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**Manendo, Mark Assemblyman**

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**From:** Atkinson, Kelvin Assemblyman  
**Sent:** Friday, February 21, 2003 8:31 AM  
**To:** Manendo, Mark Assemblyman  
**Subject:** FW: Nicholas Hansen AB114

Here you go

*Kelvin Atkinson*

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-----Original Message-----

**From:** Christopher Hansen [mailto:sovereign@mykingdom.com]  
**Sent:** Thursday, February 20, 2003 9:10 PM  
**To:** KAtkinson@asm.state.nv.us  
**Subject:** Nicholas Hansen AB114

Dear Kelvin D. Atkinson,

My name is Nicholas Hansen and I am writing to you concerning AB 114 which: Requires sheriffs and constables to be qualified electors and to be at least 21 years of age on date of taking office. (BDR 20-1020)

I am the reason this bill was introduced so I hope you will consider my comments. I believe that proper research has not been done on this bill as to how it may affect other laws on the books. For example you may not know that if the Sheriff cannot fulfill his/her duties that the County Clerk is to fill the position of Sheriff. Therefore if you change the age requirement of Sheriff you must also change the age requirement for County Clerk. Are there any other laws that would be affected? Has complete research been done on this bill to determine all the ramifications?

I honestly do not understand why the legislature would waste the time and money to change this law. The voters of Nevada did not elect me. They decided that I was not qualified. Why is the legislature taking away the right of the voters to decide?

One other thing is that this action will be seen by the Young Independent American Party members as a slap in the face of Young people. We had many young people run for office in 2002 and we learned a lot even though we did not win. This bill would discourage young people from being involved. I ran for Constable because it gave me an opportunity to learn about the process. In that I succeeded. I am now more qualified to run for office because of the experience I gained.

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Please do not take away one of the few opportunities young people have to become involved. Let the voters decide. If, at eighteen, we are old enough to vote and join the armed forces are we not old enough to place our names before the voters and let them decide our qualifications? I believe the voters are old enough to decide our qualifications. Please do not take that right away from the voters.

Thank you,

Nicholas Hansen