
ASSEMBLY BILL NO. 541—COMMITTEE ON ELECTIONS,
PROCEDURES, AND ETHICS

MARCH 24, 2003

Referred to Committee on Elections, Procedures, and Ethics

SUMMARY—Makes various changes relating to elections.
(BDR 24-166)

FISCAL NOTE: Effect on Local Government: No.
Effect on the State: No.

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EXPLANATION – Matter in *bolded italics* is new; matter between brackets ~~omitted material~~ is material to be omitted.

AN ACT relating to elections; requiring the word “Incumbent” to appear following the name of a candidate on a ballot under certain circumstances; requiring certain statewide measures proposed by initiative to appear on the ballot in a certain order; authorizing a voter who requests an absent ballot to authorize another person to return the ballot on his behalf; shortening the period for early voting; prohibiting the Secretary of State and city clerks from requiring candidates, other persons, committees or political parties to list each expenditure or campaign expense of \$100 or less on certain forms; revising the period during which a candidate may solicit or accept or a lobbyist may make or offer to make any monetary contribution before a special session; and providing other matters properly relating thereto.

THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF NEVADA, REPRESENTED IN
SENATE AND ASSEMBLY, DO ENACT AS FOLLOWS:

1 **Section 1.** Chapter 293 of NRS is hereby amended by adding
2 thereto a new section to read as follows:

3 1. *In any election regulated by this chapter, the name of a*
4 *candidate printed on a ballot may be the given name and surname*
5 *of the candidate or a contraction or familiar form of his given*
6 *name followed by his surname. A nickname of not more than 10*



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1 *letters may be incorporated into the name of a candidate. The*
2 *nickname must be in quotation marks and appear immediately*
3 *before the surname of the candidate. A nickname must not*
4 *indicate any political, economic, social or religious view or*
5 *affiliation and must not be the name of any person, living or dead,*
6 *whose reputation is known on a statewide, nationwide or*
7 *worldwide basis, or in any other manner deceive a voter regarding*
8 *the person or principles for which he is voting.*

9 *2. Except as otherwise provided in subsection 3, in any*
10 *election regulated by this chapter, if two or more candidates have*
11 *the same surname or surnames so similar as to be likely to cause*
12 *confusion and one of the candidates is an incumbent, the word*
13 *“Incumbent” must appear immediately following the name of that*
14 *candidate.*

15 *3. Where a system of voting other than by paper ballot is*
16 *used, the Secretary of State may provide for any placement of the*
17 *word “Incumbent” which clearly relates the designation to the*
18 *name of the candidate to whom it applies.*

19 **Sec. 2.** NRS 293.177 is hereby amended to read as follows:

20 293.177 1. Except as otherwise provided in NRS 293.165, a
21 name may not be printed on a ballot to be used at a primary election
22 unless the person named has filed a declaration of candidacy or an
23 acceptance of candidacy, and paid the fee required by NRS 293.193
24 not earlier than the first Monday in May of the year in which the
25 election is to be held nor later than 5 p.m. on the third Monday in
26 May.

27 2. A declaration of candidacy or an acceptance of candidacy
28 required to be filed by this section must be in substantially the
29 following form:

30 (a) For partisan office:

31
32 DECLARATION OF CANDIDACY OF FOR THE
33 OFFICE OF

34
35 State of Nevada
36
37 County of

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39 For the purpose of having my name placed on the official ballot as a
40 candidate for the Party nomination for the office of
41, I, the undersigned, do swear or affirm under penalty
42 of perjury that I actually, as opposed to constructively, reside at
43, in the City or Town of, County of, State of
44 Nevada; that my actual, as opposed to constructive, residence in the
45 state, district, county, township, city or other area prescribed by law



1 to which the office pertains began on a date at least 30 days
 2 immediately preceding the date of the close of filing of declarations
 3 of candidacy for this office; that my telephone number is,
 4 and the address at which I receive mail, if different than my
 5 residence, is; that I am registered as a member of the
 6 Party; that I have not, in violation of the provisions of
 7 NRS 293.176, changed the designation of my political party or
 8 political party affiliation on an official application to register to vote
 9 in any state since September 1 before the closing filing date for this
 10 election; that I generally believe in and intend to support the
 11 concepts found in the principles and policies of that political party in
 12 the coming election; that if nominated as a candidate of the
 13 Party at the ensuing election, I will accept that
 14 nomination and not withdraw; that I will not knowingly violate any
 15 election law or any law defining and prohibiting corrupt and
 16 fraudulent practices in campaigns and elections in this state; that I
 17 will qualify for the office if elected thereto, including, but not
 18 limited to, complying with any limitation prescribed by the
 19 Constitution and laws of this state concerning the number of years
 20 or terms for which a person may hold the office; and that I
 21 understand that my name will appear on all ballots as designated in
 22 this declaration.

23
 24
 25 (Designation of name)

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 28 (Signature of candidate for office)

29
 30 Subscribed and sworn to before me
 31 this day of the month of of the year

32
 33
 34 Notary Public or other person
 35 authorized to administer an oath

36
 37 (b) For nonpartisan office:

38
 39 DECLARATION OF CANDIDACY OF FOR THE
 40 OFFICE OF

41
 42 State of Nevada
 43
 44 County of



1 For the purpose of having my name placed on the official ballot as a
 2 candidate for the office of, I, the undersigned,
 3 do swear or affirm under penalty of perjury that I actually, as
 4 opposed to constructively, reside at, in the City or Town of
 5, County of, State of Nevada; that my actual, as
 6 opposed to constructive, residence in the state, district, county,
 7 township, city or other area prescribed by law to which the office
 8 pertains began on a date at least 30 days immediately preceding the
 9 date of the close of filing of declarations of candidacy for this
 10 office; that my telephone number is, and the address at
 11 which I receive mail, if different than my residence, is; that if
 12 nominated as a nonpartisan candidate at the ensuing election, I will
 13 accept the nomination and not withdraw; that I will not knowingly
 14 violate any election law or any law defining and prohibiting corrupt
 15 and fraudulent practices in campaigns and elections in this state; that
 16 I will qualify for the office if elected thereto, including, but not
 17 limited to, complying with any limitation prescribed by the
 18 Constitution and laws of this state concerning the number of years
 19 or terms for which a person may hold the office; and my name will
 20 appear on all ballots as designated in this declaration.

