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LEGISLATIVE ACTION ALERT

Gov. Tom Wolf rebuffs Trump administration's request for voter data

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According to an article in the Patriot News © Gov. Tom Wolf rebuffed a <u>request Friday by President Donald Trump's Election Integrity Commission</u> for unfettered access to the state's voter rolls.

"The right to vote is absolute and I have no confidence that you seek to bolster it," Wolf wrote, in a letter to Kris Kobach, the commission's vice chair. The article went on to say, Wolf raised a variety of concerns about Kobach's request, saying a wholesale public disclosure would violate state law and that there's no assurance the data would be handled securely.

"Your request implies that your office may undertake a systematic effort to suppress the vote in Pennsylvania," he wrote. The governor also referenced Trump's various false statements about voter integrity. Pennsylvania, he said, already partners with the Pew Charitable Trusts' and the Electric Registration Information Center (ERIC) to safeguard against voter fraud.

"At the end of the day," Wolf wrote, "I would be more interested in hearing from the White House how they are protecting our elections from outside, illegal and international influence, including misinformation disseminated on the Internet." See complete article at: http://www.pennlive.com/politics/index.ssf/2017/06/gov_tom_wolf_rebuffs_trump_adm.html

Link below to see Governor Wolf's response letter as posted in Pennlive®

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