## ASSEMBLY BILL NO. 228-ASSEMBLYMEMBER DICKMAN

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Referred to Committee on Legislative Operations and Elections

SUMMARY—Revises provisions relating to elections. (BDR 24-100)

FISCAL NOTE: Effect on Local Government: May have Fiscal Impact. Effect on the State: Yes.

EXPLANATION - Matter in *bolded italics* is new; matter between brackets [omitted material] is material to be omitted.

AN ACT relating to elections; establishing procedures for the use of absent ballots in an election; requiring, with certain exceptions, proof of identity for voting in person; requiring the Department of Motor Vehicles, under certain circumstances, to issue identification cards at no charge; requiring a voter to include certain personal identifying information with his or her absent ballot; prohibiting, with certain exceptions, a person from returning an absent ballot on behalf of a voter; repealing provisions that require county and city clerks to prepare and distribute mail ballots to certain registered voters for every election; repealing provisions relating to voting, collecting, verifying and counting mail ballots; providing penalties; and providing other matters properly relating thereto.

## Legislative Counsel's Digest:

Existing law requires, under certain circumstances, that a person provide 1 2345678 certain information to vote in person which may include, depending on the circumstances, proof of residency and identity, answering questions covering the personal data of the voter or providing additional personal data. (NRS 293.2725, 293.277, 293.285, 293.303, 293.3075, 293.3081, 293.3082, 293.3085, 293.3585, 293.541, 293C.270, 293C.275, 293C.292, 293C.3035, 293C.3585) Sections 40, 42, 44, 45, 48, 53, 111, 113, 114, 117 and 120 of this bill require, with certain exceptions, that a person provide one of the forms of proof of identity specified in 9 section 4 of this bill to vote in person. Section 46 of this bill requires the Secretary 10 of State and each county and city clerk to ensure that instructions concerning the 11 proof of identity required to vote are posted at each polling place. Sections 29, 31, 12 43, 52, 63-72, 107, 112 and 118 of this bill make various conforming changes to





13 existing provisions to reflect the requirement to provide proof of identity to vote in 14 person.

15 Sections 27 and 28 of this bill: (1) require the Department of Motor Vehicles 16 to issue an identification card, free of charge, to a registered voter who does not 17 possess one of the acceptable forms of proof of identity and who is experiencing 18 financial hardship; and (2) require the registered voter to submit certain information 19 with an application for the identification card. Section 131 of this bill makes 20 conforming changes to reflect that such an identification card must be issued free of charge.

Sections 47 and 115 of this bill provide that a person applying to vote whose identity has been challenged must furnish proof of identity in response to such a challenge.

21 22 23 24 25 26 27 28 29 Section 49 of this bill authorizes, under certain circumstances, a person who fails to provide proof of identity when voting in person to cast a provisional ballot. Section 50 of this bill makes conforming changes to the information that must be provided to a person who casts a provisional ballot. Section 51 of this bill provides that the provisional ballot of such a voter must be counted if the person provides  $\overline{30}$ proof of identity to the county or city clerk, not later than 5 p.m. on the Friday 31 following election day.

32 33 Section 74 of this bill clarifies that voting the absent ballot of another person is a category D felony.

34 Existing law establishes procedures for the preparation and distribution of mail 35 ballots to each active registered voter for every election, as well as procedures for 36 voting, returning, verifying, and counting the mail ballots. (NRS 293.269911-37 293.269937, 293C.263-293C.26337) Section 132 of this bill repeals these 38 provisions. Sections 5-26 and 80-103 of this bill set forth the process for requesting, voting, returning, verifying and counting absent ballots. Sections 30, 39 40 32-34, 36, 39, 54-62, 73, 76-78, 105, 106, 108-110, 116, 119 and 121-130 of this 41 bill make conforming changes to incorporate absent ballots into the relevant 42 provisions of Nevada Revised Statutes relating to elections. The provisions of this 43 bill relating to absent ballots are modeled after similar provisions of law that 44 existed before the Legislature enacted provisions relating to mail ballots in the 81st 45 session of the Legislature.

46 Existing law provides that a mail ballot that is mailed to the county or city clerk 47 must be postmarked on or before the day of the election. (NRS 293.269921, 48 293C.26321) Sections 16 and 91 of this bill provide that an absent ballot that is 49 mailed to the county or city clerk must be postmarked at least 3 days before the day 50 of the election.

51 Existing law provides that a person authorized by a voter may return a mail 52 ballot on behalf of the voter. (NRS 293.269923, 293C.26323) Sections 20 and 97 53 of this bill instead provide that, with certain exceptions, only the voter or, with the 54 authorization of the voter, a member of the immediate family of the voter may 55 return an absent ballot on behalf of the voter. Sections 20 and 97 also prohibit a 56 person from returning more than two absent ballots on behalf of a member of his or 57 her immediate family.





## 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 the provisions set forth as sections 2 to 28, inclusive, of this 3 act. 4 Sec. 2. "Absent ballot" means a ballot voted by a person who 5 expects to be or is absent from the polling place for his or her 6 precinct or district on election day. "Absent voter" means a registered voter who has 7 Sec. 3. 8 received or who has voted an absent ballot. 9 Sec. 4. "Proof of identity" means any of the following forms 10 of identification which show the name of and contain a recognizable photograph of the person to whom the identification 11 12 is issued: 13 1. A driver's license or identification card issued by the 14 **Department of Motor Vehicles.** 15 An identification card issued by: 2. 16 (a) This State or another state, the District of Columbia or any 17 territory of the United States; (b) The United States Government: 18 19 (c) A college or university within the Nevada System of Higher 20 Education: or (d) A public technical school in this State. 21 22 3. An employee identification card issued by this State, an 23 agency or political subdivision, thereof, or the United States 24 Government. 25 4. A passport issued by the United States Government. 26 5. A military identification card issued by any branch of the 27 Armed Forces of the United States. 28 An identification card issued by a federally recognized 6. 29 Indian tribe. 30 A permit to carry a concealed firearm issued pursuant to 7. 31 the provisions of NRS 202.3653 to 202.369, inclusive, 32 which is, except as otherwise provided by specific statute, 33 current or expired for less than 4 years or, if the holder is 70 years of age or older, current or expired for any length of time. 34 Sec. 5. 1. When it appears to the satisfaction of the county 35 clerk that an absent ballot central counting board will expedite the 36 work of tallying the absent ballot vote of the county, the county 37 clerk may appoint such a board. 38 39 2. In counties where an absent ballot central counting board has been appointed, no central election board may be appointed. 40 41 The absent ballot central counting board shall perform the duties 42 of the central election board.





Sec. 6. 1. An absent ballot central counting board consists 1 2 of election board officers appointed in such numbers as the county 3 clerk determines to be required by the volume of absent ballots 4 requested.

5 2. The county clerk's deputies who perform duties in 6 connection with elections shall be deemed officers of the absent 7 ballot central counting board.

8 3. When requested by the county clerk, the sheriff shall appoint a deputy sheriff to keep order during the counting of the 9 absent ballot votes by the absent ballot central counting board. 10

11 4. The absent ballot central counting board is under the 12 direction of the county clerk.

Sec. 7. An absent ballot must be voted:

1. On a paper ballot: or

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By any other system authorized by state or federal law. 2.

Sec. 8. As used in sections 8 to 15, inclusive, of this act, 16 17 "sufficient written notice" means a:

18 Written request for an absent ballot that is signed by the registered voter and returned to the county clerk in person or by 19 20 *mail or approved electronic transmission;* 

21 Form prescribed by the Secretary of State that is completed 22 and signed by the registered voter and returned to the county clerk 23 in person or by mail or by approved electronic transmission; or 24

Form provided by the Federal Government. 3.