21
 22
 23 (Designation of name)

24
 25
 26 (Signature of candidate for office)

27
 28 Subscribed and sworn to before me
 29 this day of the month of of the year

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 31
 32 Notary Public or other person
 33 authorized to administer an oath

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 35 3. ~~[A person may be a candidate under his given name and~~
 36 ~~surname, a contraction or familiar form of his given name followed~~
 37 ~~by his surname or the initial of his given name followed by his~~
 38 ~~surname. A nickname of not more than 10 letters may be~~
 39 ~~incorporated into a candidate's name. The nickname must be in~~
 40 ~~quotation marks and appear immediately before the candidate's~~
 41 ~~surname. A nickname must not indicate any political, economic,~~
 42 ~~social or religious view or affiliation and must not be the name of~~
 43 ~~any person, living or dead, whose reputation is known on a~~
 44 ~~statewide, nationwide or worldwide basis, or in any other manner~~



1 ~~deceive a voter regarding the person or principles for which he is~~
2 ~~voting.~~

3 ~~—4.]~~ The address of a candidate which must be included in the
4 declaration of candidacy or acceptance of candidacy pursuant to
5 subsection 2 must be the street address of the residence where he
6 actually, as opposed to constructively, resides in accordance with
7 NRS 281.050, if one has been assigned. The declaration or
8 acceptance of candidacy must not be accepted for filing if the
9 candidate’s address is listed as a post office box unless a street
10 address has not been assigned to his residence.

11 ~~[5.]~~ 4. By filing the declaration or acceptance of candidacy,
12 the candidate shall be deemed to have appointed the filing officer
13 for the office as his agent for service of process for the purposes of a
14 proceeding pursuant to NRS 293.182. Service of such process must
15 first be attempted at the appropriate address as specified by the
16 candidate in the declaration or acceptance of candidacy. If the
17 candidate cannot be served at that address, service must be made by
18 personally delivering to and leaving with the filing officer duplicate
19 copies of the process. The filing officer shall immediately send, by
20 registered or certified mail, one of the copies to the candidate at his
21 specified address, unless the candidate has designated in writing to
22 the filing officer a different address for that purpose, in which case
23 the filing officer shall mail the copy to the last address so
24 designated.

25 **Sec. 3.** NRS 293.267 is hereby amended to read as follows:

26 293.267 1. Ballots for a general election must contain the
27 names of candidates who were nominated at the primary election,
28 the names of the candidates of a minor political party and the names
29 of independent candidates.

30 2. Names of candidates must be grouped alphabetically under
31 the title and length of term of the office for which those candidates
32 filed.

33 3. Except as otherwise provided in subsection 4:

34 (a) Immediately following the name of each candidate for a
35 partisan office must appear the name of his political party or the
36 word “independent,” as the case may be.

37 (b) Immediately following the name of each candidate for a
38 nonpartisan office must appear the word “nonpartisan.”

39 4. Where a system of voting other than by paper ballot is used,
40 the Secretary of State may provide for any placement of the name of
41 the political party or the word “independent” or “nonpartisan” which
42 clearly relates the designation to the name of the candidate to whom
43 it applies.

44 *5. If the Legislature rejects a statewide measure proposed by*
45 *initiative and proposes a different measure on the same subject*



1 *which the Governor approves, the measure proposed by the*
2 *Legislature and approved by the Governor must be listed on the*
3 *ballot before the statewide measure proposed by initiative.*

4 **Sec. 4.** NRS 293.330 is hereby amended to read as follows:

5 293.330 1. Except as otherwise provided in NRS 293.3157
6 and subsection 2 of NRS 293.323 and any regulations adopted
7 pursuant thereto, when an absent voter receives his ballot, he must
8 mark and fold it, if it is a paper ballot, or punch it, if the ballot is
9 voted by punching a card, in accordance with the instructions,
10 deposit it in the return envelope, seal the envelope, affix his
11 signature on the back of the envelope in the space provided therefor
12 and mail the return envelope.

13 2. Except as otherwise provided in subsection 3, if an absent
14 voter who has requested a ballot by mail applies to vote the ballot in
15 person at:

16 (a) The office of the county clerk, he must mark or punch the
17 ballot, seal it in the return envelope and affix his signature in the
18 same manner as provided in subsection 1, and deliver the envelope
19 to the clerk.

20 (b) A polling place, including, without limitation, a polling place
21 for early voting, he must surrender the absent ballot and provide
22 satisfactory identification before being issued a ballot to vote at the
23 polling place. A person who receives a surrendered absent ballot
24 shall mark it "Cancelled."

