

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

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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; providing a manner for distinguishing candidates on a ballot who have the same or similar surnames; 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; extending the period for registering to vote; 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. Except as otherwise provided in subsection 2, in any*
4 *election regulated by this chapter, the name of a candidate printed*
5 *on a ballot may be the given name and surname of the candidate*



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1 *or a contraction or familiar form of his given name followed by*
2 *his surname. A nickname of not more than 10 letters may be*
3 *incorporated into the name of a candidate. The nickname must be*
4 *in quotation marks and appear immediately before the surname of*
5 *the candidate. A nickname must not indicate any political,*
6 *economic, social or religious view or affiliation and must not be*
7 *the name of any person, living or dead, whose reputation is known*
8 *on a statewide, nationwide or worldwide basis, or in any other*
9 *manner deceive a voter regarding the person or principles for*
10 *which he is voting.*

11 2. *Except as otherwise provided in subsection 3, in any*
12 *election regulated by this chapter, if two or more candidates have*
13 *the same surname or surnames so similar as to be likely to cause*
14 *confusion and:*

15 (a) *None of the candidates is an incumbent, the middle names*
16 *or middle initials, if any, of the candidates must be included in the*
17 *names of the candidates as printed on the ballot; or*

18 (b) *One of the candidates is an incumbent, the name of the*
19 *incumbent must be listed first and must be printed in bold type.*

20 3. *Where a system of voting other than by paper ballot is used*
21 *and the provisions of paragraph (b) of subsection 2 are applicable,*
22 *the Secretary of State may distinguish a candidate who is an*
23 *incumbent in a manner other than printing the name of the*
24 *incumbent in bold type provided that the manner used clearly*
25 *emphasizes the name of the incumbent in a manner similar to*
26 *printing his name in bold type.*

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

28 293.177 1. Except as otherwise provided in NRS 293.165, a
29 name may not be printed on a ballot to be used at a primary election
30 unless the person named has filed a declaration of candidacy or an
31 acceptance of candidacy, and paid the fee required by NRS 293.193
32 not earlier than the first Monday in May of the year in which the
33 election is to be held nor later than 5 p.m. on the third Monday in
34 May.

35 2. A declaration of candidacy or an acceptance of candidacy
36 required to be filed by this section must be in substantially the
37 following form:

38 (a) For partisan office:

39
40 DECLARATION OF CANDIDACY OF FOR THE
41 OFFICE OF

42
43 State of Nevada
44
45 County of



1 For the purpose of having my name placed on the official ballot as a
2 candidate for the Party nomination for the office of
3, I, the undersigned, do swear or affirm under penalty
4 of perjury that I actually, as opposed to constructively, reside at
5, in the City or Town of, County of, State of
6 Nevada; that my actual, as opposed to constructive, residence in the
7 state, district, county, township, city or other area prescribed by law
8 to which the office pertains began on a date at least 30 days
9 immediately preceding the date of the close of filing of declarations
10 of candidacy for this office; that my telephone number is,
11 and the address at which I receive mail, if different than my
12 residence, is; that I am registered as a member of the
13 Party; that I have not, in violation of the provisions of
14 NRS 293.176, changed the designation of my political party or
15 political party affiliation on an official application to register to vote
16 in any state since September 1 before the closing filing date for this
17 election; that I generally believe in and intend to support the
18 concepts found in the principles and policies of that political party in
19 the coming election; that if nominated as a candidate of the
20 Party at the ensuing election, I will accept that
21 nomination and not withdraw; that I will not knowingly violate any
22 election law or any law defining and prohibiting corrupt and
23 fraudulent practices in campaigns and elections in this state; that I
24 will qualify for the office if elected thereto, including, but not
25 limited to, complying with any limitation prescribed by the
26 Constitution and laws of this state concerning the number of years
27 or terms for which a person may hold the office; and that I
28 understand that my name will appear on all ballots as designated in
29 this declaration.

30
31
32 (Designation of name)
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35 (Signature of candidate for office)
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37 Subscribed and sworn to before me
38 this day of the month of of the year

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41 Notary Public or other person
42 authorized to administer an oath
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45 (b) For nonpartisan office:



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

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

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

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

31 293.267 1. Ballots for a general election must contain the
32 names of candidates who were nominated at the primary election,
33 the names of the candidates of a minor political party and the names
34 of independent candidates.

35 2. Names of candidates must be grouped alphabetically under
36 the title and length of term of the office for which those candidates
37 filed.

38 3. Except as otherwise provided in subsection 4:

39 (a) Immediately following the name of each candidate for a
40 partisan office must appear the name of his political party or the
41 word "independent," as the case may be.

42 (b) Immediately following the name of each candidate for a
43 nonpartisan office must appear the word "nonpartisan."

44 4. Where a system of voting other than by paper ballot is used,
45 the Secretary of State may provide for any placement of the name of



1 the political party or the word “independent” or “nonpartisan” which
2 clearly relates the designation to the name of the candidate to whom
3 it applies.