25 **Sec. 9.** 1. The county clerk of each county shall prepare an 26 absent ballot for the use of registered voters who have requested 27 absent ballots. The county clerk shall make reasonable 28 accommodations for the use of the absent ballot by a person who 29 is elderly or disabled, including, without limitation, by providing, upon request, the absent ballot in 12-point type to a person who is 30 31 elderly or disabled.

The ballot must be prepared and ready for distribution to: 2.

(a) Each registered voter who:

(1) Resides within the State, not later than 20 days before 34 35 the election in which it is to be used; and

36 (2) Except as otherwise provided in paragraph (b), resides outside the State, not later than 40 days before a primary election, 37 presidential preference primary election or general election, if 38 39 possible.

(b) Each covered voter who is entitled to have a military 40 overseas ballot transmitted pursuant to the provisions of chapter 41 42 293D of NRS or the Uniformed and Overseas Citizens Absentee Voting Act, 52 U.S.C. §§ 20301 et seq., not later than the time 43 44 required by those provisions.





3. Any untimely legal action which would prevent the ballot 1 2 from being distributed to any voter pursuant to subsection 2 is moot and of no effect. 3 **Sec.** 10. 1. A person who, during the 6 months immediately 4 5 preceding an election, distributes to more than a total of 500 registered voters a form to request an absent ballot for the election 6 7 shall: 8 (a) Distribute the form prescribed by the Secretary of State, which must, in 14-point type or larger at the top of the first page of 9 10 the form: 11 (1) Identify the person who is distributing the form; and 12 (2) Include the following notice stating, with the first 13 sentence of the notice in bold type: 14 15 This is not an official elections notice from the Secretary 16 of State or your county or city clerk. This is a form to 17 request an absent ballot that you may submit to your county 18 or city clerk if you want to vote by absent ballot. However, even if you want to vote by absent ballot, you do not need to 19 20 submit this form if you have already requested an absent 21 ballot for this election year or are already entitled to receive 22 an absent ballot for all elections. 23 24 (b) Not later than 28 days before distributing such a form. provide to the county clerk of each county to which a form will be 25 26 distributed written notification of the approximate number of 27 forms to be distributed to voters in the county and of the first date 28 on which the forms will be distributed. 29 (c) Not return or offer to return to a county clerk a form that 30 was mailed to a registered voter pursuant to this subsection. (d) Not mail such a form later than 35 days before the election. 31 The provisions of this section do not authorize a person to 32 2. vote by absent ballot if the person is not otherwise eligible to vote 33 by absent ballot. 34 35 **Sec. 11.** *1. Except as otherwise provided in chapter 293D of* 36 NRS and section 20 of this act, a registered voter who requests and 37 receives an absent ballot may vote only by absent ballot at the election for which the absent ballot was issued. 38 If a registered voter has requested an absent ballot and the 39 2. absent ballot has been mailed or issued, the county clerk shall 40 notify the appropriate election board that the registered voter has 41 42 requested an absent ballot. 43 Sec. 12. 1. Except as otherwise provided in subsection 2, 44 NRS 293.272 and 293.502 and sections 14 and 15 of this act, a





registered voter may request an absent ballot if, before 5 p.m. on
 the 14th calendar day preceding the election, the registered voter:

3 (a) Provides sufficient written notice to the county clerk; and
4 (b) Has identified himself or herself to the satisfaction of the
5 county clerk.

6 2. A registered voter with a disability may use the system for 7 approved electronic transmission established by the Secretary of 8 State pursuant to subsection 2 of NRS 293D.200 to request an 9 absent ballot in accordance with NRS 293.269951.

10 3. A registered voter may request an absent ballot for all 11 elections held during the year he or she requests an absent ballot.

4. A county clerk shall consider a request from a registered voter who has given sufficient written notice on a form provided by the Federal Government as a request for an absent ballot for the primary election, presidential preference primary election and general election immediately following the date on which the county clerk received the request.

18 5. It is unlawful for a person fraudulently to request an 19 absent ballot in the name of another person or to induce or coerce 20 another person fraudulently to request an absent ballot in the 21 name of another person. A person who violates this subsection is 22 guilty of a category E felony and shall be punished as provided in 23 NRS 193.130.

24 Sec. 13. 1. Every request for an absent ballot must be made 25 available for public inspection.

26 2. A county clerk who allows a person to copy information 27 from an application for an absent ballot is immune from any civil 28 or criminal liability for any damage caused by the distribution of 29 that information, unless the county clerk knowingly and willingly 30 allows a person who intends to use the information to further an 31 unlawful act to copy such information.

32 Sec. 14. 1. Any registered voter who is unable to go to the 33 polls:

(a) Because of an illness or disability resulting in confinement
 in a hospital, sanatorium, dwelling or nursing home; or

(b) Because the registered voter is suddenly hospitalized,
becomes seriously ill or is called away from home after the time
has elapsed for requesting an absent ballot for the election
pursuant to subsection 1 of section 12 of this act,

40 → may submit a written request to the county clerk for an absent 41 ballot. The request must be submitted before 5 p.m. on the day of 42 the election.

43 2. If the county clerk determines that a request submitted 44 pursuant to subsection 1 includes the information required 45 pursuant to subsection 3, the county clerk shall, at the office of the





county clerk, deliver an absent ballot to the person designated in 1 2 the request to obtain the absent ballot for the registered voter.

3 3. A written request submitted pursuant to subsection 1 must 4 include:

5 (a) The name, address and signature of the registered voter 6 requesting the absent ballot;

7 (b) The name, address and signature of the person designated 8 by the registered voter to obtain, deliver and return the absent ballot for the registered voter: 9

10 (c) A brief statement of the illness or disability of the registered 11 voter or of facts sufficient to establish that the registered voter was 12 called away from home after the time had elapsed for requesting 13 the absent ballot;

(d) If the registered voter is confined in a hospital, sanatorium. 14 15 dwelling or nursing home, a statement that he or she will be 16 confined therein on the day of the election; and

17 (e) Unless the person designated pursuant to paragraph (b) will mark and sign the absent ballot on behalf of the registered 18 voter pursuant to subsection 5, a statement signed under penalty 19 20 of perjury that only the registered voter will mark and sign the 21 absent ballot.

22 4. Except as otherwise provided in subsection 5, in order to 23 vote the absent ballot, the registered voter must, in accordance 24 with the instructions: 25

(a) Mark and fold the absent ballot;

26 (b) Deposit the absent ballot in the return envelope and seal 27 the return envelope;

28 (c) Affix his or her signature on the return envelope in the 29 space provided for the signature;

30 (d) Write in the space provided on the return envelope one of 31 the following:

32 (1) The last four digits of his or her driver's license number 33 issued by the Department of Motor Vehicles;

(2) If the voter does not have a driver's license number 34 35 issued by the Department of Motor Vehicles, the last four digits of his or her social security number: or 36

37 (3) If the voter does not have a driver's license number issued by the Department of Motor Vehicles or a social security 38 number, the identification number issued by the county clerk 39 pursuant to NRS 293.507. 40

(e) Close the attached flap over the signature and identifying 41 42 numbers written on the return envelope; and

43 (f) Mail or deliver the return envelope in a manner authorized 44 by law.





1 5. A person designated in a request submitted pursuant to 2 subsection 3 may, on behalf of and at the direction of the 3 registered voter, mark and sign the absent ballot. If the person 4 marks and signs the absent ballot, the person must:

(a) Indicate next to his or her signature that the absent ballot
has been marked and signed on behalf of the registered voter; and
(b) Submit a written statement with the absent ballot that

8 includes the name, address and signature of the person.

