

# Action Alert!

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**H.B. 940, “The Microchip Consent Act,” was introduced by Representative Ed Setzler on January 16<sup>th</sup>. It requires personal prior consent before an RFID (microchip) could be implanted into the consenting person’s body.** Microchips may, also, be implanted in human bodies, as they are in pets, farm animals and retail items. Since it sounds so much like science fiction, I’ve listed below several patents already granted by 2005 and those pending in 2005.

**ACTION – Support H.B. 940.** Immediately call Representatives Willard, Committee Ch., 404 656-5128; Tumlin, Subcommittee Ch., 404 656-0177; Bruce, 656-0314; Hatfield, 656-0109; O’Neal, 656-5103; Lindsey, 656-0298; Billy Maddox, 656-0109; Stephenson, 656-0126; and Teilhet, 636-0298.

**Take particular note of number 8 in the “application” list below, “Method & Apparatus for Locating & Tracking Persons.”** It would patent a method for deep body implants removable only by surgery. That patent application was dated in 2005. The current status is unknown.

**Radio Frequency Identification chips known as microchips or “spychips” have become critical components of many industries. Granted, there are many acceptable uses for them, but technology is available for major invasions of privacy and unscrupulous uses unheard of except in science fiction . . . until now. Patents already granted, as well as patents pending, are glimpses into current uses and things to come. Those listed below are a sample of patents granted by 2005 and patents still pending in 2005.**

## Patents Granted in the U.S. from 1996 - 2005

1. **Tampon Detection System** (tracking intimate items after they’re bought by consumers)
2. **Method for determining if a Publication Has Not Been Read** (chipped publications tracked after purchase)
3. **Automated Monitoring of Activity of Shoppers in a Market** (tracking via chips on customers’ clothing)
4. **Fabric Antenna for Tags** (chips in clothing, accessories, draperies, linens, etc.)
5. **Machine Readable Label Reader System for Articles with Changeable Status** (chips monitor consumer use)
6. **System and Method for Interactive Advertising** (personal data-rich chips reveal income status of consumer)

## Applications for Patents from 2001 - 2004

1. **Address Security & Privacy Issue of RFID To Track Consumer Product**  
(without consumer knowledge)
2. **Identification and Tracking of Persons Using RFID-Tagged Items**  
(chips in purchased items track buyer)
3. **Systems & Methods for Tracking Consumers in a Store Environment** (in-store tracking of consumers)
4. **Method and Apparatus for Remote Monitoring and Control of a Target Group** (control, target groups)
5. **Identification and Tracking of Persons using RFID-Tagged Items** (chipping persons with specific ID)
6. **Radio-Frequency Tags for Sorting Post-Consumption Items**  
(chips not destroyed but readable after discarded by buyer)
7. **System and Method for Utilizing RF Tags to Collect Data Concerning Post-Consumer Resources**  
(chip data recovered and used after consumer discards RFID-tagged items)
8. **Method & Apparatus for Locating & Tracking Persons** (deep body implants removable only by surgery)