4 *5. If the Legislature rejects a statewide measure proposed by*
5 *initiative and proposes a different measure on the same subject*
6 *which the Governor approves, the measure proposed by the*
7 *Legislature and approved by the Governor must be listed on the*
8 *ballot before the statewide measure proposed by initiative. Each*
9 *ballot and sample ballot upon which the measures appear must*
10 *contain a statement that reads substantially as follows:*

11 *The following questions are alternative approaches to the same*
12 *issue and only one approach may be enacted into law. Please vote*
13 *for only one.*

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

15 293.330 1. Except as otherwise provided in NRS 293.3157
16 and subsection 2 of NRS 293.323 and any regulations adopted
17 pursuant thereto, when an absent voter receives his ballot, he must
18 mark and fold it, if it is a paper ballot, or punch it, if the ballot is
19 voted by punching a card, in accordance with the instructions,
20 deposit it in the return envelope, seal the envelope, affix his
21 signature on the back of the envelope in the space provided therefor
22 and mail the return envelope.

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

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

30 (b) A polling place, including, without limitation, a polling place
31 for early voting, he must surrender the absent ballot and provide
32 satisfactory identification before being issued a ballot to vote at the
33 polling place. A person who receives a surrendered absent ballot
34 shall mark it “Cancelled.”

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

40 (a) Provides satisfactory identification;

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

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



1 4. ~~Except as otherwise provided in NRS 293.316, it~~ *It* is
2 unlawful for any person to return an absent ballot other than the
3 voter who requested the absent ballot or ~~at the request of~~ *a*
4 *person whom* the voter ~~is a member of his family.~~ *authorizes to*
5 *return the absent ballot on his behalf.* A person who returns an
6 absent ballot ~~and who is a member of the family~~ *on behalf* of the
7 voter who requested the absent ballot shall, under penalty of perjury,
8 indicate on a form prescribed by the county clerk that ~~he is a~~
9 ~~member of the family of~~ the voter who requested the absent ballot
10 ~~and that the voter requested that he~~ *authorized him to* return the
11 absent ballot ~~on his behalf.~~ A person who violates the provisions
12 of this subsection is guilty of a category E felony and shall be
13 punished as provided in NRS 193.130.

14 **Sec. 5.** NRS 293.504 is hereby amended to read as follows:

15 293.504 1. The following offices shall serve as voter
16 registration agencies:

17 (a) Such offices that provide public assistance as are designated
18 by the Secretary of State;

19 (b) Each office that receives money from the State of Nevada to
20 provide services to persons in this state who are disabled;

21 (c) The offices of the Department of Motor Vehicles;

22 (d) The offices of the city and county clerks; and

23 (e) Such other offices as the Secretary of State deems
24 appropriate.

25 2. Each voter registration agency shall:

26 (a) Post in a conspicuous place, in at least 12-point type,
27 instructions for registering to vote;

28 (b) Make applications to register to vote which may be returned
29 by mail available to each person who applies for or receives services
30 or assistance from the agency;

31 (c) Provide the same amount of assistance to an applicant in
32 completing an application to register to vote as the agency provides
33 to a person completing any other forms for the agency; and

34 (d) Accept completed applications to register to vote.

35 3. Except as otherwise provided in this subsection and NRS
36 293.524, any application to register to vote accepted by a voter
37 registration agency must be transmitted to the county clerk not later
38 than 10 days after the application is accepted. ~~During~~ *The*
39 *applications must be forwarded daily during* the 2 weeks
40 immediately preceding the ~~close of registration for an election, the~~
41 ~~applications must be forwarded daily.~~ *fifth Saturday preceding an*
42 *election.* The county clerk shall accept any application to register to
43 vote which is *obtained from a voter registration agency pursuant*
44 *to this section and* completed by the ~~last day to register~~ *fifth*



1 *Saturday preceding an election* if he receives the application not
2 later than 5 days after ~~the close of registration.~~ *that date.*

3 4. The Secretary of State shall cooperate with the Secretary of
4 Defense to develop and carry out procedures to enable persons in
5 this state to apply to register to vote at recruitment offices of the
6 United States Armed Forces.

7 **Sec. 6.** NRS 293.505 is hereby amended to read as follows:

8 293.505 1. All justices of the peace, except those located in
9 county seats, are ex officio field registrars to carry out the
10 provisions of this chapter.

11 2. The county clerk shall appoint at least one registered voter to
12 serve as a field registrar of voters who, except as otherwise provided
13 in NRS 293.5055, shall register voters within the county for which
14 he is appointed. Except as otherwise provided in subsection 1, a
15 candidate for any office may not be appointed or serve as a field
16 registrar. A field registrar serves at the pleasure of the county clerk
17 and shall perform his duties as the county clerk may direct.

18 3. A field registrar shall demand of any person who applies for
19 registration all information required by the application to register to
20 vote and shall administer all oaths required by this chapter.

21 4. When a field registrar has in his possession five or more
22 completed applications to register to vote he shall forward them to
23 the county clerk, but in no case may he hold any number of them for
24 more than 10 days.