9 6. An absent ballot prepared by or on behalf of the registered 10 voter pursuant to this section must be mailed or delivered to the 11 county clerk in accordance with section 16 of this act.

12 7. The procedure authorized by this section is subject to all 13 other provisions of this chapter relating to voting by absent ballot 14 to the extent that those provisions are not inconsistent with the 15 provisions of this section.

16 Sec. 15. 1. A registered voter who provides sufficient 17 written notice to the appropriate county clerk may request that the 18 registered voter receive an absent ballot for all elections at which 19 the registered voter is eligible to vote.

20 2. Except as otherwise provided in subsection 4, upon receipt
21 of a request submitted by a registered voter pursuant to subsection
22 1, the county clerk shall:

(a) Issue an absent ballot to the registered voter for each
primary election, presidential preference primary election, general
election and special election other than a special city election that
is conducted after the date the written statement is submitted to the
county clerk.

(b) Inform the applicable city clerk of receipt of the written statement. Upon receipt of the notice from the county clerk, the city clerk shall issue an absent ballot for each primary city election, general city election and special city election that is conducted after the date the city clerk receives notice from the county clerk.

34 3. If, at the direction of a registered voter with a physical 35 disability or who is at least 65 years of age, a person:

(a) Marks and signs an absent ballot issued to the registered
 voter pursuant to the provisions of this section on behalf of the
 registered voter, the person must:

39 (1) Indicate next to his or her signature that the ballot has 40 been marked and signed on behalf of the registered voter; and

41 (2) Submit a written statement with the absent ballot that 42 includes the name, address and signature of the person.

(b) Assists the registered voter to mark and sign an absent
ballot issued to the registered voter pursuant to the provisions of
this section, the person or registered voter must submit a written





statement with the absent ballot that includes the name, address 1 2 and signature of the person.

3 4. A county clerk may not mail an absent ballot requested by a registered voter pursuant to subsection 1 if, after the request is 4 5 submitted:

6 (a) The registered voter is designated inactive pursuant to 7 NRS 293.530;

8 (b) The county clerk cancels the registration of the person 9 pursuant to NRS 293.530, 293.535 or 293.540; or

10 (c) An absent ballot is returned to the county clerk as undeliverable, unless the registered voter has submitted a new 11 12 request pursuant to subsection 1.

13 5. The procedure authorized pursuant to this section is 14 subject to all other provisions of this chapter relating to voting by absent ballot to the extent that those provisions are not 15 inconsistent with the provisions of this section. 16

17 Sec. 16. 1. Except as otherwise provided in subsection 2, absent ballots must be: 18

19 (a) Delivered by hand to the county clerk before the time set 20 for closing of the polls pursuant to NRS 293.273; or 21

(b) Mailed to the county clerk, and:

22 (1) Postmarked at least 3 days before the day of the 23 election: and

24 (2) Received by the county clerk within the period for the 25 counting of absent ballots pursuant to subsection 2 of section 21 26 of this act.

27 2. If an absent ballot is received not more than 3 days after 28 the day of the election and the date of the postmark cannot be determined, the absent ballot shall be deemed to have been 29 30 postmarked at least 3 days before the day of the election.

Sec. 17. The county clerk shall determine before issuing an 31 32 absent ballot that the person who requested the absent ballot is a 33 registered voter in the proper county.

Sec. 18. 1. Except as otherwise provided in subsection 2 34 and chapter 293D of NRS, if the request for an absent ballot is 35 properly made, the county clerk shall, as soon as the absent ballot 36 37 for the precinct or district in which the voter resides has been prepared pursuant to section 9 of this act, send to the voter by 38 first-class mail, or by any class of mail if the Official Election 39 Mail logo or an equivalent logo or mark created by the United 40 States Postal Service is properly placed on the absent ballot: 41

42 (a) An absent ballot;

43 (b) A return envelope, which must include, without limitation, 44 a flap to cover the signature and identifying numbers of the voter 45 required to be written on the return envelope;





1 (c) An envelope or similar device into which the ballot is 2 inserted to ensure its secrecy;

(d) An identification envelope, if applicable; and

(e) Instructions.

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5 2. If the county clerk fails to send an absent ballot pursuant 6 to subsection 1 to a voter who resides within the continental 7 United States, the county clerk may use approved electronic 8 transmission to send an absent ballot and instructions to the voter. 9 The voter may mail or deliver the absent ballot to the county clerk 10 in a manner authorized by law or submit the absent ballot by 11 approved electronic transmission.

12 3. The return envelope sent pursuant to subsection 1 must 13 include postage prepaid by first-class mail if the absent voter is 14 within the boundaries of the United States, its territories or 15 possessions or on a military base.

16 4. Nothing may be enclosed or sent with an absent ballot 17 except as required by subsection 1 or 2 and chapter 293D of NRS.

18 5. Before depositing an absent ballot in the mail or sending 19 an absent ballot by approved electronic transmission, the county 20 clerk shall record:

21 (a) The date the absent ballot is issued;

22 (b) The name of the absent voter to whom the absent ballot is 23 issued, his or her precinct or district and his or her political 24 affiliation, if any, unless all the offices on the absent ballot are 25 nonpartisan offices;

26 (c) The number of the absent ballot; and

(d) Any remarks the county clerk finds appropriate.

28 6. The Secretary of State shall adopt regulations to carry out 29 the provisions of subsection 2.

30 Sec. 19. 1. Except as otherwise provided in NRS 293.269951 and 293D.200, when an absent ballot is returned by 31 32 an absent voter to the county clerk through the mail, by facsimile machine or other approved electronic transmission or in person. 33 and record of its return is made in the absent ballot record for the 34 35 election, the county clerk or an employee in the office of the 36 county clerk shall:

(a) Except as otherwise provided in paragraph (b), verify that
the last four digits of the driver's license number or social security
number, as applicable, written on the return envelope match the
information of the voter in the records of the county clerk;

41 (b) If the voter has written the identification number issued by 42 the county clerk pursuant to NRS 293.507, verify that the 43 identification number matches the information of the voter in the 44 records of the county clerk; and





1 (c) Check the signature used for the absent ballot against all 2 signatures of the absent voter available in the records of the 3 county clerk.

4 2. Except as otherwise provided in subsection 3, if the county 5 clerk determines pursuant to subsection 1 that the absent voter is 6 entitled to cast the absent ballot and:

7 (a) No absent ballot central counting board has been 8 appointed, the county clerk shall neatly stack, unopened, the 9 absent ballot with any other absent ballot received that day in a 10 container and deliver, or cause to be delivered, that container to 11 the appropriate election board.

12 (b) An absent ballot central counting board has been 13 appointed, the county clerk shall deposit the absent ballot in the 14 proper ballot box or place the absent ballot, unopened, in a 15 container that must be securely locked or under the control of the 16 county clerk at all times. At the end of each day before election 17 day, the county clerk may remove the absent ballots from each ballot box, neatly stack the absent ballots in a container and seal 18 the container with a numbered seal. Not earlier than 4 working 19 20 days before the election, the county clerk shall deliver the absent ballots to the absent ballot central counting board to be processed 21 22 and prepared for counting pursuant to the procedures established 23 by the Secretary of State to ensure the confidentiality of the 24 prepared ballots until after the polls have closed pursuant to NRS 293.273 or 293.305. 25

26 If the county clerk determines when checking the signature 3. 27 of the absent voter pursuant to subsection 1 that the absent voter 28 did not include the necessary information or sign the return envelope but is otherwise entitled to cast the absent ballot, the 29 30 county clerk shall contact the absent voter and advise the voter of the procedures to provide the necessary information or a 31 32 signature. For the absent ballot to be counted, the absent voter 33 must provide a signature within the period for the counting of 34 absent ballots pursuant to subsection 2 of section 21 of this act.

