
Verifying that all Aliens have Legitimate Identification Documents (VALID) Act

Any American who has recently traveled on an airplane is uniquely aware of the burdens associated with getting through security and boarding your plane. You stand in long lines, are often subjected to additional screening and pat downs, and have to show proof of valid identification. That last requirement is essentially mandatory – it is nearly impossible, if not entirely impossible, to board a plane in the United States without providing a legal form of identification to attest to who you are.

Under the Biden Administration, however, illegal immigrants flying into or throughout the United States no longer have to show legal proof of identification. Last year, the Biden Administration began allowing illegal immigrants to use their CBP One Mobile Application as their sole form of legal identification. This app, which migrants can upload false and inaccurate information into, was never intended to be used as a form of legally permissible identification for the purposes of air travel. But today, TSA security lines at airports across the country now proudly advertise its use as a form of valid ID for illegally aliens seeking to board planes.

Thanks to the CBP One Mobile App, more than 200,000 illegal immigrants have been able to fly over the southern border and arrive successfully in the United States. These migrants have landed in 43 cities across the United States. In response to the unfair processing of noncitizens, Senator Lee has introduced the Verifying that all Aliens have Legitimate Identification Documents, or the VALID Act. Senator Lee believes that noncitizens should have to comply with the same laws as taxpaying American citizens. Deliberate and thorough processing of each immigrant is vital to reducing crime, ending sex trafficking, and putting a stop to the fentanyl crisis.

Specifically, the VALID Act:

- Prohibits air carriers from landing in any US airport if the air carrier actively provides, or facilitates the transportation of any noncitizen using any of the following instead of a Real ID:
 - The CBP One Mobile Application;
 - Department of Homeland Security Form I-385, Notice to Report;
 - Department of Homeland Security Form I-862, Notice to Appear.
- Prohibits the TSA from accepting the following as valid forms of identification when seeking to board a commercial plane for a domestic flight:
 - The CBP One Mobile Application;
 - Department of Homeland Security Form I-385, Notice to Report;
 - Department of Homeland Security Form I-862, Notice to Appear.

The legislation is endorsed by the Immigration Accountability Project.