25 5. ~~Immediately~~ *Each field registrar shall forward to the*
26 *county clerk all completed applications in his possession*
27 *immediately* after the ~~close of registration, each field registrar shall~~
28 ~~forward to the county clerk all completed applications in his~~
29 ~~possession.~~ *fifth Saturday preceding an election.* Within 5 days
30 after the ~~close of registration for a~~ *fifth Saturday preceding any*
31 general election or general city election, a field registrar shall return
32 all unused applications in his possession to the county clerk. If all of
33 the unused applications are not returned to the county clerk, the field
34 registrar shall account for the unreturned applications.

35 6. Each field registrar shall submit to the county clerk a list of
36 the serial numbers of the completed applications to register to vote
37 and the names of the electors on those applications. The serial
38 numbers must be listed in numerical order.

39 7. Each field registrar shall post notices sent to him by the
40 county clerk for posting in accordance with the election laws of this
41 state.

42 8. A field registrar, employee of a voter registration agency or
43 person assisting a voter pursuant to subsection 10 of NRS 293.5235
44 shall not:

45 (a) Delegate any of his duties to another person; or



1 (b) Refuse to register a person on account of that person's
2 political party affiliation.

3 9. A person shall not hold himself out to be or attempt to
4 exercise the duties of a field registrar unless he has been so
5 appointed.

6 10. A county clerk, field registrar, employee of a voter
7 registration agency or person assisting a voter pursuant to subsection
8 10 of NRS 293.5235 shall not:

9 (a) Solicit a vote for or against a particular question or
10 candidate;

11 (b) Speak to a voter on the subject of marking his ballot for or
12 against a particular question or candidate; or

13 (c) Distribute any petition or other material concerning a
14 candidate or question which will be on the ballot for the ensuing
15 election,

16 while he is registering an elector.

17 11. When the county clerk receives applications to register to
18 vote from a field registrar he shall issue a receipt to the field
19 registrar. The receipt must include:

20 (a) The number of persons registered; and

21 (b) The political party of the persons registered.

22 12. A county clerk, field registrar, employee of a voter
23 registration agency or person assisting a voter pursuant to subsection
24 10 of NRS 293.5235 shall not:

25 (a) Knowingly register a person who is not a qualified elector or
26 a person who has filed a false or misleading application to register
27 to vote;

28 (b) Alter or deface an application to register to vote that has
29 been signed by an elector except to correct information contained in
30 the application after receiving notice from the elector that a change
31 in or addition to the information is required; or

32 (c) Register a person who fails to provide satisfactory proof of
33 identification and the address at which he actually resides.

34 13. If a field registrar violates any of the provisions of this
35 section, the county clerk shall immediately suspend the field
36 registrar and notify the district attorney of the county in which the
37 violation occurred.

38 14. A person who violates any of the provisions of subsection
39 8, 9, 10 or 12 is guilty of a category E felony and shall be punished
40 as provided in NRS 193.130.

41 **Sec. 7.** NRS 293.517 is hereby amended to read as follows:

42 293.517 1. Any elector residing within the county may
43 register:

44 (a) ~~By~~ *Except as otherwise provided in NRS 293.560 and*
45 *293C.527, by* appearing before the county clerk, *a* field registrar or a



1 voter registration agency, completing the application to register to
2 vote and giving true and satisfactory answers to all questions
3 relevant to his identity and right to vote;

4 (b) By completing and mailing or personally delivering to the
5 county clerk an application to register to vote pursuant to the
6 provisions of NRS 293.5235;

7 (c) Pursuant to the provisions of NRS 293.501 or 293.524; or

8 (d) At his residence with the assistance of a field registrar
9 pursuant to NRS 293.5237.

10 The county clerk shall require a person to submit official
11 identification as proof of residence and identity, such as a driver's
12 license or other official document, before registering him.

13 2. The application to register to vote must be signed and
14 verified under penalty of perjury by the elector registering.

15 3. Each elector who is or has been married must be registered
16 under his own given or first name, and not under the given or first
17 name or initials of his spouse.

18 4. An elector who is registered and changes his name must
19 complete a new application to register to vote. He may obtain a new
20 application:

21 (a) At the office of the county clerk or field registrar;

22 (b) By submitting an application to register to vote pursuant to
23 the provisions of NRS 293.5235;

24 (c) By submitting a written statement to the county clerk
25 requesting the county clerk to mail an application to register to vote;
26 or

27 (d) At any voter registration agency.

28 If the elector fails to register under his new name, he may be
29 challenged pursuant to the provisions of NRS 293.303 or 293C.292
30 and may be required to furnish proof of identity and subsequent
31 change of name.

32 5. An elector who registers to vote pursuant to paragraph (a) of
33 subsection 1 shall be deemed to be registered upon the completion
34 of his application to register to vote.

35 6. After the county clerk determines that the application to
36 register to vote of a person is complete and that the person is eligible
37 to vote, he shall issue a voter registration card to the voter which
38 contains:

39 (a) The name, address, political affiliation and precinct number
40 of the voter;

41 (b) The date of issuance; and

42 (c) The signature of the county clerk.