Sec. 20. 1. Except as otherwise provided in NRS
293.269951, chapter 293D of NRS and subsection 2 of section 18
of this act, to vote an absent ballot, the voter must:

(a) Mark and fold the absent ballot;

39 (b) Deposit the absent ballot in the return envelope and seal 40 the return envelope;

41 (c) Affix his or her signature on the return envelope in the 42 space provided for the signature;

43 (d) Write in the space provided on the return envelope one of 44 the following:



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1 (1) The last four digits of his or her driver's license number 2 issued by the Department of Motor Vehicles;

3 (2) If the voter does not have a driver's license number 4 issued by the Department of Motor Vehicles, the last four digits of 5 his or her social security number; or

6 (3) If the voter does not have a driver's license number 7 issued by the Department of Motor Vehicles or a social security 8 number, the identification number issued by the county clerk 9 pursuant to NRS 293.507;

10 (e) Close the attached flap over the signature and identifying 11 numbers written on the return envelope; and

12 (f) Mail or deliver the return envelope in a manner authorized 13 by law.

14 2. Except as otherwise provided in subsection 3, if a 15 registered voter who has requested an absent ballot applies to vote 16 the absent ballot in person at:

17 (a) The office of the county clerk, the voter must vote the 18 absent ballot in the same manner as provided in subsection 1, and 19 deliver the envelope to the county clerk.

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

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

31 (a) **Provides proof of identity**;

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

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

4. Except as otherwise provided in sections 14 and 15 of this act, it is unlawful for any person to return an absent ballot other than the registered voter who requested the absent ballot or, at the request of the voter, a member of the immediate family of the registered voter. A person who returns an absent ballot and who is a member of the immediate family of the registered voter who requested the absent ballot:

(a) Shall, under penalty of perjury, indicate on a form
prescribed by the county clerk that the person is a member of the
immediate family of the registered voter who requested the absent





1 ballot and that the registered voter requested that the person 2 return the absent ballot; and

3 (b) Shall not return more than two absent ballots belonging to 4 a member of the person's immediate family for any election.

5 5. A person who violates the provisions of subsection 4 is 6 guilty of a category E felony and shall be punished as provided in 7 NRS 193.130.

8 Sec. 21. 1. Except as otherwise provided NRS in 293.269951 and 293D.200, on the day of an election, the election 9 boards receiving the absent ballots from the county clerk shall, 10 in the presence of a majority of the election board officers, remove 11 12 the absent ballots from the ballot box and the containers in which the absent ballots were transported pursuant to section 19 of this 13 act and deposit the absent ballots in the regular ballot box in the 14 15 following manner:

(a) The name of the absent voter, as shown on the return
envelope or approved electronic transmission, must be checked as
if the absent voter were voting in person;

19 (b) If the board determines that the absent voter is entitled to 20 cast the absent ballot, the return envelope must be opened, the 21 numbers on the absent ballot and return envelope or approved 22 electronic transmission compared, the number strip or stub 23 detached from the absent ballot, and, if the numbers are the same, 24 the absent ballot deposited in the regular ballot box; and

(c) The election board officers shall indicate the roster
 "Voted" by the name of the absent voter.

27 2. The board must complete the count of all absent ballots on 28 or before the seventh day following the election.

29 Sec. 22. When all absent ballots delivered to the elections 30 boards have been voted or rejected, except as otherwise provided in NRS 293.269951 and 293D.200, the empty envelopes and the 31 envelopes and approved electronic transmissions containing 32 33 rejected absent ballots must be returned to the county clerk. On all envelopes and approved electronic transmissions containing 34 rejected absent ballots, the cause of rejection must be noted and 35 the envelope or approved electronic transmission and signed by a 36 majority of the election board officers. 37

38 Sec. 23. 1. In counties in which an absent ballot central 39 counting board is appointed, the county clerk shall provide a 40 ballot box in the county clerk's office for each different ballot 41 listing in the county.

42 2. On each such box there must appear a statement 43 indicating the precincts and district for which such box has been 44 designated.





1 3. Except as otherwise provided in NRS 293.269951 and 2 293D.200, each absent ballot voted must be deposited in a ballot 3 box according to the precinct or district of the absent voter voting 4 such absent ballot.

5 Sec. 24. An error in the information included by a registered 6 voter in a form to request an absent ballot does not constitute 7 grounds for rejecting an absent ballot cast by the absent voter.

8 Sec. 25. 1. Not earlier than 4 working days before the election, the counting board, if it is responsible for counting 9 absent ballots, or the absent ballot central counting board shall 10 withdraw all the absent ballots from each ballot box or container 11 12 that holds absent ballots received before that day and ascertain 13 that each box or container has the required number of absent 14 ballots according to the county clerk's absent ballot record for the 15 election.

16 2. The counting board or absent ballot central counting 17 board shall count the number of absent ballots in the same 18 manner as election boards.

Sec. 26. 1. Each day after the initial withdrawal of the 19 20 absent ballots pursuant to section 25 of this act and before the day 21 of the election, the counting board, if it is responsible for counting 22 absent ballots, or the absent ballot central counting board shall 23 withdraw from the appropriate ballot boxes or containers all the 24 absent ballots received the previous day and ascertain that each box or container has the required number of absent ballots 25 26 according to the county clerk's absent ballot record for the 27 election.

28 2. If any absent ballots are received by the county clerk on
29 election day pursuant to section 14 of this act, the county clerk
30 shall deposit the absent ballots in the appropriate ballot boxes or
31 containers.

32 3. Not earlier than 4 working days before the election, the 33 appropriate board shall, in public, count the votes cast on the 34 absent ballots.

35 4. If paper ballots are used, the results of the absent ballot vote in each precinct must be certified and submitted to the county 36 37 clerk who shall have the results added to the regular votes of the precinct. The returns of absent ballots must be reported separately 38 from the regular votes of the precinct, unless reporting the returns 39 separately would violate the secrecy of a voter's ballot. The county 40 clerks shall develop a procedure to ensure that each ballot is kept 41 42 secret.

43 5. Any person who disseminates to the public in any way 44 information pertaining to the count of absent ballots before the 45 polls close is guilty of a misdemeanor.





Sec. 27. The Department of Motor Vehicles shall issue an 1 2 identification card at no charge to a person who:

1. Is a registered voter of this State; 3

2. Does not possess a form of proof of identity described in 4 5 section 4 of this act;

Attests that he or she is experiencing financial hardship; 6 3. 7 and

8 4. Submits an application pursuant to NRS 483.850 and section 28 of this act. 9

Sec. 28. 1. A person who wishes to obtain an identification 10 card at no charge pursuant to section 27 of this act must, in 11 12 addition to the requirements of NRS 483.850, submit to the 13 **Department of Motor Vehicles:** 

(a) **Proof that the applicant is a registered voter of this State;** 14 15 and

16 (b) An attestation that he or she is experiencing financial 17 hardship.

18 2. The Department of Motor Vehicles shall not require a person who submits an application pursuant to this section to 19 20 provide proof of financial hardship.

21 Sec. 29. NRS 293.010 is hereby amended to read as follows:

22 293.010 As used in this title, unless the context otherwise 23 requires, the words and terms defined in NRS 293.016 to 293.121, 24 inclusive, and sections 2, 3 and 4 of this act have the meanings 25 ascribed to them in those sections. 26

Sec. 30. NRS 293.093 is hereby amended to read as follows:

27 293.093 "Regular votes" means the votes cast by registered 28 voters, except votes cast by: 29

1. [A mail] An absent ballot;

30 2. A provisional ballot pursuant to NRS 293.3078 to 293.3086, 31 inclusive; or

32 3. A provisional ballot pursuant to NRS 293.5772 to 293.5887, 33 inclusive.

