

Election Integrity: Withdraw From ERIC

Whereas, in 2012 the Electronic Registration Information Center (ERIC) was formed as a membership organization primarily for blue States. See <https://ericstates.org> and <https://www.sos.state.tx.us/about/newsreleases/2020/030920.shtml>;

Whereas, ERIC is essentially a left wing voter registration drive disguised as voter roll clean up, but it's been gaining traction in Red States too;

Whereas, Texas is a member of ERIC;

Whereas ERIC was originally funded by the Soros Open Society. It is now responsible for cleaning the voter rolls **in 31 States**, plus D.C. A top election official from each member State is appointed a seat on the ERIC Board or as an Officer, all unpaid positions.

Whereas, ERIC **located 17 million** new voters for the 2020 election, the most in the history of their organization. For comparison, they only found 5.7 million in 2012, Obama's reelection.

Whereas, The ERIC database is massively comprehensive: member States must not only submit all details on inactive and active voters to ERIC every 60 days. But they must also include every individual in their states' Motor Vehicle Department database, both licensed and ID recipients. This data includes names, addresses, DOB, License #, last 4 of social #, voter activity, phone, email, title and type of citizenship documentation, and much more;

Whereas, numerous states have given private and personal information about their residents to ERIC (Electronic Registration Information Center), which now has 350 million records on us. It includes all voter data, Motor Vehicle Department data, and in some cases, court and vital records;

Whereas, the **Membership Bylaws** require the State to contact at least 95% of these people within 90 days, soliciting them to register. ERIC also wants specific registration profiles updated and requires the State to contact these voters within 90 days too. It's essentially a left wing voter registration drive all paid for by the States. The **membership fee is \$25,000**

but costs can run into the millions to fund the activities and membership dues.

Whereas, January 27, 2022, Louisiana Secretary of State Kyle Ardoin has announced that Louisiana will suspend its participation in the Electronic Registration Information Center (ERIC), effective immediately. The announcement comes amid concerns raised by citizens, government watchdog organizations and media reports about potential questionable funding sources and that possibly partisan actors may have access to ERIC network data for political purposes, potentially undermining voter confidence. See

<https://www.sos.la.gov/OurOffice/PublishedDocuments/FINAL%20VERSION-1.27.22%20ERIC%20PR.pdf>;

Let It Be Resolved, that the Texas Secretary of State immediately withdraw from the Electronic Registration Information Center (ERIC).

Therefore, **LET IT BE RESOLVED**, that a copy of this resolution be sent to the _____ County/Senate District # _____ Convention Resolutions Committee from Precinct # _____ with the recommendation that it be passed and sent to the State Convention Platform Committee of the Republican Party of Texas.