

ASSEMBLY BILL NO. 451—COMMITTEE ON
LEGISLATIVE OPERATIONS AND ELECTIONS

MARCH 25, 2019

Referred to Committee on Legislative Operations and Elections

SUMMARY—Makes various changes relating to elections.
(BDR 24-1097)

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; revising certain provisions relating to a student trainee serving as an election board officer; and providing other matters properly relating thereto.

Legislative Counsel’s Digest:

1 Existing law prohibits a county clerk or city clerk from assigning more than one
2 student trainee to serve as an election board officer to any one polling place. (NRS
3 293.2175, 293.227, 293C.222) This bill removes that prohibition so that more than
4 one student trainee may be assigned to a polling place.

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

1 **Section 1.** NRS 293.2175 is hereby amended to read as
2 follows:

3 293.2175 1. The county clerk may appoint a pupil as a
4 trainee for the position of election board officer. To qualify for such
5 an appointment, the pupil must be:

6 (a) A United States citizen, a resident of Nevada and a resident
7 of the county in which the pupil serves;

8 (b) Enrolled in high school; and

9 (c) At the time of service, at least 16 years of age.

10 2. The county clerk may only appoint a pupil as a trainee if:

11 (a) The pupil is appointed without party affiliation;

12 (b) The county clerk sends the pupil a certificate stating the date
13 and hours that the pupil will act as a trainee;



1 (c) At least 20 days before the election in which the pupil will
2 act as a trainee, the principal of the high school or the pupil's
3 assigned school counselor receives the county clerk's certificate and
4 a written request signed by the pupil's parent or guardian to be
5 excused from school for the time specified in the certificate;

6 (d) The principal of the high school or the assigned school
7 counselor of the pupil approves the pupil's request; and

8 (e) The pupil attends the training class required by
9 NRS 293B.260.

10 3. Except as otherwise provided in this subsection, the county
11 clerk may assign a trainee such duties as the county clerk deems
12 appropriate. The county clerk shall not ~~f:~~

13 ~~—(a) Require the} require a~~ trainee to perform those duties later
14 than 10 p.m. or any applicable curfew, whichever is earlier. ~~f: or~~

15 ~~—(b) Assign more than one trainee to serve as an election board~~
16 ~~officer in any one polling place.]~~

17 4. The county clerk may compensate a trainee for service at the
18 same rate fixed for election board officers generally.

19 **Sec. 2.** NRS 293.227 is hereby amended to read as follows:

20 293.227 1. Each election board must have one member
21 designated as the chair by the county or city clerk. The election
22 boards shall make the records of election required by this chapter.

23 2. The appointment of a trainee as set forth in NRS 293.2175
24 and 293C.222 may be used to determine the number of members on
25 the election board, but under no circumstances may ~~f:~~

26 ~~—(a) The election board of any polling place include more than~~
27 ~~one trainee; or~~

28 ~~—(b) A} a~~ trainee serve as chair of the election board.

29 3. The county or city clerk shall conduct or cause to be
30 conducted a school to acquaint the members of an election board
31 with the election laws, duties of election boards, regulations of the
32 Secretary of State and with the procedure for making the records of
33 election and using the register for election boards.

34 4. The board of county commissioners of any county or the city
35 council of any city may reimburse the members of an election board
36 who attend the school for their travel expenses at a rate not
37 exceeding 10 cents per mile.

38 **Sec. 3.** NRS 293C.222 is hereby amended to read as follows:

39 293C.222 1. The city clerk may appoint a pupil as a trainee
40 for the position of election board officer. To qualify for such an
41 appointment, the pupil must be:

42 (a) A United States citizen, a resident of Nevada and a resident
43 of the city in which the pupil serves;

44 (b) Enrolled in high school; and

45 (c) At the time of service, at least 16 years of age.



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2 (a) The pupil is appointed without party affiliation;
3 (b) The city clerk sends the pupil a certificate stating the date
4 and hours that the pupil will act as a trainee;
5 (c) At least 20 days before the election in which the pupil will
6 act as a trainee, the principal of the high school or the assigned
7 school counselor of the pupil receives the city clerk's certificate and
8 a written request signed by the pupil's parent or guardian to be
9 excused from school for the time specified in the certificate;
10 (d) The principal of the high school or the assigned school
11 counselor of the pupil approves the pupil's request; and
12 (e) The pupil attends the training class required by
13 NRS 293B.260.
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18 than 10 p.m., or any applicable curfew, whichever is earlier. ~~f~~ ~~or~~
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20 ~~officer in any one polling place.~~
- 21 4. The city clerk may compensate a trainee for service at the
22 same rate fixed for election board officers generally.