NRS 293.177 is hereby amended to read as follows: 34 Sec. 31.

Except as otherwise provided in NRS 293.165 35 293.177 1. and 293.166, a name may not be printed on a ballot to be used at a 36 primary election unless the person named has filed a declaration of 37 candidacy with the appropriate filing officer and paid the filing fee 38 required by NRS 293.193 not earlier than: 39

(a) For a candidate for judicial office, the first Monday in 40 January of the year in which the election is to be held and not later 41 42 than 5 p.m. on the second Friday after the first Monday in January; 43 and





1 2 3 4 5 6	<ul><li>(b) For all other candidates, the first Monday in March of the year in which the election is to be held and not later than 5 p.m. on the second Friday after the first Monday in March.</li><li>2. A declaration of candidacy required to be filed pursuant to this chapter must be in substantially the following form:</li><li>(a) For partisan office:</li></ul>
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8	DECLARATION OF CANDIDACY OF FOR THE
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10	State of Name Ia
11	State of Nevada
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13	County of
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15	For the purpose of having my name placed on the official
16	ballot as a candidate for the Party nomination for
17	the office of, I, the undersigned, do swear or
18	affirm under penalty of perjury that I actually, as opposed to
19	constructively, reside at, in the City or Town of,
20	County of, State of Nevada; that my actual, as opposed
21 22	to constructive, residence in the State, district, county,
22 23	township, city or other area prescribed by law to which the office pertains began on a date at least 30 days immediately
23 24	preceding the date of the close of filing of declarations of
24 25	candidacy for this office; that my telephone number is
23 26	, and the address at which I receive mail, if different
20	than my residence, is; that I am registered as a member
28	of the Party; that I am a qualified elector pursuant
29	to Section 1 of Article 2 of the Constitution of the State of
30	Nevada; that if I have ever been convicted of treason or a
31	felony, my civil rights have been restored; that I have not, in
32	violation of the provisions of NRS 293.176, changed the
33	designation of my political party or political party affiliation
34	on an official application to register to vote in any state since
35	December 31 before the closing filing date for this election;
36	that I generally believe in and intend to support the concepts
37	found in the principles and policies of that political party in
38	the coming election; that if nominated as a candidate of the
39	Party at the ensuing election, I will accept that
40	nomination and not withdraw; that I will not knowingly
41	violate any election law or any law defining and prohibiting
42	corrupt and fraudulent practices in campaigns and elections in
43	this State; that I will qualify for the office if elected thereto,
44	including, but not limited to, complying with any limitation
45	prescribed by the Constitution and laws of this State

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concerning the number of years or terms for which a person 1 2 may hold the office; that I understand that knowingly and 3 willfully filing a declaration of candidacy which contains a 4 false statement is a crime punishable as a gross misdemeanor 5 and also subjects me to a civil action disqualifying me from 6 entering upon the duties of the office; and that I understand 7 that my name will appear on all ballots as designated in this 8 declaration. 9 10 11 (Designation of name) 12 13 (Signature of candidate for office) 14 15 Subscribed and sworn to before me 16 17 this ..... day of the month of ..... of the year ..... 18 19 ..... 20 Notary Public or other person 21 authorized to administer an oath 22 23 (b) For nonpartisan office: 24 25 DECLARATION OF CANDIDACY OF ...... FOR THE 26 OFFICE OF ..... 27 28 State of Nevada 29 30 County of ..... 31 32 For the purpose of having my name placed on the official ballot as a candidate for the office of ....., I, the 33 undersigned ....., do swear or affirm under penalty of 34 perjury that I actually, as opposed to constructively, reside at 35 ....., in the City or Town of ....., County of ....., State of 36 37 Nevada; that my actual, as opposed to constructive, residence in the State, district, county, township, city or other area 38 39 prescribed by law to which the office pertains began on a date at least 30 days immediately preceding the date of the close 40 of filing of declarations of candidacy for this office; that my 41 42 telephone number is ....., and the address at which I 43 receive mail, if different than my residence, is ......; that I 44 am a qualified elector pursuant to Section 1 of Article 2 of the Constitution of the State of Nevada; that if I have ever been 45





convicted of treason or a felony, my civil rights have been 1 2 restored; that if nominated as a nonpartisan candidate at the 3 ensuing election, I will accept the nomination and not withdraw; that I will not knowingly violate any election law 4 5 or any law defining and prohibiting corrupt and fraudulent 6 practices in campaigns and elections in this State; that I will 7 qualify for the office if elected thereto, including, but not 8 limited to, complying with any limitation prescribed by the Constitution and laws of this State concerning the number of 9 years or terms for which a person may hold the office; that I 10 understand that knowingly and willfully filing a declaration 11 12 of candidacy which contains a false statement is a crime 13 punishable as a gross misdemeanor and also subjects me to a 14 civil action disqualifying me from entering upon the duties of the office; and that I understand that my name will appear on 15 16 all ballots as designated in this declaration. 17 18 ..... (Designation of name) 19 20 21 22 (Signature of candidate for office) 23 24 Subscribed and sworn to before me 25 this ..... day of the month of ..... of the year ..... 26 27 28 Notary Public or other person authorized to administer an oath 29 30 The address of a candidate which must be included in the 31 3. 32 declaration of candidacy pursuant to subsection 2 must be the street 33 address of the residence where the candidate actually, as opposed to constructively, resides in accordance with NRS 281.050, if one has 34 35 been assigned. The declaration of candidacy must not be accepted for filing if the candidate fails to comply with the following 36 provisions of this subsection or, if applicable, the provisions of 37 38 subsection 4: 39 (a) The candidate shall not list the candidate's address as a post 40 office box unless a street address has not been assigned to his or her 41 residence; and 42 (b) Except as otherwise provided in subsection 4, the candidate 43 shall present to the filing officer:





(1) A valid driver's license or identification card issued by a 1 2 governmental agency that contains a photograph of the candidate 3 and the candidate's residential address; or

(2) A current utility bill, bank statement, paycheck, or 4 5 document issued by a governmental entity, including a check which 6 indicates the candidate's name and residential address, but not 7 including a voter registration card.

8 4. If the candidate executes an oath or affirmation under 9 penalty of perjury stating that the candidate is unable to present to the filing officer the proof of residency required by subsection 3 10 because a street address has not been assigned to the candidate's 11 12 residence or because the rural or remote location of the candidate's 13 residence makes it impracticable to present the proof of residency 14 required by subsection 3, the candidate shall present to the filing 15 officer:

16 (a) A valid driver's license or identification card issued by a 17 governmental agency that contains a photograph of the candidate; 18 and

19 (b) Alternative proof of the candidate's residential address that 20 the filing officer determines is sufficient to verify where the candidate actually, as opposed to constructively, resides in 21 22 accordance with NRS 281.050. The Secretary of State may adopt 23 regulations establishing the forms of alternative proof of the 24 candidate's residential address that the filing officer may accept to 25 verify where the candidate actually, as opposed to constructively, 26 resides in accordance with NRS 281.050.

27 The filing officer shall retain a copy of the *documents and* 28 proof of *[identity and]* residency provided by the candidate pursuant 29 to subsection 3 or 4. Such a copy:

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(a) May not be withheld from the public; and

31 (b) Must not contain the social security number, driver's license 32 or identification card number or account number of the candidate.

