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Re:
MN Drivers License
Application

September 21, 2006

Senator Brien LeClair
State Capitol
St. Paul MN 55155

Same letter to
Rep. Karen Klinging

Dear Sen. LeClair:

I recently learned that due to a recent Law passed by the Minnesota Legislature, and effective in March 2006, all persons applying for a Drivers License agree to the following statement, which is part of the application: "Submission of this application constitutes consent to registration with the selective service system, if required by federal law."

I am a military veteran (early 1960s) and I know exactly what the words "selective service system" mean. I would bet that almost no 16 year old applying for a license has any idea what they are agreeing to, here.

I would like copies of the specific statute(s) which led to statement, and a cite or some sort where I can find them in a Law Library, as well as your position on this(ese) statutes. I am most interested in additional commentary about their legislative history.

This seems to me to be a stealth attempt to get people registered for the draft without their knowledge or consent. It would be interesting to see what would happen if a 16 year old crossed out that section of the application.

I await your response. Thank you,

Sincerely,

Dick Bernard

**MINNESOTA DRIVER'S LICENSE/IDENTIFICATION CARD APPLICATION
PLEASE PRINT (OPTIONAL VOTER REGISTRATION CARD)**

PREV. BATCH # _____

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I was provided all privacy warnings as required by state and federal law. Submission of this application constitutes consent to registration with the selective service system, if required by federal law. I certify that the information on this application is correct. If I am applying for driving privileges, I am aware of the duties, responsibilities and penalties outlined in M.S. §169.444 regarding the safety of children around school buses.

Today's Date _____
 If applicant is under 18 years of age and is applying for driving privileges, I approve the application. If applying for a driver's license, I also certify that the applicant has driven under the supervision of a licensed driver at least 2 years of age for (1) not less than 30 hours, at least 10 of which were at night for provisional driver's license applicants; or (2) not less than 10 hours for driver's license applicants.

Parent / Legal Guardian's Signature _____ Relationship to Applicant _____
 Subscribed and sworn before me _____

Notary Public's Signature and Seal _____ Date _____

Voter Registration Card - Are you a US Citizen? Yes No Will you be 18 on or before the next election? Yes No I request to be registered to vote (Only if I haven't registered to vote in the past listing the above address. See eligibility information below) Read the Statement Below and Sign Only if ALL Parts Apply To You.
 I certify that I will be at least 18 years old on election day and that I am a citizen of the United States, maintain residence at the address shown above and will have resided in Minnesota for 20 days immediately preceding election day, and that I am not under court-ordered guardianship of the person where I have not retained the right to vote, have not been found by the court to be legally incompetent to vote and have not been convicted of a felony without having my civil rights restored. I have read and understand the statement, that giving false information is a felony punishable by not more than five (5) years imprisonment and a fine of not more than \$10,000 or both.

Voter's Signature _____ School District _____ Date _____
 Phone and/or e-mail _____ (If known)



MN Driver's License/Identification Card Number _____ Birth date _____ Month _____ Day _____ Year _____

Legal Name _____ (Please Print: First, Complete Middle, Last)

Previous Name _____ (Only if name has changed since last Minnesota application)

Social Security Number _____ I certify that I do not have a Social Security Number.

Residence Address _____ (Apt. #) _____

City _____ State _____ Zip Code _____ County _____

Physical Description _____ Eye Color _____ Height _____ Weight in pounds _____ Male _____ Female _____

ALL APPLICANTS (circle or check response)

- YES NO I request that my license or ID card show that I have a living will/health care directive (See #6 on back)
- YES NO I request that my license or ID card have a Medical Alert Identifier. I understand that the card will not contain any medical information.

3. DONOR DOCUMENT OF GIFT

I want my license or identification card to show that I consent to be an organ and tissue donor. M.S. §171.07, subd. 5 (See #7 on back)

DRIVER'S LICENSE AND PERMIT APPLICANT ONLY (circle response)

- YES NO I have had a driver's license or permit other than in Minnesota within the last ten (10) years. Where: _____
- YES NO Do you have any medical condition that may impair your ability to safely operate a motor vehicle? If YES, explain _____
- YES NO Do you use insulin? _____
- YES NO Do you use any medication, other than insulin, to control loss of consciousness or voluntary control? If YES, explain _____

PERMIT OR LICENSE APPLICANTS UNDER 18 ONLY (circle response)

8. YES NO My driving record is free of any alcohol or controlled substance violations, convictions for crash related moving violations and convictions for non-crash related moving violations.

