

BILL SUMMARY
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Impact:	SEB Cost: Minimal

Research Analysis

HB2052 requires a multistate voter list maintenance organization to certify to the State Election Board that membership meets listed requirements. If the organization identifies eligible voters who are not registered, the Secretary of the State Election Board may notify them about the procedure for registering, but the notification must not include an application. The organization must certify that to the best of their knowledge all people it flags as eligible to vote are US citizens. Service Oklahoma will not provide motor vehicle license data for non-citizens when information is provided to the organization.

It will be unlawful for the voter list maintenance organization to provide information received to a third party or use the information for anything except voter roll maintenance. If evidence suggesting this comes out, Oklahoma will immediately withdraw from the organization. The Oklahoma Attorney General will have the authority to pursue litigation in a state district court for damages caused in a case of unlawful data sharing. If the Attorney General declines to pursue action, the Secretary of the State Election Board or the Legislature by a majority vote may initiate an action to hire outside counsel.

The Secretary of the State Election Board must publish annual designated costs associated with organization membership and listed statistical information. Additionally, the Secretary of the State Election Board must ensure an electronic copy of the voter registration information is publicly available.

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Fiscal Analysis

HB 2052 modifies how the State Election Board (SEB) requires certain conditions to be met for membership with a multistate voter list maintenance organization. This measure would require reports be filed annually in reference to costs associated with organization membership and certain statistical information. Per the agency, the creation of these reports may result in a minimal fiscal impact.

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Other Considerations

The measure also states that if evidence of unlawful practice by multistate voter list maintenance organizations is presented, litigation may be pursued by the Attorney General, State Election Board, or the Legislature. If this scenario would to occur, unknown litigation costs would impact

the state agency that chooses to pursue litigation. County election boards may also incur costs related to staff, time, and secure storage for any additional documents that would be required.

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