33 By filing the declaration of candidacy, the candidate shall be 6. deemed to have appointed the filing officer for the office as his or 34 35 her agent for service of process for the purposes of a proceeding 36 pursuant to NRS 293.182. Service of such process must first be 37 attempted at the appropriate address as specified by the candidate in 38 the declaration of candidacy. If the candidate cannot be served at that address, service must be made by personally delivering to and 39 40 leaving with the filing officer duplicate copies of the process. The filing officer shall immediately send, by registered or certified mail, 41 42 one of the copies to the candidate at the specified address, unless the 43 candidate has designated in writing to the filing officer a different 44 address for that purpose, in which case the filing officer shall mail 45 the copy to the last address so designated.





1 7. If the filing officer receives credible evidence indicating that 2 a candidate has been convicted of a felony and has not had his or her 3 civil rights restored, the filing officer:

4 (a) May conduct an investigation to determine whether the 5 candidate has been convicted of a felony and, if so, whether the 6 candidate has had his or her civil rights restored; and

7 (b) Shall transmit the credible evidence and the findings from 8 such investigation to the Attorney General, if the filing officer is the 9 Secretary of State, or to the district attorney, if the filing officer is a 10 person other than the Secretary of State.

11 8. The receipt of information by the Attorney General or 12 district attorney pursuant to subsection 7 must be treated as a 13 challenge of a candidate pursuant to subsections 4 and 5 of NRS 14 293.182 to which the provisions of NRS 293.2045 apply.

9. Any person who knowingly and willfully files a declaration
of candidacy which contains a false statement in violation of this
section is guilty of a gross misdemeanor.

Sec. 32. NRS 293.217 is hereby amended to read as follows:

19 293.217 The county clerk of each county shall appoint and 1. 20 notify registered voters to act as election board officers for the 21 various polling places in the county as provided in NRS 293.220 to 22 293.227, inclusive, and [NRS 293.269929.] sections 5, 6 and 25 of 23 *this act.* The registered voters appointed as election board officers 24 for any polling place must not all be of the same political party. No 25 candidate for nomination or election or a relative of the candidate 26 within the second degree of consanguinity or affinity may be 27 appointed as an election board officer. Immediately after election 28 board officers are appointed, if requested by the county clerk, the 29 sheriff shall:

(a) Appoint a deputy sheriff for each polling place in the county
and for the central election board or the *[mail] absent* ballot central
counting board; or

(b) Deputize as a deputy sheriff for the election an election
board officer of each polling place in the county and for the central
election board or the [mail] absent ballot central counting board.
The deputized officer shall receive no additional compensation for
services rendered as a deputy sheriff during the election for which
the officer is deputized.

⇒ Deputy sheriffs so appointed and deputized shall preserve order
 during hours of voting and attend closing of the polls.

41 2. The county clerk may appoint a trainee for the position of 42 election board officer as set forth in NRS 293.2175.



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Sec. 33. NRS 293.250 is hereby amended to read as follows:

2 293.250 1. Except as otherwise provided in chapter 293D of 3 NRS, the Secretary of State shall, in a manner consistent with the 4 election laws of this State, prescribe:

(a) The form of all ballots, [mail] absent ballots, diagrams,
sample ballots, certificates, notices, declarations, applications to
preregister and register to vote, lists, applications, registers, rosters,
statements and abstracts required by the election laws of this State.

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(b) The procedures to be followed and the requirements of:

10 (1) The system established by the Secretary of State pursuant 11 to NRS 293.671 for using a computer to register voters.

12 (2) The use of the system of approved electronic 13 transmission established pursuant to NRS 293D.200 by electors and 14 voters with disabilities pursuant to NRS 293.269951.

15 2. Except as otherwise provided in chapter 293D of NRS, the 16 Secretary of State shall prescribe with respect to the matter to be 17 printed on every kind of ballot:

(a) The placement and listing of all offices, candidates and
measures upon which voting is statewide, which must be uniform
throughout the State.

(b) The listing of all other candidates required to file with the
Secretary of State, and the order of listing all offices, candidates and
measures upon which voting is not statewide, from which each
county or city clerk shall prepare appropriate ballot forms for use in
any election in his or her county.

3. The Secretary of State shall place the condensation of each
proposed constitutional amendment or statewide measure near the
spaces or devices for indicating the voter's choice.

4. The fiscal note for, explanation of, arguments for and against, and rebuttals to such arguments of each proposed constitutional amendment or statewide measure must be included on all sample ballots.

33 The condensations and explanations for constitutional 5. amendments and statewide measures proposed by initiative or 34 35 referendum must be prepared by the Secretary of State, upon 36 consultation with the Attorney General. The arguments and rebuttals 37 for or against constitutional amendments and statewide measures 38 proposed by initiative or referendum must be prepared in the manner set forth in NRS 293.252. The fiscal notes for constitutional 39 amendments and statewide measures proposed by initiative or 40 referendum must be prepared by the Secretary of State, upon 41 42 consultation with the Fiscal Analysis Division of the Legislative 43 Counsel Bureau. The condensations, explanations, arguments, 44 rebuttals and fiscal notes must be in easily understood language and 45 of reasonable length, and whenever feasible must be completed by





1 August 1 of the year in which the general election is to be held. The 2 explanations must include a digest. The digest must include a 3 concise and clear summary of any existing laws directly related to 4 the constitutional amendment or statewide measure and a summary 5 of how the constitutional amendment or statewide measure adds to, 6 changes or repeals such existing laws. For a constitutional 7 amendment or statewide measure that creates, generates, increases 8 or decreases any public revenue in any form, the first paragraph of 9 the digest must include a statement that the constitutional 10 amendment or statewide measure creates, generates, increases or 11 decreases, as applicable, public revenue.

6. The names of candidates for township and legislative or special district offices must be printed only on the ballots furnished to voters of that township or district.

15 7. A county clerk:

(a) May divide paper ballots into two sheets in a manner which
 provides a clear understanding and grouping of all measures and
 candidates.

19 (b) Shall prescribe the color or colors of the ballots and voting 20 receipts used in any election which the clerk is required to conduct.

21 Sec. 34. NRS 293.2693 is hereby amended to read as follows:

22 293.2693 If a county or city uses paper ballots, including, 23 without limitation, for [mail] *absent* ballots, the county or city clerk 24 shall provide a voter education program specific to the voting 25 system used by the county or city. The voter education program 26 must include, without limitation, information concerning the effect 27 of overvoting and the procedures for correcting a vote on a ballot 28 before it is cast and counted and for obtaining a replacement ballot.

Sec. 35. NRS 293.2694 is hereby amended to read as follows:

293.2694 1. The Secretary of State may enter into one or more contracts for the purchase of all ballots, including, without limitation, [mail] *absent* ballots, and return envelopes for use in any statewide and local election held in this State pursuant to title 24 of NRS. Such a contract is subject to the provisions of chapter 333 of NRS.

36 2. Each board of county commissioners and governing body of 37 an incorporated city in this State may elect to use the ballots, 38 including, without limitation, [mail] absent ballots, and return 39 envelopes purchased by the Secretary of State in accordance with 40 the contract or contracts entered into pursuant to this section for all 41 statewide and local elections held in a given year in this State 42 pursuant to title 24 of NRS by notifying the Secretary of State in 43 writing not less than 8 months before the date of the presidential 44 preference primary election in a presidential election year or the 45 date of the primary election in any other election year.



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1 3. If a contract or contracts entered into pursuant to this section 2 requires the vendor to distribute [mail] absent ballots on behalf of a 3 county or city clerk, the contract or contracts must require the 4 vendor to deposit the **[mail]** absent ballots for mailing at a location 5 within this State.

Sec. 36. NRS 293.269951 is hereby amended to read as 6 7 follows: 8

293.269951 1. The Secretary of State shall allow:

(a) The following electors to use the system of approved 9 electronic transmission established pursuant to NRS 293D.200 to 10 register to vote in every election where the system of approved 11 12 electronic transmission is available to a covered voter to register to 13 vote:

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(1) An elector with a disability; and

15 (2) An elector who is a tribal member and who resides on an 16 Indian reservation or Indian colony.