COMMERCIAL DRIVER'S LICENSE (CDL) APPLICANT ONLY

9. I certify that (check statement that applies):
- I possess a valid health certificate as required by 49 C.F.R. 391 to operate a commercial vehicle INTERSTATE and am in full compliance with 49 C.F.R. 391.
 - I possess a valid health certificate as required by Minnesota Statutes, Chapter 221, to operate a commercial motor vehicle WITHIN THE STATE OF MINNESOTA.
 - I am exempt from possessing a health certificate under 49 C.F.R. 391 and M.S., Chapter 221.

Karen Klinzing
State Representative

District 56B
Washington County



Minnesota House of Representatives

October 24, 2006

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Dick Bernard
6905 Romeo Road
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Dear Mr. Bernard:

Thank you for your recent letter concerning the federal Selective Service System (SSS) registration component of Minnesota's driver's license application. I appreciate hearing from you and learning about your concerns regarding this matter.

In 2004 the legislature adopted Minnesota Statute 171.06 subd 6, linking the driver's license application with the SSS registration requirement. This bill passed the House 122-0 and passed the Senate 55-9. The full text of this provision is available online at <http://www.revisor.leg.state.mn.us/data/revisor/statutes/2005/171/06.html>.

As of April 2005, forty-one states have enacted legislation linking either a man's application for a driver's license or eligibility to state funded higher education with SSS registration. These provisions allow the SSS to focus on other states to ensure compliance with federal law requiring all men between the ages of 18 and 25 to register with the SSS. Failure to register may result in a fine of up to \$250,000 and/or five years in prison. In addition, men born after December 31, 1959 who fail to register won't qualify for federal student loans or grant programs and are not eligible for some federal job training programs. For these reasons, the Minnesota legislature adopted this legislation to help ensure compliance with the registration requirement.

While I appreciate learning about your concerns regarding the SSS process and Minnesota's decision to include registration with the driver's license application, the 2004 legislature decided that since registration is mandatory for men between the ages of 18 and 25, it made sense to make the registration process easier. The registration component of the driver's license application is indicated on the application form so every person completing the form is aware of this step. By including this step, we are helping Minnesota's young men continue their eligibility for financial aid should they attend any type of post-secondary educational institution. It was never the intent of the Minnesota legislature to do anything beyond what is already required by federal law regarding the SSS registration requirement.

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Finally, only Congress may authorize a draft. During the last election, both President Bush and Senator Kerry are on record as opposing a draft. The House of Representatives voted on October 5, 2004 by a 402 to 2 margin to defeat a bill that would have prepared to reinstate a military draft. The purpose of the SSS is to prepare to manage a draft if and when Congress and the President determine that a draft is necessary.

I hope this information is helpful to you. Should you have any additional questions or concerns regarding the draft, I would encourage you to share them with Senator Mark Dayton (1-888-224-9043), Senator Norm Coleman (1-800-642-6041), or Congressman Mark Kennedy (651) 653-5933. These issues are under federal Congressional jurisdiction and they would be able to address your concerns.

Thanks again for your letter. Please keep in touch.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Karen Klinzing". The signature is written in a cursive style with a large, looping flourish at the end.

Karen Klinzing
State Representative

Dick Bernard

From: Sen. Brian LeClair [Sen.Brian.LeClair@senate.mn]
Sent: Sunday, October 01, 2006 1:08 PM
To: Dick Bernard
Cc: Emily Skidmore
Subject: Your 9-21 letter

Dick,

Thanks for your letter of September 21.

The state law you referenced was actually passed in 2003 as Senate File 1192, chief authored by Senator Mee Moua (DFL - Saint Paul). The concerns you express now are precisely the same concerns that I had when I voted on this bill in 2003, and those concerns led me to vote "no." As it turned out, the bill still passed the Senate by a vote of 55-9, and joining me in the group of 9 who voted "no" were Sens. Linda Berglin (DFL - Minneapolis) and Scott Dibble (DFL - Minneapolis).

I know that you and I don't always agree, Dick, but I'm particularly pleased that your latest letter was on an issue where we can find some common ground. I hope that's a good omen for the 2007 Session!! I will always value my independence from the prevailing political winds, even if that means I have to cast some tough "no" votes. The issue you raise in your letter proves that point very, very well.

Please stay in touch.

All the best,

Brian

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