43 **Sec. 8.** NRS 293.5237 is hereby amended to read as follows:

44 293.5237 Any time before the ~~close of registration~~ *fifth*
45 *Saturday preceding an election*, a person who because of illness,



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1 disability or for other good cause shown requires assistance to
2 complete an application to register to vote may request the county
3 clerk in writing or by telephone to register him at his residence.
4 Upon request, the county clerk shall direct the appropriate field
5 registrar to go to the home of such a person to register him to vote.

6 **Sec. 9.** NRS 293.524 is hereby amended to read as follows:

7 293.524 1. The Department of Motor Vehicles shall provide
8 an application to register to vote to each person who applies for the
9 issuance or renewal of any type of driver's license or for an
10 identification card.

11 2. The county clerk shall use the applications to register to vote
12 which are signed and completed pursuant to subsection 1 to register
13 applicants to vote or to correct information in the registrar of voters'
14 register. An application that is not signed must not be used to
15 register or correct the registration of the applicant.

16 3. For the purposes of this section, each employee specifically
17 authorized to do so by the Director of the Department may oversee
18 the completion of an application. The authorized employee shall
19 check the application for completeness and verify the information
20 required by the application. Each application must include a
21 duplicate copy or receipt to be retained by the applicant upon
22 completion of the form. The Department shall, except as otherwise
23 provided in this subsection, forward each application on a weekly
24 basis to the county clerk or, if applicable, to the registrar of voters of
25 the county in which the applicant resides. ~~During~~ *The applications*
26 *must be forwarded daily during* the 2 weeks immediately preceding
27 the ~~close of registration for an election, the applications must be~~
28 ~~forwarded daily.~~ *fifth Saturday preceding an election.*

29 4. The county clerk shall accept any application to register to
30 vote which is *obtained from the Department of Motor Vehicles*
31 *pursuant to this section and* completed by the ~~Last day to register~~
32 *fifth Saturday preceding an election* if he receives the application
33 not later than 5 days after ~~the close of registration.~~ *that date.* Upon
34 receipt of an application, the county clerk or field registrar of voters
35 shall determine whether the application is complete. If he
36 determines that the application is complete, he shall notify the
37 applicant and the applicant shall be deemed to be registered as of the
38 date of the submission of the application. If he determines that
39 the application is not complete, he shall notify the applicant of the
40 additional information required. The applicant shall be deemed to be
41 registered as of the date of the initial submission of the application if
42 the additional information is provided within 15 days after the
43 notice for the additional information is mailed. If the applicant has
44 not provided the additional information within 15 days after the
45 notice for the additional information is mailed, the incomplete



1 application is void. Any notification required by this subsection
2 must be given by mail at the mailing address on the application not
3 more than 7 working days after the determination is made
4 concerning whether the application is complete.

5 5. The county clerk shall use any form submitted to the
6 Department to correct information on a driver's license or
7 identification card to correct information in the registrar of voters'
8 register, unless the person indicates on the form that the correction
9 is not to be used for the purposes of voter registration. The
10 Department shall forward each such form to the county clerk or, if
11 applicable, to the registrar of voters of the county in which the
12 person resides in the same manner provided by subsection 3 for
13 applications to register to vote.

14 6. Upon receipt of a form to correct information, the county
15 clerk shall compare the information to that contained in the registrar
16 of voters' register. If the person is a registered voter, the county
17 clerk shall correct the information to reflect any changes indicated
18 on the form. After making any changes, the county clerk shall notify
19 the person by mail that his records have been corrected.

20 7. The Secretary of State shall, with the approval of the
21 Director, adopt regulations to:

22 (a) Establish any procedure necessary to provide an elector who
23 applies to register to vote pursuant to this section the opportunity to
24 do so;

25 (b) Prescribe the contents of any forms or applications which the
26 Department is required to distribute pursuant to this section; and

27 (c) Provide for the transfer of the completed applications of
28 registration from the Department to the appropriate county clerk for
29 inclusion in the election board registers and registrar of voters'
30 register.

31 **Sec. 10.** NRS 293.560 is hereby amended to read as follows:

32 293.560 1. Except as otherwise provided in NRS 293.502,
33 registration must close at 9 p.m. on the ~~fifth Saturday~~ *third*
34 *Tuesday* preceding any primary or general election and at 9 p.m. on
35 the third Saturday preceding any recall or special election, except
36 that if a recall or special election is held on the same day as a
37 primary or general election, registration must close at 9 p.m. on the
38 ~~fifth Saturday~~ *third Tuesday* preceding the day of the elections.

39 2. The ~~offices~~ *office* of the county clerk ~~and other ex-officio~~
40 ~~registrars~~ must be open from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. and ~~the office of the~~
41 ~~county clerk must also be open~~ from 7 p.m. to 9 p.m., including
42 Saturdays, during the last days before the close of registration,
43 according to the following schedule:



1 (a) In a county whose population is less than 100,000, ~~those~~
2 ~~offices~~ *the office of the county clerk* must be open during the last 3
3 days before registration closes.

4 (b) In all other counties, ~~those offices~~ *the office of the county*
5 *clerk* must be open during the last 5 days before registration closes.

