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As millions embarked on Thanksgiving travel, Professor Peter Marguiles spoke about the TSA's use of full-body scans and passenger pat downs.


BRISTOL, R.I., Nov. 24, 2010 (WPRI) - Full body scans and passenger pat downs are legal, according to a Roger Williams University law professor.

Peter Marguiles made his comments as travelers are voicing concerns about the new security measures heading into the busy Thanksgiving holiday.

Marguiles also predicts courts will throw out any lawsuit, citing security in a post-9/11 world.

The Transportation Security Administration is urging passengers to support the new security measures, so delays are kept to a minimum at America's airports.

Some protesters have called for a National Opt Out Day, which would have passengers opt out of full-body scans for a more time-consuming full-body pat down.