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We have already voted, as we have early voting here in Florida (special voting places are open 2 weeks ahead of election day--no crowds, great idea). We have to show our voter registration card and one other form of ID with either a picture or a signature. They will accept a signed credit card for ID. I was going to try my Dive Instructor card (which has picture but no signature) but decided not to rock the boat.

I see nothing wrong with requiring ID. We have always lived in very small towns where everybody knew us before we moved to Florida, and nobody asked for ID, but we did have to sign in in a big register, with our signature. I don't know what the laws might have been, but the officials knew us and never asked! We had paper ballots and then graduated to the punch cards. I trusted those more than the fancy electronic machines--easy to use, but how do you prove they are accurate! In Florida that's a real question!

Barb C.

<[anne@xxxxxxxxx](mailto:anne@xxxxxxxxx)> wrote in message  
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On Mon, 06 Nov 2006 19:53:52 -0500, Marsha <[mas@xxxxxxx](mailto:mas@xxxxxxx)> wrote:

Do you think some sort of ID should be required when you vote? The reason I'm asking is because, Democrats challenged this law in Ohio and won, ironically just before this election. I don't understand why it's so difficult for a registered voter to provide some sort of ID, be it a driver's license, picture ID card, a recent bill in your name, all of which would have been acceptable, whatever. It's not a "hardship", as the Democratic party wants to claim, to provide ID. IMO, it prevents voter fraud, which is not uncommon, again IMO.

Marsha/Ohio

I fail to see the big deal that this issue has become myownself, Marsha. An ID or bill in one's name just isn't that hard to produce. The word I keep seeing in print is "intimidating", but I fail to see

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that asking for ID is an intimidating gesture. An underaged kid trying to buy alcohol might feel intimidated by a request for ID, but that's different, IMhO.

Anne/OH