6 3. Except for a special election held pursuant to chapter 306 or
7 350 of NRS:

8 (a) The county clerk of each county shall cause a notice signed
9 by him to be published in a newspaper having a general circulation
10 in the county indicating the day that registration will be closed. If no
11 such newspaper is published in the county, the publication may be
12 made in a newspaper of general circulation published in the nearest
13 county in this state.

14 (b) The notice must be published once each week for 4
15 consecutive weeks next preceding the close of registration for any
16 election.

17 4. The offices of the county clerk and other ex officio registrars
18 may remain open on the last Friday in October in each even-
19 numbered year.

20 *5. For the period beginning on the fifth Saturday preceding*
21 *any primary or general election and ending on the third Tuesday*
22 *preceding any primary or general election, an elector may register*
23 *to vote only by appearing in person at the office of the county*
24 *clerk.*

25 **Sec. 11.** NRS 293.565 is hereby amended to read as follows:

26 293.565 1. Except as otherwise provided in subsection 2,
27 sample ballots must include:

28 (a) *If applicable, the statement required by NRS 293.267;*

29 (b) The fiscal note, as provided pursuant to NRS 218.443 or
30 293.250, for each proposed constitutional amendment or statewide
31 measure;

32 ~~(b)~~ (c) An explanation, as provided pursuant to NRS 218.443,
33 of each proposed constitutional amendment or statewide measure,
34 including arguments for and against it; and

35 ~~(c)~~ (d) The full text of each proposed constitutional
36 amendment.

37 2. Sample ballots that are mailed to registered voters may be
38 printed without the full text of each proposed constitutional
39 amendment if:

40 (a) The cost of printing the sample ballots would be significantly
41 reduced if the full text of each proposed constitutional amendment
42 were not included;

43 (b) The county clerk ensures that a sample ballot that includes
44 the full text of each proposed constitutional amendment is provided



1 at no charge to each registered voter who requests such a sample
2 ballot; and

3 (c) The sample ballots provided to each polling place include the
4 full text of each proposed constitutional amendment.

5 3. At least 10 days before any election, the county clerk shall
6 cause to be mailed to each registered voter in the county a sample
7 ballot for his precinct with a notice informing the voter of the
8 location of his polling place. If the location of the polling place has
9 changed since the last election:

10 (a) The county clerk shall mail a notice of the change to each
11 registered voter in the county not sooner than 10 days before
12 mailing the sample ballots; or

13 (b) The sample ballot must also include a notice in bold type
14 immediately above the location which states:

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16 **NOTICE: THE LOCATION OF YOUR POLLING PLACE**
17 **HAS CHANGED SINCE THE LAST ELECTION**

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19 4. Except as otherwise provided in subsection 5, a sample
20 ballot required to be mailed pursuant to this section must:

21 (a) Be printed in at least 12-point type; and

22 (b) Include on the front page, in a separate box created by bold
23 lines, a notice printed in at least 20-point bold type that states:

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25 **NOTICE: TO RECEIVE A SAMPLE BALLOT IN**
26 **LARGE TYPE, CALL (Insert appropriate telephone number)**

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28 5. A portion of a sample ballot that contains a facsimile of the
29 display area of a voting device may include material in less than 12-
30 point type to the extent necessary to make the facsimile fit on the
31 pages of the sample ballot.

32 6. The sample ballot mailed to a person who requests a sample
33 ballot in large type by exercising the option provided pursuant to
34 NRS 293.508, or in any other manner, must be printed in at least 14-
35 point type, or larger when practicable.

36 7. If a person requests a sample ballot in large type, the county
37 clerk shall ensure that all future sample ballots mailed to that person
38 from the county are in large type.

39 8. The county clerk shall include in each sample ballot a
40 statement indicating that the county clerk will, upon request of a
41 voter who is elderly or disabled, make reasonable accommodations
42 to allow the voter to vote at his polling place and provide reasonable
43 assistance to the voter in casting his vote, including, without
44 limitation, providing appropriate materials to assist the voter.



1 9. The cost of mailing sample ballots for any election other
2 than a primary or general election must be borne by the political
3 subdivision holding the election.

4 **Sec. 12.** NRS 293C.185 is hereby amended to read as follows:

5 293C.185 1. Except as otherwise provided in NRS 293C.190,
6 a name may not be printed on a ballot to be used at a primary city
7 election, unless the person named has filed a declaration of
8 candidacy or an acceptance of candidacy and paid the fee
9 established by the governing body of the city not earlier than 70
10 days before the primary city election and not later than 5 p.m. on the
11 60th day before the primary city election.

