

Congressional Briefing: TSA - Failure By The Numbers



WHO: Congressional Members and their Staff
WHAT: Presentation about the TSA's failure to justify its spending and how the Body Scanners have been proven ineffective
WHEN: 10:00 AM – 11:00 AM (E.S.T) Tuesday, May 22nd, 2012
WHERE: Room 402 of the Cannon House Office Building
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You are cordially invited to a Congressional Briefing concerning the use of controversial TSA body scanners in airports. There will be two short presentations:

“A Quantitative Look at Airport Security” will cover airport security effectiveness:

Bayes' Rule: A mathematical demonstration of how universal screening fails when the prevalence of terrorist intent is extremely small.

Risks and Costs: The Department of Homeland Security has repeatedly failed to employ standard cost-benefit analyses of its programs, and what little quantitative evidence it does produce contains glaring errors.

No Good Deed Goes Unpunished: The unintended consequences of intrusive airport screening result in over 500 road deaths per year.

SPEAKER BIO: Dr. Sommer Gentry, Ph.D., is an Associate Professor of Mathematics at the United States Naval Academy. She is a graduate of both Stanford University (BS'98 and MS'98) and the Massachusetts Institute of Technology (Ph.D.'05).

“TSA Body Scanners Less Effective Than Metal Detectors” is a personal narrative discussing an actual field test conducted on TSA body scanners at two major airports, in which a traveler was able to pass through both new ("ATR") and old ("Backscatter X-ray") body scanners with an undetected metal object. In its quest to detect the abstract "non-metallic threat," the TSA has made it trivial to pass much more common metallic threats (guns, explosive devices, etc.) through our nation's checkpoints.

SPEAKER BIO: Jonathan Corbett is a technology entrepreneur, frequent flyer, and creator of the "How to Get Anything Through TSA Nude Body Scanners" viral video.

About Freedom to Travel USA FTTUSA is a national non-partisan group of citizens whose goal is to regain freedoms taken away by the Transportation Security Administration (TSA).

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