(b) The following registered voters to use the system of 17 approved electronic transmission established pursuant to NRS 18 19 293D.200 to apply for and cast an absent ballot in every election 20 where the system of approved electronic transmission is available to 21 a covered voter to request and cast a military-overseas ballot:

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(1) A registered voter with a disability; and

23 (2) A registered voter who is a tribal member and who 24 resides on an Indian reservation or Indian colony.

The deadline to use the system of approved electronic 25 2. 26 transmission:

27 (a) To register to vote for an elector pursuant to paragraph (a) of 28 subsection 1 is the same as the deadline set forth in NRS 293D.230 29 for a covered voter to register to vote.

30 (b) To apply for a ballot for a registered voter pursuant to paragraph (b) of subsection 1, is the same as the deadline set forth in 31 32 NRS 293D.310 for a covered voter to request and cast a military-33 overseas ballot.

34 (c) To cast **a** *an absent* ballot for a registered voter pursuant to 35 paragraph (b) of subsection 1, is the same as the deadline set forth in 36 NRS 293D.400 for a covered voter to request and cast a military-37 overseas ballot.

38 3. Upon receipt of an application and *absent* ballot cast by a 39 person authorized pursuant to subsection 1 to use the system of approved electronic transmission established pursuant to NRS 40 41 293D.200, the local elections official shall affix, mark or otherwise 42 acknowledge receipt of the application and *absent* ballot by means 43 of a time stamp on the application.

44 4. The Secretary of State shall ensure that a person who is 45 authorized pursuant to subsection 1 may provide his or her digital





1 signature or electronic signature on any document or other material

2 that is necessary for the elector or registered voter to register to vote,
3 apply for [a] an absent ballot or cast [a] an absent ballot, as
4 applicable.

5 5. The Secretary of State shall prescribe the form and content 6 of a declaration for use by a person authorized pursuant to 7 subsection 1 to swear or affirm specific representations pertaining to 8 identity, eligibility to vote, status as such an elector or registered 9 voter and timely and proper completion of **[a]** an absent ballot.

6. The Secretary of State shall prescribe the duties of the county clerk upon receipt of a ballot sent by a registered voter authorized pursuant to subsection 1 to use the system of approved electronic transmission, including, without limitation, the procedures to be used in accepting, handling and counting the *absent* ballot.

16 7. The Secretary of State shall make available to a person 17 authorized pursuant to subsection 1 information regarding 18 instructions on using the system for approved electronic 19 transmission to register to vote and apply for and cast [a] an absent 20 ballot.

8. The Secretary of State shall adopt any regulation necessaryto carry out the provisions of this section.

23 9. As used in this section:

24 (a) "Covered voter" has the meaning ascribed to it in 25 NRS 293D.030.

26 (b) "Digital signature" has the meaning ascribed to it in 27 NRS 720.060.

(c) "Electronic signature" has the meaning ascribed to it inNRS 719.100.

30 (d) "Military-overseas ballot" has the meaning ascribed to it in31 NRS 293D.050.

32 Sec. 37. NRS 293.269971 is hereby amended to read as 33 follows:

293.269971 1. Each person who administers a county or city jail shall establish a policy that ensures that:

(a) A person who is detained in the jail and is a registered voter
may vote in each primary election, presidential preference primary
election, primary city election, general election and general city
election in which the person is eligible to vote; and

40 (b) A person who is detained in the jail and is a qualified elector 41 may register to vote in each primary election, presidential 42 preference primary election, primary city election, general election 43 and general city election in which the person is eligible to register to 44 vote.





1 2. If qualified electors or registered voters of a county are 2 detained in a jail or facility located in another county pursuant to an 3 agreement entered into pursuant to subsection 2 of NRS 211.010, 4 the county clerk shall coordinate with the person who administers 5 the jail in the county where such qualified electors or registered 6 voters are detained to establish a procedure for those persons to 7 register to vote and vote.

8 3. Each policy or procedure established pursuant to subsection 9 1 or 2, as applicable, must:

10 (a) Be developed in coordination with the county clerk and, if 11 applicable, the city clerk;

12 (b) Be consistent with the provisions of this title relating to 13 elections;

(c) Ensure the safety of any election board officer or other
person who assists in the conduct of registering to vote or voting at
the jail;

(d) Ensure that a person who registers to vote or votes in a jailmay do so without coercion or intimidation;

19 (e) Ensure the secrecy of the ballot, including, without 20 limitation, the [mail] *absent* ballot; and

(f) Set forth a process that allows for same-day voter registration and allows a family member of a person detained in the jail to provide the person in the jail with the necessary information to register to vote on the day of the election pursuant to NRS 293.5847.

4. Each county or city jail shall post in a prominent location and set forth in the handbook for detained persons information relating to elections and voting in the jail, including, without limitation, qualifications to register to vote and to vote and the options and procedures for registering to vote and voting at the jail.

5. Nothing in this section authorizes a person convicted of a felony in this State who has not had his or her right to vote restored pursuant to NRS 213.157 to vote or to register to vote.

6. The Secretary of State shall adopt regulations to carry outthe provisions of this section.

36 Sec. 38. NRS 293.269973 is hereby amended to read as 37 follows:

38 293.269973 1. Each county or city jail shall:

(a) Provide each person detained in the jail with a reasonable
amount of privacy to vote, which may, without limitation, be in a
common area, visitation area, room or cell;

42 (b) Provide each person detained in the jail with a pen with 43 black or blue ink to vote his or her [mail] *absent* ballot;

44 (c) Allow the county clerk to establish a process for the 45 collection of the [mail] *absent* ballots voted by persons detained in





1 the jail that includes a method for documenting the chain of custody 2 of [mail] *absent* ballots; and

3 (d) If applicable, allow the person to cure any defect in the 4 signature or *necessary information* on [a mail] an absent ballot pursuant to [NRS 293.269927.] section 19 of this act. 5

6 A county or city jail shall not open [a mail] an absent ballot 2. 7 after a prisoner has voted and sealed the **[mail]** absent ballot.

NRS 293.272 is hereby amended to read as follows: 8 Sec. 39.

9 293.272 1. Except as otherwise provided in subsection 2 and in NRS 293.2725 and 293.3083, a person who registered by mail or 10 computer to vote shall, for the first election in which the person 11 12 votes at which that registration is valid, vote in person unless he or 13 she has previously voted in the county in which he or she is 14 registered to vote.

15 2. The provisions of subsection 1 do not apply to a person who: 16 (a) Is entitled to vote otherwise than in person pursuant to 17 federal law or chapter 293D of NRS [;] or section 14 of this act; 18

(b) Is disabled:

19 (c) Is provided the right to vote otherwise than in person pursuant to the Voting Accessibility for the Elderly and 20 Handicapped Act, 52 U.S.C. §§ 20101 et seq.; [or] 21

22 (d) [Is sent a mail ballot pursuant to the provisions of NRS 23 293.269913 and includes a copy of the information required pursuant to paragraph (b) of subsection 1 of NRS 293.2725 with his 24 25 or her voted mail ballot, if required pursuant to NRS 293.269915.] 26 Submits or has previously submitted a written request for an 27 absent ballot that is signed by the registered voter before a notary 28 public or other person authorized to administer an oath; or

29 (e) Requests an absent ballot in person at the office of the 30 county clerk.

