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Governor and First Lady Holcomb upgrade to Real ID

INDIANAPOLIS – Governor Eric J. Holcomb and First Lady Janet Holcomb today upgraded their driver's licenses to Real IDs at the Bureau of Motor Vehicles' mobile branch inside the Statehouse.

A Real ID-compliant license is a more secure form of identification which meets federal security standards.

Beginning in October 2020, under federal law Hoosiers will need a Real ID-compliant license, permit or identification card to board commercial flights and enter certain federal facilities.

"Janet and I are here today to show everyone just how easy it is to upgrade your identification in person," Governor Holcomb said. "Indiana's BMV branches and mobile units stand ready to deliver great government service to Hoosiers interested in obtaining a Real ID."

"Upgrading sooner, rather than later, saves time and can help avoid flight or accessibility issues in the future," said BMV Commissioner Peter Lacy. "It's important for Hoosiers to understand upgrading to a Real ID will not only allow them to easily board commercial fights and enter federal buildings in 2020, but a Real ID also provides additional protection against identity theft."

To upgrade to a Real ID, customers <u>must visit a BMV branch</u> and provide documents proving their identity, Social Security number, lawful status in the U.S., and Indiana residency. These documents include, but are not limited to, a birth certificate, unexpired passport, Social Security card, and utility bills or bank statements. More information can be found at REALID.IN.gov.

Photos from today's event can be viewed on Governor Holcomb's Flickr page.