

Chair and members of the committee,

My name is Don Poole. I am a citizen of the United States, a resident of Oregon and I live in Salem. I pay taxes and therefore, I pay your wages. You represent me and other citizens, NOT those illegally in this country.

I do not want my tax monies to be spent to create drivers' licenses for illegals.

I wonder if anyone realizes what the word "illegal" really means or does it even matter anymore? Are we to just look the other way when someone steals our cars or breaks into our homes?

Should we, with this legislation, give identification to those people who stole their way into this country? Why would we legitimize illegal immigrants by allowing a drivers' license? We would be inviting the culture of crime and the lack of respect for the laws of this country. Drivers' licenses have been our primary means of identification. This would only encourage more illegal immigrants.

Isn't it an oxymoron to give a drivers' license to someone who is in this country illegally and who is NOT legally able to work?

I recommend a vote AGAINST SB 833. I am sure voters will remember your vote on this matter.