

January 28, 2019

Representative James White, District 19 Texas House of Representatives Room 4N.5 P.O. Box 2910, Austin, TX 78768

Dear Representative White:

On behalf of the Security Industry Association (SIA), we are writing to express our strong support for TX HB 682, which creates a statewide mobile drivers' license pilot program.

SIA is a non-profit trade association representing over 900 security and life safety solutions providers. Some of these solutions include fire alarm and security systems, carbon monoxide detectors, physical and network access control, as well as biometrics, secure documents, anti-counterfeiting technology and mobile drivers' licenses, to name a few.

There is growing interest in states across the country in providing citizens the option of electronic drivers' licenses, and the multiple benefits this provides to taxpayers, state government, and citizens alike. Louisiana and lowa recently launched statewide mobile drivers' license platforms, and early reports indicate robust adoption. As mobile platforms have emerged as a proven tool for commerce, banking and personal use, it is critical that users continue to be able to store their personal information securely, enhancing identity protections.

SIA member companies have played a vital role in providing guidance and subject matter expertise on cost-efficient and secure electronic drivers' license solutions. Please let us know if SIA or its members can provide information or any other further assistance to you and your colleagues in the legislature.

Thank you for your time and attention to this issue.

Sincerely,

Jake Parker

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