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UPDATE PERSONAL ID CARD

House Bill 4541

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Committee: Transportation

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A SUMMARY OF HOUSE BILL 4541 AS INTRODUCED 3-7-95

Public Act 222 of 1972 provides for the design and issuance of the official state personal identification card by the secretary of state. The bill would amend the act to authorize the secretary of state to provide for the redesign of the official state personal ID card, where a person's "image" (rather than a photo) would be stored electronically and could be reproduced for use on the card. The bill specifically would prohibit the card from containing a fingerprint or finger image of the card-holder.

Beginning January 1, 1997, the secretary of state could retain and use any information on state personal ID cards only for programs administered by the secretary of state, and would be prohibited from using a person's image or signature for a purpose not described in the act, unless legislation was enacted specifically permitting the use, and the applicant permitted the image or signature to be used. However, law enforcement agencies could have access to any information retained by the secretary of state on the personal ID cards, and could use it for any law enforcement purpose allowed by law.

The bill would specify that a state ID card could contain an identifier for voter registration purposes. Beginning January 1, 1997, certain information could be stored in electronic or machine readable codes needed to conduct a transaction with the secretary of state. This would include the person's ID card number, birth date, expiration date, and other information necessary for use with electronic devices, machine readers, or automatic teller machines, but could not contain a person's address.

The bill would take effect January 1, 1996.

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