BILL SUMMARY

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Research Analysis

The floor substitute to SB 1086 authorizes the Secretary of the State Election Board to compare the list of registered voters in Oklahoma to any federal, state, or local database that contains information on the citizenship status of persons residing in Oklahoma. The Secretary of the State Election Board must send notice to any registered voter listed in the database as not being a citizen of the United States. The registered voter has 30 days to present proof of citizenship to the applicable county election board via mail, email, or in person. If the registered voter fails to present proof, the voter's registration will be canceled.

Additionally, the measure requires the electronic voter registration list held by the Secretary of the State Election Board be made available to the following people:

- Residents of Oklahoma who are citizens of the United States;
- Official representatives of political parties recognized by the laws of Oklahoma;
- Candidates for office in Oklahoma and their official representatives; and
- Other persons authorized by state law.

Any person requesting the voter registration list must complete an application form. The measure establishes that it is unlawful to knowingly make the list available or to provide the list to a foreign national, foreign commercial interest, or foreign governmental entity. Additionally, it is unlawful for any person to use the voter registration list for commercial purposes. Commercial purposes do not include the use of the voter list by campaigns, political parties, government officials, or public opinion pollsters to contract or interact with voters.

CHANGES IN FLOOR SUB VERSION FROM THE COMMITTEE SUBSTITUTE:

The floor substitute version removes the option for faxing in proof of citizenship and clarifies that it is unlawful to knowingly make the list available.

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Fiscal Analysis

The floor substitute to SB 1086 permits a comparison of the state registered voter list with any federal, state, or local database regarding citizenship status. The measure further provides a 30-day procedural time requirement relating to proof of citizenship for purposes of maintaining voter registration, and prohibits the unlawful use of such information for commercial purposes. The measure does not carry any fiscal or revenue considerations for the state. Therefore, the measure is not anticipated to have a direct fiscal impact on the state budget or appropriations.

Other Considerations
None.
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