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Senator José Menéndez Files Bill Protecting Voters From “Election Integrity” Commission’s Request for Personal Data

Austin, Texas – State Senator José Menéndez has filed Senate Bill 101: *The Voter Information Privacy Act* to protect Texas voters from losing the privacy and security of their personal information to a campaign of voter suppression and disenfranchisement. The so-called “voter fraud” commission was created to protect the integrity of our election system, but is actually compiling an unprecedented, unprotected national database with an undefined purpose for its use. Currently, forty-five states and the District of Columbia - both red and blue states - have all either refused to release any of the requested voter data or will only provide a portion of voter information to the Commission that is already in the public domain.

The following quote is attributed to Senator José Menéndez:

“Instead of pursuing baseless claims of voter fraud and intimidating American voters through a national hit list, we should be focusing our efforts on modernizing our voting systems and strengthening voter access to the polls. A reported 93 million eligible voters in the 2016 presidential election did not vote. Rather than discourage these potential voters by exposing their private information to cybercriminals and those who would single them out, we should be trying to engage these eligible voters through inclusion.”

“We have a duty to protect Texas voters from the dangerous consequences of releasing personal data to unspecified third parties, and restricting their vote.”

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