12 2. A declaration of candidacy required to be filed by this
13 section must be in substantially the following form:

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15 DECLARATION OF CANDIDACY OF FOR THE
16 OFFICE OF

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18 State of Nevada
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20 City of

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

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44 (Designation of name)



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(Signature of candidate for office)

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

.....
Notary Public or other person
authorized to administer an oath

~~3. [A person may be a candidate under his given name and surname, a contraction or familiar form of his given name followed by his surname or the initial of his given name followed by his surname. A nickname of not more than 10 letters may be incorporated into a candidate's name. The nickname must be in quotation marks and appear immediately before the candidate's surname. A nickname must not indicate any political, economic, social or religious view or affiliation and must not be the name of any person, living or dead, whose reputation is known on a statewide, nationwide or worldwide basis, or in any other manner deceive a voter concerning the person or principles for which he is voting.]~~

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

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



1 **Sec. 13.** NRS 293C.330 is hereby amended to read as follows:
2 293C.330 1. Except as otherwise provided in NRS 293C.315
3 and subsection 2 of NRS 293C.322 and any regulations adopted
4 pursuant thereto, when an absent voter receives his ballot, he must
5 mark and fold it, if it is a paper ballot, or punch it, if the ballot is
6 voted by punching a card, in accordance with the instructions,
7 deposit it in the return envelope, seal the envelope, affix his
8 signature on the back of the envelope in the space provided therefor
9 and mail the return envelope.

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

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

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

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

27 (a) Provides satisfactory identification;

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

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

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



1 **Sec. 14.** NRS 293C.527 is hereby amended to read as follows:
 2 293C.527 1. Except as otherwise provided in NRS 293.502,
 3 registration must close at 9 p.m. on the ~~[[fifth-Saturday]]~~ *third*
 4 *Tuesday* preceding any primary city election or general city election
 5 and at 9 p.m. on the third Saturday preceding any recall or special
 6 election, except that if a recall or special election is held on the same
 7 day as a primary city election or general city election, registration
 8 must close at 9 p.m. on the ~~[[fifth-Saturday]]~~ *third Tuesday* preceding
 9 the day of the elections.

10 2. The ~~[[offices]]~~ *office* of the city ~~[[and-county-clerk-and-other~~
 11 ~~ex-officio-registrars]]~~ *clerk* must be open from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. and
 12 ~~[[the-offices-of-the-city-and-county-clerk-must-also-be-open]]~~ from 7
 13 p.m. to 9 p.m., including Saturdays, during the last days before the
 14 close of registration before a primary city election or general city
 15 election, according to the following schedule:

16 (a) In a city whose population is less than 25,000, ~~[[those-offices]]~~
 17 *the office of the city clerk* must be open during the last 3 days
 18 before registration closes.

19 (b) In a city whose population is 25,000 or more, ~~[[those-offices]]~~
 20 *the office of the city clerk* must be open during the last 5 days
 21 before registration closes.

22 3. Except for a special election held pursuant to chapter 306 or
 23 350 of NRS:

24 (a) The city clerk of each city shall cause a notice signed by him
 25 to be published in a newspaper having a general circulation in the
 26 city indicating the day that registration will be closed. If no
 27 newspaper is of general circulation in that city, the publication may
 28 be made in a newspaper of general circulation in the nearest city in
 29 this state.

30 (b) The notice must be published once each week for 4
 31 consecutive weeks next preceding the close of registration for any
 32 election.

33 4. *For the period beginning on the fifth Saturday preceding*
 34 *any primary city election or general city election and ending on*
 35 *the third Tuesday preceding any primary city election or general*
 36 *city election, an elector may register to vote only by appearing in*
 37 *person at the office of the city clerk.*

38 **Sec. 15.** Chapter 294A of NRS is hereby amended by adding
 39 thereto a new section to read as follows:

40 *The Secretary of State and a city clerk shall not request or*
 41 *require a candidate, person, group of persons, committee or*
 42 *political party to list each of the expenditures or campaign*
 43 *expenses of \$100 or less on a form designed and provided*
 44 *pursuant to NRS 294A.125, 294A.200, 294A.210, 294A.220,*
 45 *294A.280, 294A.360 or 294A.362.*



1 **Sec. 16.** NRS 294A.300 is hereby amended to read as follows:
2 294A.300 1. It is unlawful for a member of the Legislature,
3 the Lieutenant Governor, the Lieutenant Governor-Elect, the
4 Governor or the Governor-Elect to solicit or accept any monetary
5 contribution, or solicit or accept a commitment to make such a
6 contribution for any political purpose during the period beginning:

7 (a) Thirty days before a regular session of the Legislature and
8 ending 30 days after the final adjournment of a regular session of
9 the Legislature; ~~or~~

10 (b) *Fifteen days before a special session of the Legislature is*
11 *set to commence and ending 15 days after the final adjournment*
12 *of a special session of the Legislature, if the Governor sets a*
13 *specific date for the commencement of the special session that is*
14 *more than 15 days after the Governor issues the proclamation*
15 *calling for the special session; or*

16 (c) The day after the Governor issues a proclamation calling for
17 a special session of the Legislature and ending 15 days after the
18 final adjournment of a special session of the Legislature ~~or~~ *if the*
19 *Governor sets a specific date for the commencement of the special*
20 *session that is 15 or fewer days after the Governor issues the*
21 *proclamation calling for the special session.*

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

27 **Sec. 17.** NRS 294A.310 is hereby amended to read as follows:

28 294A.310 1. A member of an organization whose primary
29 purpose is to provide support for Legislators of a particular political
30 party and house shall not solicit or accept contributions on behalf of
31 the Legislators or the organization, or solicit or accept a
32 commitment to make such a contribution during the period
33 beginning:

34 (a) Thirty days before a regular session of the Legislature and
35 ending 30 days after the final adjournment of a regular session of
36 the Legislature; ~~or~~

37 (b) *Fifteen days before a special session of the Legislature is*
38 *set to commence and ending 15 days after the final adjournment*
39 *of a special session of the Legislature, if the Governor sets a*
40 *specific date for the commencement of the special session that is*
41 *more than 15 days after the Governor issues the proclamation*
42 *calling for the special session; or*

43 (c) The day after the Governor issues a proclamation calling for
44 a special session of the Legislature and ending 15 days after the
45 final adjournment of a special session of the Legislature ~~or~~ *if the*



1 *Governor sets a specific date for the commencement of the special*
2 *session that is 15 or fewer days after the Governor issues the*
3 *proclamation calling for the special session.*

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

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

8 **Sec. 18.** NRS 218.942 is hereby amended to read as follows:

9 218.942 1. A lobbyist shall not knowingly or willfully make
10 any false statement or misrepresentation of facts:

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

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

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

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

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

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

28 6. Except as otherwise provided in subsection 7, a member of
29 the Legislative or Executive Branch of the State Government and an
30 elected officer or employee of a political subdivision shall not
31 receive compensation or reimbursement other than from the State or
32 the political subdivision for personally engaging in lobbying.

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

36 8. A lobbyist shall not instigate the introduction of any
37 legislation for the purpose of obtaining employment to lobby in
38 opposition thereto.

39 9. A lobbyist shall not make, commit to make or offer to make
40 a monetary contribution to a member of the Legislature, the
41 Lieutenant Governor, the Lieutenant Governor-elect, the Governor
42 or the Governor-elect during the period beginning:

43 (a) Thirty days before a regular session of the Legislature and
44 ending 30 days after the final adjournment of a regular session of
45 the Legislature; ~~or~~



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

7 (c) The day after the Governor issues a proclamation calling for
8 a special session of the Legislature and ending 15 days after the
9 final adjournment of a special session of the Legislature ~~[.]~~ *if the*
10 *Governor sets a specific date for the commencement of the special*
11 *session that is 15 or fewer days after the Governor issues the*
12 *proclamation calling for the special session.*

13 **Sec. 19.** Section 5.050 of the Charter of the City of Caliente,
14 being chapter 31, Statutes of Nevada 1971, at page 67, is hereby
15 amended to read as follows:

16 Sec. 5.050 Names on ballots.

17 1. The full names of all candidates, except those who
18 have withdrawn, died or become ineligible, ~~[shall]~~ *must*
19 be printed on the official ballots without party designation or
20 symbol. ~~[The use of nicknames in conjunction with the~~
21 ~~candidates' legal names is allowed and the nicknames may be~~
22 ~~printed on the official ballots.]~~

23 2. If two or more candidates have the same surname or
24 surnames so similar as to be likely to cause confusion ~~[, their~~
25 ~~residence addresses shall be printed with] and:~~

26 (a) *None of them is an incumbent, their middle names*
27 *or middle initials, if any, must be included in their names as*
28 *printed on the ballot [.] ; or*

29 (b) *One of them is an incumbent, the name of the*
30 *incumbent must be listed first and must be printed in bold*
31 *type.*

32 **Sec. 20.** Section 5.050 of the Charter of the City of Carson,
33 being chapter 213, Statutes of Nevada 1969, at page 305, is hereby
34 amended to read as follows:

35 Sec. 5.050 Names on ballots.

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

42 2. If two or more candidates have the same surname or
43 surnames so similar as to be likely to cause confusion ~~[, their~~
44 ~~residence addresses shall be printed with] and:~~



1 (a) *None of them is an incumbent, their middle names*
2 *or middle initials, if any, must be included in* their names *as*
3 *printed* on the ballot ~~[]~~; *or*

4 (b) *One of them is an incumbent, the name of the*
5 *incumbent must be listed first and must be printed in bold*
6 *type.*

7 **Sec. 21.** Section 5.040 of the Charter of the City of Elko,
8 being chapter 276, Statutes of Nevada 1971, at page 488, is hereby
9 amended to read as follows:

10 Sec. 5.040 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 the 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 ~~[, their~~
19 ~~residence addresses shall be printed with] and:~~

20 (a) *None of them is an incumbent, their middle names*
21 *or middle initials, if any, must be included in* their names *as*
22 *printed* on the ballot ~~[]~~; *or*

23 (b) *One of them is an incumbent, the name of the*
24 *incumbent must be listed first and must be printed in bold*
25 *type.*

26 **Sec. 22.** Section 5.050 of the Charter of the City of Henderson,
27 being chapter 266, Statutes of Nevada 1971, as amended by chapter
28 596, Statutes of Nevada 1995, at page 2215, is hereby amended to
29 read as follows:

30 Sec. 5.050 Names on ballots.

31 1. The full names of all candidates, except those who
32 have withdrawn, died or become ineligible, must be printed
33 on the official ballots without party designation or symbol.
34 ~~[The use of nicknames in conjunction with the candidates'~~
35 ~~legal names is allowed and the nicknames may be printed on~~
36 ~~the official ballots in accordance with the provisions of~~
37 ~~NRS 293.177.]~~

38 2. If two or more candidates have the same surname or
39 surnames so similar as to be likely to cause confusion ~~[, their~~
40 ~~residence addresses must be printed with] and:~~

41 (a) *None of them is an incumbent, their middle names*
42 *or middle initials, if any, must be included in* their names *as*
43 *printed* on the ballot ~~[]~~; *or*



1 ***(b) One of them is an incumbent, the name of the***
2 ***incumbent must be listed first and must be printed in bold***
3 ***type.***

4 **Sec. 23.** Section 5.050 of the Charter of the City of Las Vegas,
5 being chapter 517, Statutes of Nevada 1983, at page 1415, is hereby
6 amended to read as follows:

7 Sec. 5.050 Names on ballots.

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

14 **2.** If two or more candidates have the same name or
15 names which are so similar as likely to cause confusion ~~{~~
16 ~~their residence addresses must be printed with} and:~~

17 ***(a) None of them is an incumbent, their middle names***
18 ***or middle initials, if any, must be included in their names as***
19 ***printed*** on the ballots ~~{~~; or

20 ***(b) One of them is an incumbent, the name of the***
21 ***incumbent must be listed first and must be printed in bold***
22 ***type.***

23 **Sec. 24.** Section 5.050 of the Charter of the City of North Las
24 Vegas, being chapter 573, Statutes of Nevada 1971, as amended by
25 chapter 723, Statutes of Nevada 1973, at page 1442, 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 ~~{, their~~
36 ~~residence addresses shall be printed with} and:~~

37 ***(a) None of them is an incumbent, their middle names***
38 ***or middle initials, if any, must be included in their names as***
39 ***printed*** on the ballot ~~{~~; or

40 ***(b) One of them is an incumbent, the name of the***
41 ***incumbent must be listed first and must be printed in bold***
42 ***type.***

43 **3.** In any election regulated by this Charter, the names of
44 candidates as **printed** on the ballot shall not include any title,



1 designation or other reference which will indicate the
2 profession or occupation of such candidates.

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

6 Sec. 5.050 Names on ballots.

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

13 **2.** If two or more candidates have the same surname or
14 surnames so similar as to be likely to cause confusion ~~{, their~~
15 ~~residence addresses shall be printed with}~~ **and:**

16 **(a) None of them is an incumbent, their middle names**
17 **or middle initials, if any, must be included in their names as**
18 **printed** on the ballot ~~{}~~; **or**

19 **(b) One of them is an incumbent, the name of the**
20 **incumbent must be listed first and must be printed in bold**
21 **type.**

22 **Sec. 26.** Section 5.050 of the Charter of the City of Sparks,
23 being chapter 470, Statutes of Nevada 1975, at page 736, is hereby
24 amended to read as follows:

25 Sec. 5.050 Names on ballots.

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

32 **2.** If two or more candidates have the same surname ~~{}~~
33 or surnames so similar as to be likely to cause confusion ~~{,~~
34 ~~their residence addresses shall be printed with}~~ **and:**

35 **(a) None of them is an incumbent, their middle names**
36 **or middle initials, if any, must be included in their names as**
37 **printed** on the ballot ~~{}~~; **or**

38 **(b) One of them is an incumbent, the name of the**
39 **incumbent must be listed first and must be printed in bold**
40 **type.**

41 **Sec. 27.** Section 5.040 of the Charter of the City of Wells,
42 being chapter 275, Statutes of Nevada 1971, at page 470, is hereby
43 amended to read as follows:

44 Sec. 5.040 Names on ballots.



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

7 2. If two or more candidates have the same surname or
8 surnames so similar as to be likely to cause confusion ~~{, their~~
9 ~~residence addresses shall be printed with}~~ **and:**

10 (a) *None of them is an incumbent, their middle names*
11 *or middle initials, if any, must be included in their names as*
12 *printed on the ballot ~~{}~~; or*

13 (b) *One of them is an incumbent, the name of the*
14 *incumbent must be listed first and must be printed in bold*
15 *type.*

16 **Sec. 28.** Section 5.040 of the Charter of the City of Yerington,
17 being chapter 465, Statutes of Nevada 1971, at page 912, is hereby
18 amended to read as follows:

19 Sec. 5.040 Names on ballots.

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

26 2. If two or more candidates have the same surname or
27 surnames so similar as to be likely to cause confusion ~~{, their~~
28 ~~residence addresses shall be printed with}~~ **and:**

29 (a) *None of them is an incumbent, their middle names*
30 *or middle initials, if any, must be included in their names as*
31 *printed on the ballot ~~{}~~; or*

32 (b) *One of them is an incumbent, the name of the*
33 *incumbent must be listed first and must be printed in bold*
34 *type.*