25 3. If an absent voter who has requested a ballot by mail applies
26 to vote in person at the office of the county clerk or a polling place,
27 including, without limitation, a polling place for early voting, and
28 the voter does not have the absent ballot to deliver or surrender, the
29 voter must be issued a ballot to vote if the voter:

30 (a) Provides satisfactory identification;

31 (b) Is a registered voter who is otherwise entitled to vote; and

32 (c) Signs an affirmation under penalty of perjury on a form
33 prepared by the Secretary of State declaring that the voter has not
34 voted during the election.

35 4. ~~Except as otherwise provided in NRS 293.316, it~~ *It* is
36 unlawful for any person to return an absent ballot other than the
37 voter who requested the absent ballot or ~~[, at the request of] a~~
38 *person whom* the voter ~~[, a member of his family.]~~ *authorizes to*
39 *return the absent ballot on his behalf.* A person who returns an
40 absent ballot ~~[and who is a member of the family] on behalf~~ of the
41 voter who requested the absent ballot shall, under penalty of perjury,
42 indicate on a form prescribed by the county clerk that ~~he is a~~
43 ~~member of the family of]~~ the voter who requested the absent ballot
44 ~~[and that the voter requested that he] authorized him to~~ return the
45 absent ballot ~~[.] on his behalf.~~ A person who violates the provisions



1 of this subsection is guilty of a category E felony and shall be
2 punished as provided in NRS 193.130.

3 **Sec. 5.** NRS 293.3568 is hereby amended to read as follows:

4 293.3568 1. The period for early voting by personal
5 appearance begins the ~~third Saturday~~ *Tuesday* preceding a primary
6 or general election and extends through the Friday before election
7 day, ~~Sundays and~~ holidays excepted.

8 2. The county clerk may ~~[-~~

9 ~~—(a) Include any Sunday or~~ *include any* holiday that falls within
10 the period for early voting by personal appearance.

11 ~~[(b) Require a permanent polling place for early voting to~~
12 ~~remain open until 8 p.m. on any Saturday that falls within the period~~
13 ~~for early voting.]~~

14 3. A permanent polling place for early voting must remain
15 open ~~[-~~

16 ~~—(a) On Monday] on the Tuesday preceding a primary or~~
17 ~~general election through the Friday [-~~

18 ~~—(1) During the first week of early voting, from 8 a.m. until~~
19 ~~6 p.m.~~

20 ~~—(2) During the second week of early voting,] before election~~
21 *day*, from 8 a.m. until 6 p.m. or until 8 p.m. if the county clerk so
22 requires.

23 ~~[(b) On any Saturday that falls within the period for early~~
24 ~~voting, from 10 a.m. until 6 p.m.~~

25 ~~—(c) If the county clerk includes a Sunday that falls within the~~
26 ~~period for early voting pursuant to subsection 2, during such hours~~
27 ~~as he may establish.]~~

28 **Sec. 6.** NRS 293.3576 is hereby amended to read as follows:

29 293.3576 1. The county clerk shall publish during the week
30 before the period for early voting and at least once ~~each week]~~
31 during the period for early voting in a newspaper of general
32 circulation a schedule stating:

33 (a) The location of each permanent and temporary polling place
34 for early voting and the election precincts served by each location.

35 (b) The dates and hours that early voting will be conducted at
36 each location.

37 2. The county clerk shall post a copy of the schedule on the
38 bulletin board used for posting notice of meetings of the board of
39 county commissioners. The schedule must be posted continuously
40 for a period beginning not later than the fifth day before the first day
41 of the period for early voting by personal appearance and ending on
42 the last day of that period.

43 3. The county clerk shall make copies of the schedule available
44 to the public in reasonable quantities without charge during the
45 period of posting.



1 4. No additional polling places for early voting may be
2 established after the schedule is published pursuant to this section.

3 **Sec. 7.** NRS 293.3602 is hereby amended to read as follows:

4 293.3602 If paper ballots or ballots which are voted by
5 punching a card are used during the period for early voting by
6 personal appearance:

7 1. Each voting day during that period, the ballots voted at the
8 permanent or temporary polling place may be removed from the
9 ballot box and neatly stacked in a container that is sealed with a
10 numbered seal after the ballots are stacked inside. The ballot box or
11 sealed container must be delivered by an election board officer to
12 the county clerk's office at the close of each voting day. The seal on
13 the ballot box or container must indicate the number of voted ballots
14 contained in that box or container for that day.

15 2. When the ballot box or container is delivered pursuant to
16 subsection 1, the county clerk shall provide a new ballot box sealed
17 in the manner prescribed in NRS 293.359.

18 3. At the close of each ~~{voting day before the fourth voting day~~
19 ~~before the last day to vote early, the county clerk may deliver all~~
20 ~~ballots voted to the ballot board for early voting. At the close of the~~
21 ~~fourth voting day] of the first 3 voting days~~ before the last day to
22 vote early , ~~[and at the close of each of the 3 days thereafter,]~~ the
23 county clerk shall deliver all ballots voted to the ballot board for
24 early voting. At the close of the last voting day, the county clerk
25 shall deliver to the ballot board for early voting:

26 (a) Each remaining ballot box and container that holds the
27 ballots voted early by personal appearance;

28 (b) A voting roster of all persons who voted early by personal
29 appearance; and

30 (c) Any list of registered voters used in conducting early voting.

31 4. Upon the receipt of ballots, the board shall:

32 (a) Remove all ballots from the ballot boxes and containers and
33 sort the ballots by precinct or voting district;

34 (b) Count the number of ballots by precinct or voting district;

35 (c) Account for all ballots on an official statement of ballots;
36 and

37 (d) Place all official ballots in the container provided to
38 transport those items to a central counting place and seal the
39 container with a numbered seal. The official statement of ballots
40 must accompany the voted ballots to the central counting place.

