

## FAQ

### ➤ Is my personal information secure?

- A. Yes, our site is fully encrypted.
- B. All personal information is stored on a device that is not connected to the internet.
- C. All financial transactions occur over secure servers, and then all of that data is stored on devices not connected to the internet.

### ➤ Why is my voice more powerful on VOICES?

Currently, if you express your opinion to an elected representative, you do so singularly, if you express your opinion on an issue via VOICES, all opinions expressed on that issue to that elected representative on the issue are done so individually, but the results of ALL of the opinions are tabulated by VOICES, and therefore you are expressing your opinion COLLECTIVELY to the Representative. The resulting opinions on each issue are reported back to you on that COLLECTIVE basis.

### ➤ How does VOICES work?

- A. Each time a bill is coming up for a vote in a legislative body VOICES will send you a VOTE ALERT asking you to express your opinion to your Elected Representative [ER] asking whether you support or oppose that bill. The alert contains a link to the text of the bill as well if you wish to read it.
- B. When you send that opinion back to VOICES it is then forwarded to the ER (via an automatically created VOICESFORCHANGE.US email we create for you).
- C. VOICES also tabulates the results of all VOICES Users opinions that are sent to that ER on all bills, along with the the percentages of all opinions sent on each bill.

### ➤ How do I know how the ER voted on that bill?

- A. VOICES reports back to you how the ER voted on that bill; along with the percentage of opinions expressed via VOICES supporting or opposing that bill.
- B. For example, if an elected official receives notices from VOICES where 75% of the Users support the bill, and 25% oppose it, our Report Card on that bill will tell you how the ER voted and the percentage of VOICES Users that supported and opposed that piece of legislation.
- C. VOICES also creates a 'cumulative Report Card' as to how the ER voted on all bills in relationship to the opinions expressed via VOICES.

### ➤ Do I need to know the names of all my state and federal Elected Representatives?

- A. No, when you sign up providing VOICES with your street address VOICES will identify each of your state and federal Elected Representatives.

B. VOICES will then provide you with the name, address, phone number and email address of each of your Elected Representatives.

➤ **Does VOICES share my email address or any other information with any other organization?**

NO.

➤ **Why does VOICES charge a fee?**

A. We believe that if VOICES were provided for free, as is Facebook who derive their revenue via advertising, we would DE-legitimize VOICES because any organization could sign up any number of fictitious VOICES Users in an attempt to “stuff the ballots box”.

B. When we bill your credit/debit card or Paypal account we are able to verify that the account exists at your billing address (which we ask for) and therefore we prevent those that might attempt to “stuff the ballot box” from doing so because they would need to create a payment account at an address that is valid.

C. We are trying to provide you with a powerful tool, and because of the reasons cited above we hope that you concur that it is of value to you. VOICES will never sell lists of our clients, and in an attempt to remain totally non-partisan, will never accept advertising, and therefore we must remain a fee for service entity.

➤ **Will VOICES express a position on an issue?**

No, VOICES is and shall remain non-partisan.

➤ **Will anyone or any entity express an opinion to me?**

Perhaps, VOICES allows advocacy groups, such as: the political advocacy groups, labor unions, AARP or other such groups to become VOICES 'Affiliates'. If you choose to do so, you can identify each group whose opinions/position on bills you might wish to see. If you do so your VOTE ALERT will contain that Affiliate's comments on that legislation, if the group becomes an Affiliate.

➤ **Can I identify more than one Affiliate?**

Yes, as many as you wish.

➤ **How much does VOICES charge an Affiliate for this service?**

Nothing, we are providing the service to you. Affiliates are allowed to participate because they may provide you more power by bringing Users with common views together on a position, therefore making your voice more powerful.

**➤ Does VOICES help me, or Affiliates, in other ways?**

Yes, there are numerous other facets to VOICES that you will see when you visit the VOICES website. One very powerful tool is available in the “Issues Provides Answers” segment. “Issues” allows for an Affiliate to present a 'Petition' for signatures on a Bill that is in committee, but not yet scheduled for a vote. VOICES then sends the 'Petition' to all VOICES Users that have identified with the Affiliate. Once completed the Petition will be sent to the Chairman of the committee, each committee member, and the Elected Representative of each User that signed the Petition. We leave it to you to determine what effect that might have if such a Petition contained up to, or more than, a million signatures.

**➤ Does VOICES have a method for members or Affiliates to ask for legislation to be introduced?**

Yes, just as a Petition supports or opposes a bill already introduced, a Petition may also be used to ask that legislators introduce new legislation.

**➤ What is an “Alliance”?**

Because VOICES hopes to make your voice more powerful, we allow Affiliates to form alliances with other VOICES Affiliates that might take a similar position on proposed legislation to submit a Petition to their followers on a combined basis to expand the number of possible signatures. To do so, the administrators of each Affiliate must inform VOICES administration department that they wish to collaborate on the Petition. It then is sent to all members of all of the Affiliates in the alliance.

**➤ Can I submit a Petition?**

Yes, you can post a Petition on your VOICES “Member Page” for signature. It will be more effective if you were to submit the Petition to one of your Affiliates, and ask them to form one or more alliances with other Affiliates, because it would then go to all Users that identified themselves with those Affiliates.