
Subject: Re: Real ID Act and the Threat of a Police State
Posted by [cheesesoda](#) on Tue, 10 Jul 2007 17:22:26 GMT
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warranto wrote on Tue, 10 July 2007 12:57Heh, sorry... lots of incomplete thoughts there. That's what you get for trying to answer questions in the middle of working.

"Liberty or death" is a joke because EVERYONE gives up some liberty by choice, whether they are aware of it or not. The second the government enacts any type of law, a liberty is eroded. Be it to prevent businesses lying to their shareholders, prevent murder from occurring, or to be able to locate someone at a given point and time. The concept of it is fine, but in practice it doesn't hold up.

"Privacy" being an essential freedom is correct, however you give up that freedom the moment you open a window or walk outside, or anywhere else someone can see you. That's all this does, with a lot less information than someone in visual range.

Well, yes, I know there is some liberty given up. I do agree with some of it, after all, I'm not an anarchist. However, those aren't necessities being given up. I give up the ability to take the law into my own hands, and I'm fine with that.

Yeah, I give that up when I open a window or walk outside, but the huge GLARING difference between the two? I made the decision to open my window and walk outside. I did so under my own power. Letting the government know where I'm at without me doing so is the impeding on my privacy.