41 5. The county clerk shall allow members of the general public
42 to observe the handling of the ballots pursuant to subsections 1 and
43 4 if those members do not interfere with the handling of the ballots.



1 **Sec. 8.** NRS 293C.185 is hereby amended to read as follows:
2 293C.185 1. Except as otherwise provided in NRS 293C.190,
3 a name may not be printed on a ballot to be used at a primary city
4 election, unless the person named has filed a declaration of
5 candidacy or an acceptance of candidacy and paid the fee
6 established by the governing body of the city not earlier than 70
7 days before the primary city election and not later than 5 p.m. on the
8 60th day before the primary city election.
9 2. A declaration of candidacy required to be filed by this
10 section must be in substantially the following form:

11
12 DECLARATION OF CANDIDACY OF FOR THE
13 OFFICE OF

14
15 State of Nevada
16
17 City of

18
19 For the purpose of having my name placed on the official ballot as a
20 candidate for the office of, I, the undersigned,
21 do swear or affirm under penalty of perjury that I actually, as
22 opposed to constructively, reside at, in the City or
23 Town of, County of, State of Nevada; that my
24 actual, as opposed to constructive, residence in the city, township or
25 other area prescribed by law to which the office pertains began on a
26 date at least 30 days immediately preceding the date of the close of
27 filing of declarations of candidacy for this office; that my telephone
28 number is, and the address at which I receive mail, if
29 different than my residence, is; that if nominated as a
30 candidate at the ensuing election I will accept the nomination and
31 not withdraw; that I will not knowingly violate any election law or
32 any law defining and prohibiting corrupt and fraudulent practices in
33 campaigns and elections in this state; that I will qualify for the
34 office if elected thereto, including, but not limited to, complying
35 with any limitation prescribed by the Constitution and laws of this
36 state concerning the number of years or terms for which a person
37 may hold the office; and my name will appear on all ballots as
38 designated in this declaration.

39
40
41 (Designation of name)
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43
44 (Signature of candidate for office)



1 Subscribed and sworn to before me
2 this day of the month of of the year

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5 Notary Public or other person
6 authorized to administer an oath
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8 3. ~~[A person may be a candidate under his given name and~~
9 ~~surname, a contraction or familiar form of his given name followed~~
10 ~~by his surname or the initial of his given name followed by his~~
11 ~~surname. A nickname of not more than 10 letters may be~~
12 ~~incorporated into a candidate's name. The nickname must be in~~
13 ~~quotation marks and appear immediately before the candidate's~~
14 ~~surname. A nickname must not indicate any political, economic,~~
15 ~~social or religious view or affiliation and must not be the name of~~
16 ~~any person, living or dead, whose reputation is known on a~~
17 ~~statewide, nationwide or worldwide basis, or in any other manner~~
18 ~~deceive a voter concerning the person or principles for which he is~~
19 ~~voting.~~

20 ~~—4.]~~ The address of a candidate that must be included in the
21 declaration or acceptance of candidacy pursuant to subsection 2
22 must be the street address of the residence where he actually, as
23 opposed to constructively, resides in accordance with NRS 281.050,
24 if one has been assigned. The declaration or acceptance of
25 candidacy must not be accepted for filing if the candidate's address
26 is listed as a post office box unless a street address has not been
27 assigned to his residence.

28 ~~[5.]~~ 4. By filing the declaration or acceptance of candidacy,
29 the candidate shall be deemed to have appointed the city clerk as his
30 agent for service of process for the purposes of a proceeding
31 pursuant to NRS 293C.186. Service of such process must first be
32 attempted at the appropriate address as specified by the candidate in
33 the declaration or acceptance of candidacy. If the candidate cannot
34 be served at that address, service must be made by personally
35 delivering to and leaving with the city clerk duplicate copies of the
36 process. The city clerk shall immediately send, by registered or
37 certified mail, one of the copies to the candidate at his specified
38 address, unless the candidate has designated in writing to the city
39 clerk a different address for that purpose, in which case the city
40 clerk shall mail the copy to the last address so designated.

41 **Sec. 9.** NRS 293C.330 is hereby amended to read as follows:
42 293C.330 1. Except as otherwise provided in NRS 293C.315
43 and subsection 2 of NRS 293C.322 and any regulations adopted
44 pursuant thereto, when an absent voter receives his ballot, he must
45 mark and fold it, if it is a paper ballot, or punch it, if the ballot is



1 voted by punching a card, in accordance with the instructions,
2 deposit it in the return envelope, seal the envelope, affix his
3 signature on the back of the envelope in the space provided therefor
4 and mail the return envelope.

5 2. Except as otherwise provided in subsection 3, if an absent
6 voter who has requested a ballot by mail applies to vote the ballot in
7 person at:

8 (a) The office of the city clerk, he must mark or punch the
9 ballot, seal it in the return envelope and affix his signature in the
10 same manner as provided in subsection 1, and deliver the envelope
11 to the city clerk.

12 (b) A polling place, including, without limitation, a polling place
13 for early voting, he must surrender the absent ballot and provide
14 satisfactory identification before being issued a ballot to vote at the
15 polling place. A person who receives a surrendered absent ballot
16 shall mark it "Cancelled."

17 3. If an absent voter who has requested a ballot by mail applies
18 to vote in person at the office of the city clerk or a polling place,
19 including, without limitation, a polling place for early voting, and
20 the voter does not have the absent ballot to deliver or surrender, the
21 voter must be issued a ballot to vote if the voter:

- 22 (a) Provides satisfactory identification;
- 23 (b) Is a registered voter who is otherwise entitled to vote; and
- 24 (c) Signs an affirmation under penalty of perjury on a form
25 prepared by the Secretary of State declaring that the voter has not
26 voted during the election.

