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PRESS RELEASE:
Governor DeSantis Announces
Florida Will Join ERIC
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Governor Ron DeSantis announced yesterday that Florida will join the Electronic Registration Information Center (ERIC), a non-profit, non-partisan data matching program to improve the accuracy of voter registration lists. Florida is the nation's third-largest state and will be the largest



state to join ERIC, along with 29 other states and the District of Columbia. States that have joined ERIC report having an increase in voter registration rates and more accurate voting lists.

ERIC was designed to improve the integrity of voter rolls by using a secure matching algorithm which compares millions of voter records from one state with those of other participating states. The data can identify voters with dual registrations, which may happen when a person moves to Florida but does not cancel their registration in their previous state of residence. Voters who are registered in two states will be contacted by their local elections official and the appropriate action can be taken to responsibly remove any duplicate voter registrations. Removal of duplicates and ineligible voters is only part of the program. Data matching in the ERIC program can also identify potentially eligible but unregistered voters who have moved but not yet registered or have not changed their registration after moving. Elections officials can use this information to send them information on how to register in their state.

Supervisor Kaiti Lenhart is serving on the ERIC Implementation Committee with the FSASE (Florida State Association of Supervisors of Elections) and will be working with the Florida Department of State to move this process forward for each county in Florida, ahead of the Presidential Election cycle in 2020.