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Bill Analysis

HB 2052 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. Motor vehicle license data shall not be provided for persons who are identified as not being citizens of the United States. The measure provides that the state shall not join such an organization if a notification is required to be sent to persons who are eligible to vote but not yet registered to vote, membership in the organization includes any person or entity other than a state or territory of the United States, the governing board of the organization includes any member or ex officio member who is not a representative of a state or territory of the United States, or the organization provides or releases voter registration data or motor vehicle license data received from this state to any party other than a state or territory of the United States that is a member of 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. Oklahoma will immediately withdraw from the organization if evidence of these actions emerge. 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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