27 4. ~~Except as otherwise provided in NRS 293C.317, it~~ *It* is
28 unlawful for any person to return an absent ballot other than the
29 voter who requested the absent ballot or ~~[, at the request of] a~~
30 *person whom* the voter ~~[, a member of his family.]~~ *authorizes to*
31 *return the absent ballot on his behalf.* A person who returns an
32 absent ballot ~~[and who is a member of the family]~~ *on behalf* of the
33 voter who requested the absent ballot shall, under penalty of perjury,
34 indicate on a form prescribed by the city clerk that ~~[he is a member~~
35 ~~of the family of]~~ the voter who requested the absent ballot ~~[and that~~
36 ~~the voter requested that he]~~ *authorized him to* return the absent
37 ballot ~~[.]~~ *on his behalf.* A person who violates the provisions of this
38 subsection is guilty of a category E felony and shall be punished as
39 provided in NRS 193.130.

40 **Sec. 10.** NRS 293C.3568 is hereby amended to read as
41 follows:

42 293C.3568 1. The period for early voting by personal
43 appearance begins the ~~[third Saturday]~~ *Tuesday* preceding a primary
44 city election or general city election, and extends through the Friday
45 before election day, ~~[Sundays and]~~ holidays excepted.



1 2. The city clerk may ~~[-~~
2 ~~(a) Include any Sunday or~~ *include any* holiday that falls within
3 the period for early voting by personal appearance.
4 ~~[(b) Require a permanent polling place for early voting to~~
5 ~~remain open until 8 p.m. on any Saturday that falls within the period~~
6 ~~for early voting.]~~
7 3. A permanent polling place for early voting must remain
8 open ~~[-~~
9 ~~(a) On Monday~~ *on the Tuesday preceding a primary city*
10 *election or general city election* through ~~the~~ Friday ~~[-~~
11 ~~(1) During the first week of early voting, from 8 a.m. until~~
12 ~~6 p.m.~~
13 ~~(2) During the second week of early voting,~~ *before election*
14 *day*, from 8 a.m. until 6 p.m. or until 8 p.m. if the city clerk so
15 requires.
16 ~~[- (b) On any Saturday that falls within the period for early voting,~~
17 ~~from 10 a.m. until 6 p.m.~~
18 ~~(c) If the city clerk includes a Sunday that falls within the period~~
19 ~~for early voting pursuant to subsection 2, during such hours as he~~
20 ~~may establish.]~~

21 **Sec. 11.** NRS 293C.3576 is hereby amended to read as
22 follows:

23 293C.3576 1. The city clerk shall publish during the week
24 before the period for early voting and at least once ~~[each week]~~
25 during the period for early voting in a newspaper of general
26 circulation a schedule stating:

- 27 (a) The location of each permanent and temporary polling place
28 for early voting and the election precincts served by each location.
- 29 (b) The dates and hours that early voting will be conducted at
30 each location.

31 2. The city clerk shall post a copy of the schedule on the
32 bulletin board used for posting notice of the meetings of the city
33 council. The schedule must be posted continuously for a period
34 beginning not later than the fifth day before the first day of the
35 period for early voting by personal appearance and ending on the
36 last day of that period.

37 3. The city clerk shall make copies of the schedule available to
38 the public in reasonable quantities without charge during the period
39 of posting.

40 4. No additional polling places for early voting may be
41 established after the schedule is published pursuant to this section.



1 **Sec. 12.** NRS 293C.3602 is hereby amended to read as
2 follows:

3 293C.3602 If paper ballots or ballots which are voted by
4 punching a card are used during the period for early voting by
5 personal appearance:

6 1. Each voting day during that period, the ballots voted at the
7 permanent or temporary polling place may be removed from the
8 ballot box and neatly stacked in a container that is sealed with a
9 numbered seal after the ballots are stacked inside. The ballot box or
10 sealed container must be delivered by an election board officer to
11 the city clerk's office at the close of each voting day. The seal on the
12 ballot box or container must indicate the number of voted ballots
13 contained in that box or container for that day.

14 2. When the ballot box or container is delivered pursuant to
15 subsection 1, the city clerk shall provide a new ballot box sealed in
16 the manner prescribed in NRS 293C.359.

17 3. At the close of each ~~{voting day before the fourth voting day~~
18 ~~before the last day to vote early, the city clerk may deliver all ballots~~
19 ~~voted to the ballot board for early voting. At the close of the fourth~~
20 ~~voting day} of the first 3 voting days before the last day to vote~~
21 ~~early, {and at the close of each of the 3 days thereafter,}~~ the city
22 clerk shall deliver all ballots voted to the ballot board for early
23 voting. At the close of the last voting day, the city clerk shall deliver
24 to the ballot board for early voting:

25 (a) Each remaining ballot box and container that holds the
26 ballots voted early by personal appearance;

27 (b) A voting roster of all persons who voted early by personal
28 appearance; and

29 (c) Any list of registered voters used in conducting early voting.

30 4. Upon the receipt of ballots, the board shall:

31 (a) Remove all ballots from the ballot boxes and containers and
32 sort the ballots by precinct or voting district;

33 (b) Count the number of ballots by precinct or voting district;

34 (c) Account for all ballots on an official statement of ballots;
35 and

36 (d) Place all official ballots in the container provided to
37 transport those items to a central counting place and seal the
38 container with a numbered seal. The official statement of ballots
39 must accompany the voted ballots to the central counting place.

