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AN ACT relating to elections; creating the Election Fund in the State Treasury to receive money pursuant to the Help America Vote Act of 2002; prescribing conditions for the receipt and use of money in the Fund; and providing other matters properly relating thereto.

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

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

1. As used in this section, "Act" means the Help America Vote Act of 2002, Public Law 107-252.

2. The Election Fund is hereby created as a special revenue fund in the State Treasury, to be administered by the Secretary of State. The Secretary of State shall deposit all money received pursuant to the Act and any state appropriation of matching money pursuant to the Act in the Election Fund.

3. The interest and income earned on money in the Election Fund must be credited to the Fund. Any balance of the money that was received pursuant to the Act remaining in the Election Fund at the end of a fiscal year does not revert and must be carried forward to the next fiscal year and is continuously available to the Secretary of State for expenditure consistent with this section.

4. The Secretary of State may:

(a) Only expend or disburse money in the Election Fund in accordance with the provisions of the Act.

(b) Receive and disburse money in the Election Fund by electronic transfer.

5. Claims against the Election Fund must be paid as other claims against the State are paid.

Sec. 2. 1. The Secretary of State is hereby authorized to expend not more than \$5,000,000 from the Election Fund created by section 1 of this act for the purposes of implementing Title 1 of the Help America Vote Act of 2002 (42 U.S.C. §§ 15301 to 15306).

2. Upon expenditure of the money authorized by subsection 1, the Secretary of State shall provide a report to the Interim Finance Committee that provides a detailed accounting of the manner in which the money was expended.

Sec. 3. This act becomes effective upon passage and approval.