

Ask Walker to Veto SB 533 Ban on Localities Issuing IDs

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MILWAUKEE - SB 533 would block cities and municipalities of Wisconsin from issuing ID cards to those who are not able to obtain State IDs due to their legal status, because they are homeless, and/or transgender. Without IDs they generally cannot open bank accounts, get library cards, get some medicines, identify themselves to police, get access to their children's schools, etc.

Over 30 thousand people, Latinos and non-Latinos, different organizations and businesses marched on DAY WITHOUT LATINOS & IMMIGRANTS Thursday March 18th. SB 533 was already advanced and it is ready to be signed by Gov. Walker by Thursday Feb. 25th. As the systems works if Gov. Walker does not sign it within 6 days of passing thru the legislative process it becomes law automatically. So we want him to veto it.

Please consider calling the Governor today at 608 266-1212 as I did (best to call, but you can email at govgeneral@wisconsin.gov) to ask him to veto SB 533.

I do not see any political gain to him in allowing this ban on localities issuing IDs, and it seems like nothing more than another punitive measure, attacking local government and its ability to address real problems of its residents.

Here is the contrary argument, per this WUWM report: "Supporters of the plan to ban local IDs fear it would lead to confusion and fraud." [Read more](#)

Also see this important WSJ in depth study on the effects of Arizona's anti-immigrant measures, which forced 100,000 people out of the state and had a negative effect on its overall economy at <http://www.msn.com/en-us/money/markets/the-thorny-economics-of-illegal-immigration/ar-BBpguEo>

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