40 5. The city clerk shall allow members of the general public to
41 observe the handling of the ballots pursuant to subsections 1 and 4 if
42 those members do not interfere with the handling of the ballots.



1 **Sec. 13.** Chapter 294A of NRS is hereby amended by adding
2 thereto a new section to read as follows:

3 *The Secretary of State and a city clerk shall not request or*
4 *require a candidate, person, group of persons, committee or*
5 *political party to list each of the expenditures or campaign*
6 *expenses of \$100 or less on a form designed and provided*
7 *pursuant to NRS 294A.125, 294A.200, 294A.210, 294A.220,*
8 *294A.280, 294A.360 or 294A.362.*

9 **Sec. 14.** NRS 294A.300 is hereby amended to read as follows:

10 294A.300 1. It is unlawful for a member of the Legislature,
11 the Lieutenant Governor, the Lieutenant Governor-Elect, the
12 Governor or the Governor-Elect to solicit or accept any monetary
13 contribution, or solicit or accept a commitment to make such a
14 contribution for any political purpose during the period beginning:

15 (a) Thirty days before a regular session of the Legislature and
16 ending 30 days after the final adjournment of a regular session of
17 the Legislature; ~~or~~

18 (b) *Fifteen days before a special session of the Legislature is*
19 *set to commence and ending 15 days after the final adjournment*
20 *of a special session of the Legislature, if the Governor sets a*
21 *specific date for the commencement of the special session that is*
22 *more than 15 days after the Governor issues the proclamation*
23 *calling for the special session; or*

24 (c) The day after the Governor issues a proclamation calling for
25 a special session of the Legislature and ending 15 days after the
26 final adjournment of a special session of the Legislature ~~or~~ *if the*
27 *Governor does not set a specific date for the commencement of*
28 *the special session or the Governor sets a specific date for the*
29 *commencement of the special session that is 15 or fewer days after*
30 *the Governor issues the proclamation calling for the special*
31 *session.*

32 2. This section does not prohibit the payment of a salary or
33 other compensation or income to a member of the Legislature, the
34 Lieutenant Governor or the Governor during a session of the
35 Legislature if it is made for services provided as a part of his regular
36 employment or is additional income to which he is entitled.

37 **Sec. 15.** NRS 294A.310 is hereby amended to read as follows:

38 294A.310 1. A member of an organization whose primary
39 purpose is to provide support for Legislators of a particular political
40 party and house shall not solicit or accept contributions on behalf of
41 the Legislators or the organization, or solicit or accept a
42 commitment to make such a contribution during the period
43 beginning:



1 (a) Thirty days before a regular session of the Legislature and
2 ending 30 days after the final adjournment of a regular session of
3 the Legislature; ~~or~~

4 (b) *Fifteen days before a special session of the Legislature is*
5 *set to commence and ending 15 days after the final adjournment*
6 *of a special session of the Legislature, if the Governor sets a*
7 *specific date for the commencement of the special session that is*
8 *more than 15 days after the Governor issues the proclamation*
9 *calling for the special session; or*

10 (c) The day after the Governor issues a proclamation calling for
11 a special session of the Legislature and ending 15 days after the
12 final adjournment of a special session of the Legislature ~~or~~ *if the*
13 *Governor does not set a specific date for the commencement of*
14 *the special session or the Governor sets a specific date for the*
15 *commencement of the special session that is 15 or fewer days after*
16 *the Governor issues the proclamation calling for the special*
17 *session.*

18 2. A person shall not make or commit to make a contribution
19 or commitment prohibited by subsection 1.

20 3. A person shall not accept a contribution on behalf of another
21 person to avoid the prohibitions of this section.

22 **Sec. 16.** NRS 218.942 is hereby amended to read as follows:

23 218.942 1. A lobbyist shall not knowingly or willfully make
24 any false statement or misrepresentation of facts:

25 (a) To any member of the Legislative Branch in an effort to
26 persuade or influence him in his official actions.

27 (b) In a registration statement or report concerning lobbying
28 activities filed with the Director.

29 2. A lobbyist shall not give to a member of the Legislative
30 Branch or a member of his staff or immediate family gifts that
31 exceed \$100 in value in the aggregate in any calendar year.

32 3. A member of the Legislative Branch or a member of his
33 staff or immediate family shall not solicit anything of value from a
34 registrant or accept any gift that exceeds \$100 in aggregate value in
35 any calendar year.

36 4. A person who employs or uses a lobbyist shall not make that
37 lobbyist's compensation or reimbursement contingent in any manner
38 upon the outcome of any legislative action.

39 5. Except during the period permitted by NRS 218.918, a
40 person shall not knowingly act as a lobbyist without being registered
41 as required by that section.



1 6. Except as otherwise provided in subsection 7, a member of
2 the Legislative or Executive Branch of the State Government and an
3 elected officer or employee of a political subdivision shall not
4 receive compensation or reimbursement other than from the State or
5 the political subdivision for personally engaging in lobbying.

6 7. An elected officer or employee of a political subdivision
7 may receive compensation or reimbursement from any organization
8 whose membership consists of elected or appointed public officers.

9 8. A lobbyist shall not instigate the introduction of any
10 legislation for the purpose of obtaining employment to lobby in
11 opposition thereto.

