

RESOLUTION
Opposing Kill Switch Mandate in Biden Infrastructure Bill

Whereas, the Biden Administration’s Infrastructure Investment and Jobs Act (IIJA) directs the National Highway Transportation Safety Administration (NHTSA) to issue a rule that requires new passenger vehicles to have ‘advanced drunk and impaired driving prevention technology’ by 2024; and

Whereas, this requirement amounts to a **vehicle kill switch mandate** as early as 2026 and Section 24220 of the IIJA requires all newly manufactured vehicles to be equipped with technology to passively monitor driver performance and to **prevent vehicle operation** including using eye movements, real-time breath detection, hands on steering wheel and lane position; and

Whereas, this technology’s stated aim is to detect ‘impaired’ drivers (which is not defined in statute), enabling the federal government to track every American’s vehicle (in order to know if a person is suspected of being impaired) whether or not the driver is actually drunk or impaired, this technology will allow surveillance of American citizens without a warrant, destroying our right to privacy, instituting unconstitutional tracking, and other civil rights violations; and

Whereas, a kill switch can pose frightening safety concerns cutting off power to a moving vehicle, posing grave risks to both the driver and other cars in order to get a vehicle safely parked on the side of a road, and could cause drivers to be stranded, alone, and vulnerable on the side of the road with a totally disabled vehicle among a host of other dangers,

Whereas, 31 states allow for court-mandated ignition interlock devices (IID) to prevent drivers from starting their car without first passing a self-administered breathalyzer test, there is no need for another federal mandate,

Now, therefore, be it:

Resolved, that we demand our state and federal lawmakers, with all haste, to prohibit a government-mandated kill switch or other device designed to cease a vehicle’s operation remotely; and further be it

Resolved, that we demand our officials proceed with urgency to protect Americans’ constitutional rights by stopping this federal mandate and prohibiting installation of kill switches into American vehicles.

Adopted this ____ day of _____, 20__, at the Precinct Convention of Precinct #_____, _____ County of the _____ Party of Texas.

Name of Officer

Signature