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2023 SENATE BILL 472

September 29, 2023 - Introduced by Senators STROEBEL, FELZKOWSKI, NASS, QUINN, STAFSHOLT and TOMCZYK, cosponsored by Representatives BODDEN, ALLEN, BEHNKE, BINSFELD, BRANDTJEN, BROOKS, GOEBEN, GUNDRUM, GUSTAFSON, MICHALSKI, MURPHY, O'CONNOR, RETTINGER, SCHMIDT and WICHGERS. Referred to Committee on Shared Revenue, Elections and Consumer Protection.

AN ACT *to repeal* 6.36 (1) (ae) and 343.50 (8) (c) 3.; *to amend* 6.36 (1) (b) 1. a., 342.06 (1) (eg) and 343.14 (2j); and *to create* 6.36 (1) (af) of the statutes; **relating to:** Wisconsin's membership agreement with the Electronic Registration Information Center.

Analysis by the Legislative Reference Bureau

Under current law, the administrator of the Elections Commission is required to enter into a membership agreement with the Electronic Registration Information Center (ERIC) to assist the commission in maintaining Wisconsin's official voter registration list.

This bill terminates Wisconsin's membership agreement with ERIC and directs the administrator of the Elections Commission to undertake all actions necessary and proper to effect that termination. The bill also expressly prohibits the commission and any other state agency from entering into a membership agreement with ERIC.

For further information see the state fiscal estimate, which will be printed as an appendix to this bill.

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The people of the state of Wisconsin, represented in senate and assembly, do enact as follows:

SECTION 1. 6.36 (1) (ae) of the statutes is repealed.

SECTION 2. 6.36 (1) (af) of the statutes is created to read:

6.36 (1) (af) Neither the commission nor any other agency, as defined in s. 13.172 (1), may enter into a membership agreement with Electronic Registration Information Center, Inc.

SECTION 3. 6.36 (1) (b) 1. a. of the statutes is amended to read:

6.36 (1) (b) 1. a. Except as provided in pars. ~~(ae)~~, (bm); and (bn), no person other than an employee of the commission, a county clerk, a deputy county clerk, an executive director of a county board of election commissioners, a deputy designated by the executive director, a municipal clerk, a deputy municipal clerk, an executive director of a city board of election commissioners, or a deputy designated by the executive director may view the date of birth, operator's license number, or social security account number of an elector, the address of an elector to whom an identification serial number is issued under s. 6.47 (3), or any indication of an accommodation required under s. 5.25 (4) (a) to permit voting by an elector.

SECTION 4. 342.06 (1) (eg) of the statutes is amended to read:

342.06 (1) (eg) Except as provided in par. (eh), if the applicant is an individual, the social security number of the applicant. The department of transportation may not disclose a social security number obtained under this paragraph to any person except to the department of children and families for the sole purpose of administering s. 49.22, to the department of workforce development for the sole purpose of enforcing or administering s. 108.22, and to the department

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of revenue for the purposes of administering state taxes and collecting debt,~~and to the elections commission for the sole purpose of allowing the chief election officer to comply with the terms of the agreement under s. 6.36 (1) (ae).~~

SECTION 5. 343.14 (2j) of the statutes is amended to read:

343.14 (2j) Except as otherwise required to administer and enforce this chapter, the department of transportation may not disclose a social security number obtained from an applicant for a license under sub. (2) (bm) to any person except to the department of children and families for the sole purpose of administering s. 49.22, to the department of workforce development for the sole purpose of enforcing or administering s. 108.22, to the department of revenue for the purposes of administering state taxes and collecting debt, or to the driver licensing agency of another jurisdiction,~~or to the elections commission for the sole purpose of allowing the chief election officer to comply with the terms of the agreement under s. 6.36 (1) (ae).~~

SECTION 6. 343.50 (8) (c) 3. of the statutes is repealed.

SECTION 7. Nonstatutory provisions.

(1) TERMINATION OF ERIC AGREEMENT. This state's agreement with the Electronic Registration Information Center, entered into under s. 6.36 (1) (ae) 1., 2021 stats., is terminated. The chief election officer of this state shall undertake all actions necessary and proper to give effect to this subsection.

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