call you when they are ready. Be super nice to these key people!! Follow up and get them back when they are ready.
- Mail the validated (and notarized) petitions and your Certificate of Registration (if you haven't sent it to me already!) to Repeal Real ID, c/o Lu Bauer, PO Box 96, Brunswick, ME 04011 . Do this right away!
- Pull out your empty petitions and look for some voters, as we will likely need to keep going in order to get up to the required 55,000 !!

Kathleen says: "Every time I read Maine's law, still on the books, to people, or send them the language, they are absolutely floored. There is no ambiguity":

§1411. Prohibition against participation in the federal REAL ID Act of 2005

The State may not participate in the federal REAL ID Act of 2005, enacted as part of the Emergency Supplemental Appropriations Act for Defense, the Global War on Terror, and Tsunami Relief, 2005, Public Law 109-13. The Secretary of State may not amend the procedures for applying for a driver's license or nondriver identification card under this chapter in a manner designed to conform to the federal REAL ID Act of 2005.