

# **GAFFNEY FOR STATE DELEGATE**

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## **GAFFNEY WANTS TOUGHER PENALTIES FOR ILLEGAL WORKERS WHO USE FAKE IDS**

Today Loretta Gaffney, a Republican candidate for State Delegate, announced that she will file legislation calling for stiffer penalties for illegal workers who use fake IDs to get work.

Gaffney's bill, when filed, would require businesses to verify a worker's immigration status, create stronger penalties for those caught making fake IDs, and require the courts to verify the citizenship of any individual appearing in a state court. If approved, violators would receive up to \$5,000 in fines or five years in jail.

"We may not be able to solve the entire problem of illegal immigration at the state level, but as your State Delegate, I will take a strong stand to crack down on illegal immigration in Maryland," stated Gaffney. "Our legal residents should be getting these jobs."

When elected, Loretta Gaffney will make it one of her top priorities to ensure that fair immigration policies are enacted benefiting all legal residents of the United States and Maryland. Although the system may be broken and in need of major reforms, as long as the United States has a legal immigration system, the law must be enforced and we should not reward those that knowingly break it.

According to Gaffney, "the importance of cracking down on illegal immigration is about more than just in-state tuition and financial aid, it is about our homeland's security, properly introducing individuals into our society, following the rules and playing fair to those who were born here and those who legally immigrated here."

"If our state becomes a leader in stopping illegals from working, then it might just slow down the rate of illegal immigration," added Gaffney.

Gaffney is a devoted wife, mother and grandmother. For years she as a Delegate's executive assistant in Annapolis and understands the job.

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