12 9. A lobbyist shall not make, commit to make or offer to make
13 a monetary contribution to a member of the Legislature, the
14 Lieutenant Governor, the Lieutenant Governor-elect, the Governor
15 or the Governor-elect during the period beginning:

16 (a) Thirty days before a regular session of the Legislature and
17 ending 30 days after the final adjournment of a regular session of
18 the Legislature; ~~{or}~~

19 (b) *Fifteen days before a special session of the Legislature is*
20 *set to commence and ending 15 days after the final adjournment*
21 *of a special session of the Legislature, if the Governor sets a*
22 *specific date for the commencement of the special session that is*
23 *more than 15 days after the Governor issues the proclamation*
24 *calling for the special session; or*

25 (c) The day after the Governor issues a proclamation calling for
26 a special session of the Legislature and ending 15 days after the
27 final adjournment of a special session of the Legislature ~~{;}~~ *if the*
28 *Governor does not set a specific date for the commencement of*
29 *the special session or the Governor sets a specific date for the*
30 *commencement of the special session that is 15 or fewer days after*
31 *the Governor issues the proclamation calling for the special*
32 *session.*

33 **Sec. 17.** Section 5.050 of the Charter of the City of Caliente,
34 being chapter 31, Statutes of Nevada 1971, at page 67, is hereby
35 amended to read as follows:

36 Sec. 5.050 Names on ballots.

37 1. The full names of all candidates, except those who
38 have withdrawn, died or become ineligible, ~~{shall}~~ *must* be
39 printed on the official ballots without party designation or
40 symbol. ~~{The use of nicknames in conjunction with the~~
41 ~~candidates' legal names is allowed and the nicknames may be~~
42 ~~printed on the official ballots.}~~

43 2. If two or more candidates have the same surname or
44 surnames so similar as to be likely to cause confusion ~~{;}~~ *and:*



1 (a) *None of them is an incumbent*, their residence
2 addresses ~~{shall}~~ *must* be printed with their names on the
3 ballot ~~{;}~~ *or*

4 (b) *One of them is an incumbent, the word "Incumbent"*
5 *must appear immediately following the name of that*
6 *candidate.*

7 **Sec. 18.** Section 5.050 of the Charter of the City of Carson,
8 being chapter 213, Statutes of Nevada 1969, at page 305, is hereby
9 amended to read as follows:

10 Sec. 5.050 Names on ballots.

11 1. The full names of all candidates, except those who
12 have withdrawn, died or become ineligible, ~~{shall}~~ *must*
13 be printed on the official ballots without party designation or
14 symbol. ~~{The use of nicknames in conjunction with the~~
15 ~~candidates' legal names is allowed and nicknames may be~~
16 ~~printed on the official ballots.}~~

17 2. If two or more candidates have the same surname or
18 surnames so similar as to be likely to cause confusion ~~{;}~~ *and:*

19 (a) *None of them is an incumbent*, their residence
20 addresses ~~{shall}~~ *must* be printed with their names on the
21 ballot ~~{;}~~ *or*

22 (b) *One of them is an incumbent, the word "Incumbent"*
23 *must appear immediately following the name of that*
24 *candidate.*

25 **Sec. 19.** Section 5.040 of the Charter of the City of Elko,
26 being chapter 276, Statutes of Nevada 1971, at page 488, is hereby
27 amended to read as follows:

28 Sec. 5.040 Names on ballots.

29 1. The full names of all candidates, except those who
30 have withdrawn, died or become ineligible, ~~{shall}~~ *must*
31 be printed on the official ballots without party designation or
32 symbol. ~~{The use of nicknames in conjunction with the~~
33 ~~candidates' legal names is allowed and the nicknames may be~~
34 ~~printed on the official ballots.}~~

35 2. If two or more candidates have the same surname or
36 surnames so similar as to be likely to cause confusion ~~{;}~~ *and:*

37 (a) *None of them is an incumbent*, their residence
38 addresses ~~{shall}~~ *must* be printed with their names on the
39 ballot ~~{;}~~ *or*



1 ***(b) One of them is an incumbent, the word “Incumbent”***
2 ***must appear immediately following the name of that***
3 ***candidate.***

4 **Sec. 20.** Section 5.050 of the Charter of the City of Henderson,
5 being chapter 266, Statutes of Nevada 1971, as amended by chapter
6 596, Statutes of Nevada 1995, at page 2215, is hereby amended to
7 read as follows:

8 Sec. 5.050 Names on ballots.

9 **1.** The full names of all candidates, except those who
10 have withdrawn, died or become ineligible, must be printed
11 on the official ballots without party designation or symbol.
12 ~~{The use of nicknames in conjunction with the candidates’~~
13 ~~legal names is allowed and the nicknames may be printed on~~
14 ~~the official ballots in accordance with the provisions of~~
15 ~~NRS 293.177.}~~

16 **2.** If two or more candidates have the same surname or
17 surnames so similar as to be likely to cause confusion ~~{}~~ **and:**

18 ***(a) None of them is an incumbent,*** their residence
19 addresses must be printed with their names on the ballot ~~{}~~ ;
20 **or**

21 ***(b) One of them is an incumbent, the word “Incumbent”***
22 ***must appear immediately following the name of that***
23 ***candidate.***

24 **Sec. 21.** Section 5.050 of the Charter of the City of Las Vegas,
25 being chapter 517, Statutes of Nevada 1983, at page 1415, is hereby
26 amended to read as follows:

27 Sec. 5.050 Names on ballots.

28 **1.** The full names of all of the candidates, except those
29 who have withdrawn, died or become ineligible, must be
30 printed on the official ballots without party designation or
31 symbol. ~~{The use of nicknames in conjunction with the~~
32 ~~candidates’ legal names is allowed, and the nicknames may~~
33 ~~be printed with the legal names on the official ballots.}~~

34 **2.** If two or more candidates have the same name or
35 names which are so similar as likely to cause confusion ~~{}~~ **and:**
36 **and:**

