Today’s agenda focuses on 3 questions

1. What is ERIC?
2. Why is DMV important?
3. Could ERIC be a DMV asset, too?
ERIC’s Mission

Assist states to improve the accuracy of voter rolls, reduce costs, and improve efficiency for state and local election offices.
Presidential Commission Report

“The Commission endorses state programs to share data and to collaborate in the synchronization of voter lists so that the states, on their own initiative, come as close as possible to creating an accurate database of the eligible electorate.”

www.supportthevoter.gov
Why are accurate voter registration lists important?

“The quality of the list can affect the ability of people to vote, of election offices to detect problems, and of courts and others monitoring elections to detect election fraud or irregularities. A list with many incorrect records can slow down the processing of voters at polling places resulting in longer lines.”

PCEA Final Report, Pg. 22
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<td>Fully operational, self-governing, self-supporting</td>
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Where ERIC started in 2012
Green: ERIC members
Orange: Intent to join ASAP
Red: Legislation adopted
Blue: Legislation pending
ERIC Reports

**Outreach**
- Eligible but Unregistered

**List Maintenance**
- In-state Movers
- Cross-state Movers
- Deceased
- In-state Duplicates
List Maintenance

**In-state Movers**
- DMV or NCOA record with newer address

**Cross-state Movers**
- Newer Voter or DMV or NCOA in another state

**Deceased**
- Match to Social Security Death Master list

**In-state Duplicates**
- Every one or two months, at least annually
- Match only sent once
- Possible actions:
  - Send postcard to old address and act on undeliverable
  - Voluntary cancellation request to new address
  - Notice and inactivation if no response
  - Depends on state laws
Outreach: Eligible but Unregistered

- Minimum every two years
- Contact voters within 90 days of report
- ERIC only includes again if address changes
- DMV information excluded when matching Active or Inactive Voter
May, 2016 report statistics

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<td>In-state movers</td>
<td>742,266</td>
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<td>269,824</td>
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<td>Deceased</td>
<td>61,278</td>
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<td>In-state duplicates</td>
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<td><strong>TOTAL</strong></td>
<td><strong>1,087,398</strong></td>
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Cost Savings with ERIC

- Sharing costs
  - NCOA
  - Social Security Death List

- King County, Washington:
  - 33% reduction in undeliverable ballots

- Minnesota:
  - $7,500 savings for shared services
  - $0.75 - $1 per electronic record ($116K so far)
  - Fewer Election Day registrations
Bylaws

Membership
- Each state signs membership agreement, pays fee, dues
- Each member has a seat on the ERIC Board of Directors
- Chief elections official appoints state's board member
- Any member may resign at any time with 91 days notice

General
- Board approves budget and annual dues formula
- Officers elected at annual meeting for 1 year terms
- Board may appoint committees
- Privacy and Technology Advisory Board
Membership Agreement

Data
- Send VR and DMV data every 60 days
- Each state must act on reports within 90 days of receipt
- Must order list maintenance reports once every 365 days
- Eligible but Unregistered report before each Federal General
- Suggest moving list maintenance to monthly routine

Reporting
- Online versus paper registration statistics
- Election day activity
- Provisional ballot statistics
- Unregistered outreach
NVRA: National Voter Registration Act

“...each State shall establish procedures to register to vote in elections for Federal office by application made simultaneously with an application for a motor vehicle driver's license pursuant to section 1973gg-3 of this title”

“Each State shall designate agencies for the registration of voters in elections for Federal office.”
DM V specific language in NVRA

NVRA - Section 5

“Each State motor vehicle driver's license application (including any renewal application) submitted to the appropriate State motor vehicle authority under State law shall serve as an application for voter registration with respect to elections for Federal office unless the applicant fails to sign the voter registration application.”
Dept. of Justice NVRA Guidelines:

• “In addition, any change of address form submitted for State driver’s license purposes must also serve as notification of change of address for voter registration purposes unless the registrant states on the form that the change of address is not for voter registration purposes. This means that all changes of address submitted to State motor vehicle offices must be forwarded to election authorities unless the registrant affirmatively requests otherwise by opting out on the form.”

• the NVRA voter registration opportunity applies to applications, renewals, and change of address transactions regarding any personal identification document issued by a State motor vehicle authority.

• to the extent that the State provides for remote applications for driver’s licenses, driver’s license renewals, or driver’s license changes of address, via mail, telephone, or internet or other means, then provision must be made to include the required voter registration opportunity as well.
ERIC Privacy and Security

- An extensive Security Management Plan has been adopted by the ERIC Bd. Of Directors.
- New states, including DMV personnel, are invited to tour data center.
- Privacy and Technology Advisory Board.
Membership Agreement - Privacy

• Reports are to be used only for VR purposes
• Reports are to be kept confidential
• SSN & DOBs are anonymized
• Most sensitive data: Anything from DMV
• State must immediately disclose unauthorized release of data
Membership Agreement – Security Policy

• Any requests for copies of ERIC data should be reported immediately to the chief elections official.

• Accidental or purposeful release of data could be grounds for legal action under the Drivers Protection Policy Act.

• A release of data must be immediately disclosed to the SOS.
Questions and follow-up

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