37 ***(a) None of them is an incumbent,*** their residence
38 addresses must be printed with their names on the ballots ~~{}~~ ;
39 **or**

40 ***(b) One of them is an incumbent, the word “Incumbent”***
41 ***must appear immediately following the name of that***
42 ***candidate.***



1 **Sec. 22.** Section 5.050 of the Charter of the City of North Las
2 Vegas, being chapter 573, Statutes of Nevada 1971, as amended by
3 chapter 723, Statutes of Nevada 1973, at page 1442, is hereby
4 amended to read as follows:

5 Sec. 5.050 Names on ballots.

6 **1.** The full names of all candidates, except those who
7 have withdrawn, died or become ineligible, ~~{shall}~~ **must** be
8 printed on the official ballots without party designation or
9 symbol. ~~{The use of nicknames in conjunction with the~~
10 ~~candidates' legal names is allowed and the nicknames may be~~
11 ~~printed on the official ballots.}~~

12 **2.** If two or more candidates have the same surname or
13 surnames so similar as to be likely to cause confusion ~~{}~~ **and:**

14 **(a) None of them is an incumbent,** their residence
15 addresses ~~{shall}~~ **must** be printed with their names on the
16 ballot ~~{}~~; **or**

17 **(b) One of them is an incumbent, the word "Incumbent"**
18 **must appear immediately following the name of that**
19 **candidate.**

20 **3.** In any election regulated by this Charter, the names of
21 candidates as printed on the ballot shall not include any title,
22 designation or other reference which will indicate the profession or
23 occupation of such candidates.

24 **Sec. 23.** Section 5.050 of the Charter of the City of Reno,
25 being chapter 662, Statutes of Nevada 1971, at page 1978, is hereby
26 amended to read as follows:

27 Sec. 5.050 Names on ballots.

28 **1.** The full names of all candidates, except those who
29 have withdrawn, died or become ineligible, ~~{shall}~~ **must** be
30 printed on the official ballots without party designation or
31 symbol. ~~{The use of nicknames in conjunction with the~~
32 ~~candidates' legal names is allowed and the nicknames may be~~
33 ~~printed on the official ballots.}~~

34 **2.** If two or more candidates have the same surname or
35 surnames so similar as to be likely to cause confusion ~~{}~~ **and:**

36 **(a) None of them is an incumbent,** their residence
37 addresses ~~{shall}~~ **must** be printed with their names on the
38 ballot ~~{}~~; **or**

39 **(b) One of them is an incumbent, the word "Incumbent"**
40 **must appear immediately following the name of that**
41 **candidate.**



1 **Sec. 24.** Section 5.050 of the Charter of the City of Sparks,
2 being chapter 470, Statutes of Nevada 1975, at page 736, is hereby
3 amended to read as follows:

4 Sec. 5.050 Names on ballots.

5 **1.** The full names of all candidates, except those who
6 have withdrawn, died or become ineligible, ~~{shall}~~ **must** be
7 printed on the official ballots without party designation or
8 symbol. ~~{The use of nicknames in conjunction with the~~
9 ~~candidates' legal names is allowed and the nicknames may be~~
10 ~~printed on the official ballots.}~~

11 **2.** If two or more candidates have the same surname ~~{}~~
12 or surnames so similar as to be likely to cause confusion ~~{}~~
13 **and:**

14 **(a) None of them is an incumbent,** their residence
15 addresses ~~{shall}~~ **must** be printed with their names on the
16 ballot ~~{}~~; **or**

17 **(b) One of them is an incumbent, the word "Incumbent"**
18 **must appear immediately following the name of that**
19 **candidate.**

20 **Sec. 25.** Section 5.040 of the Charter of the City of Wells,
21 being chapter 275, Statutes of Nevada 1971, at page 470, is hereby
22 amended to read as follows:

23 Sec. 5.040 Names on ballots.

24 **1.** The full names of all candidates, except those who
25 have withdrawn, died or become ineligible, ~~{shall}~~ **must** be
26 printed on the official ballots without party designation or
27 symbol. ~~{The use of nicknames in conjunction with the~~
28 ~~candidates' legal names is allowed and the nicknames may be~~
29 ~~printed on the official ballots.}~~

30 **2.** If two or more candidates have the same surname or
31 surnames so similar as to be likely to cause confusion ~~{}~~ **and:**

32 **(a) None of them is an incumbent,** their residence
33 addresses ~~{shall}~~ **must** be printed with their names on the
34 ballot ~~{}~~; **or**

35 **(b) One of them is an incumbent, the word "Incumbent"**
36 **must appear immediately following the name of that**
37 **candidate.**

38 **Sec. 26.** Section 5.040 of the Charter of the City of Yerington,
39 being chapter 465, Statutes of Nevada 1971, at page 912, is hereby
40 amended to read as follows:

41 Sec. 5.040 Names on ballots.

42 **1.** The full names of all candidates, except those who
43 have withdrawn, died or become ineligible, ~~{shall}~~ **must** be
44 printed on the official ballots without party designation or
45 symbol. ~~{The use of nicknames in conjunction with the~~



1 ~~candidates' legal names is allowed and the nicknames may be~~
2 ~~printed on the official ballots.]~~

3 2. If two or more candidates have the same surname or
4 surnames so similar as to be likely to cause confusion [.] **and:**

5 (a) *None of them is an incumbent,* their residence
6 addresses ~~[shall]~~ **must** be printed with their names on the
7 ballot [.] ; **or**

8 (b) *One of them is an incumbent, the word "Incumbent"*
9 **must appear immediately following the name of that**
10 **candidate.**