31 Sec. 40. NRS 293.2725 is hereby amended to read as follows:

32 293.2725 Except as otherwise provided in subsection 2, in 1. 33 NRS 293.3081, 293.3083 and 293.5772 to 293.5887, inclusive, and in federal law, in addition to any other requirement to vote, a 34 35 person who registers to vote by mail or computer or is registered to 36 vote by an automatic voter registration agency, or a person who 37 preregisters to vote by mail or computer and is subsequently deemed 38 to be registered to vote, and who has not previously voted in an 39 election for federal office in this State:

40 (a) May vote at a polling place only if the person presents to the 41 election board officer at the polling place:

42 (1) A current and valid photo identification of the person, 43 which shows his or her physical address; or

44 (2) A copy of a current utility bill, bank statement, paycheck, 45 or document issued by a governmental entity, including a check



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1 which indicates the name and address of the person, but not 2 including a voter registration card; and

3 (b) May vote by mail only if the person provides to the county 4 or city clerk:

5 (1) A copy of a current and valid photo identification of the 6 person, which shows his or her physical address; or

(2) A copy of a current utility bill, bank statement, paycheck, 7 or document issued by a governmental entity, including a check 8 9 which indicates the name and address of the person, but not including a voter registration card. 10

11  $\rightarrow$  If there is a question as to the physical address of the person, the 12 election board officer or clerk may request additional information.

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2. The provisions of subsection 1 do not apply to a person who: 14 (a) Registers to vote by mail or computer, or preregisters to vote by mail or computer and is subsequently deemed to be registered to 15 16 vote, and submits with an application to preregister or register to vote:

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(1) A copy of a current and valid photo identification; or

19 (2) A copy of a current utility bill, bank statement, paycheck, 20 or document issued by a governmental entity, including a check 21 which indicates the name and address of the person, but not 22 including a voter registration card;

23 (b) Except as otherwise provided in subsection 3, registers to 24 vote by mail or computer and submits with an application to register 25 to vote a driver's license number or at least the last four digits of his 26 or her social security number, if a state or local election official has 27 matched that information with an existing identification record 28 bearing the same number, name and date of birth as provided by the 29 person in the application;

(c) Registers to vote pursuant to NRS 293.5768 to 293.57699. 30 31 inclusive, and at that time presents to the automatic voter 32 registration agency:

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(1) A copy of a current and valid photo identification;

(2) A copy of a current utility bill, bank statement, paycheck 34 35 or document issued by a governmental entity, including a check 36 which indicates the name and address of the person, but not 37 including a voter registration card; or

38 (3) A driver's license number or at least the last four digits of his or her social security number, if a state or local election official 39 40 has matched that information with an existing identification record 41 bearing the same number, name and date of birth as provided by the 42 person in the application;

43 (d) Is entitled to vote an absent ballot pursuant to the Uniformed and Overseas Citizens Absentee Voting Act, 52 U.S.C. §§ 20301 et 44 45 seq.;





(e) Is provided the right to vote otherwise than in person under
 the Voting Accessibility for the Elderly and Handicapped Act, 52
 U.S.C. §§ 20101 et seq.; or

4 (f) Is entitled to vote otherwise than in person under any other 5 federal law.

6 3. The provisions of subsection 1 apply to a person described 7 in paragraph (b) of subsection 2 if the voter registration card issued 8 to the person is mailed by the county clerk to the person and 9 returned to the county clerk by the United States Postal Service.

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Sec. 41. NRS 293.2733 is hereby amended to read as follows:

11 293.2733 1. If an Indian reservation or Indian colony is 12 located in whole or in part within a county, the county clerk:

(a) Shall, except as otherwise provided in subsections 2 and 5,
establish within the boundaries of the Indian reservation or Indian
colony at a location approved by the Indian tribe for the day of a
primary election, presidential preference primary election or general
election a polling place ; [and a ballot drop box;] and

(b) May establish additional polling places [or ballot drop boxes, or both,] within the boundaries of the Indian reservation or Indian colony for the day of a primary election, presidential preference primary election or general election upon the request of an Indian tribe submitted not later than the dates set forth in subsection 2 to elect not to have a polling place [and ballot drop box] established within the boundaries of the Indian reservation or Indian colony.

25 2. An Indian tribe may elect not to have a polling place [and 26 ballot drop box] established within the boundaries of an Indian 27 reservation or Indian colony for the day of a primary election, 28 presidential preference primary election or general election by 29 submitting notice to the county clerk on or before:

(a) If the notice is for a primary election, January 15 of the yearin which the primary election is to be held.

(b) If the notice is for a presidential preference primary election,
 September 15 of the year immediately preceding the year of the
 presidential preference primary election.

(c) If the notice is for a general election, June 15 of the year inwhich the general election is to be held.

37 3. Any location of a polling place [or ballot drop box]
38 established pursuant to subsection 1 must satisfy the criteria the
39 county clerk uses for the establishment of any other polling place ,
40 [and ballot drop box,] as applicable.

41 4. Except as otherwise provided in subsection 5, the county 42 clerk must continue to establish one polling place [and ballot drop 43 box] within the boundaries of the Indian reservation or Indian 44 colony at a location approved by the Indian tribe for the day of any 45 future primary election, presidential preference primary election or





1 general election unless otherwise notified by the Indian tribe 2 pursuant to subsection 2.

5. Not later than the dates set forth in subsection 2 to elect not to have a polling place [and ballot drop box] established within the boundaries of the Indian reservation or Indian colony, an Indian tribe that elects to have a polling place [and ballot drop box] established must submit to the county clerk and the tribal liaison designated by the Office of the Secretary of State pursuant to NRS 233A.260:

(a) The location for the polling place ; [and ballot drop box and
whether the location will have only a polling place or ballot drop
box or both a polling place and ballot drop box;]

(b) Whether the Indian tribe will select registered voters to be
appointed to act as election board officers to staff the polling place
within the boundaries of the Indian reservation or Indian colony;
and

(c) The proposed days and hours for the operation of the pollingplace.

19 → If an Indian tribe does not submit the information required
20 pursuant to this subsection, the Indian tribe shall be deemed to have
21 elected not to have a polling place [and ballot drop box] established
22 within the boundaries of the Indian reservation or Indian colony.

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Sec. 42. NRS 293.277 is hereby amended to read as follows:

24 293.277 1. Except as otherwise provided in NRS 293.283, 25 293.541, 293.57691 and 293.5772 to 293.5887, inclusive, if a 26 person's name appears in the roster or if the person provides an 27 affirmation pursuant to NRS 293.525, the person is entitled to vote 28 and must [sign] :

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(a) Present proof of identity; and

30 **(b)** Sign his or her name in the roster or on a signature card 31 when he or she applies to vote. The signature must be compared by 32 an election board officer with the signature or a facsimile thereof on 33 the person's application to register to vote or <u>[one of the forms of</u> 34 identification listed in subsection 2.] on his or her proof of identity.

2. [Except as otherwise provided in NRS 293.2725, the forms
36 of identification which may be used individually to identify a voter
37 at the polling place are:

38 (a) The voter registration card issued to the voter;

39 (b) <u>A driver's license;</u>

40 (c) An identification card issued by the Department of Motor 41 Vehicles;

42 (d) A military identification card; or

43 (e) Any other form of identification issued by a governmental

44 agency which contains the voter's signature and physical description

45 or picture.





1 3.] The county clerk shall prescribe a procedure, approved by 2 the Secretary of State, to verify that the voter has not already voted 3 in that county in the current election. 4 **Sec. 43.** NRS 293.283 is hereby amended to read as follows: 5 293.283 1. If, because of physical limitations, a registered 6 voter is unable to sign his or her name in the roster or on a signature 7 card as required by NRS 293.277, the voter must be identified by: 8 (a) *Either*: 9 (1) Answering questions from the election board officer covering the personal data which is reported on the application to 10 11 register to vote; or 12 (b) (2) Providing the election board officer, orally or in 13 writing, with other personal data which verifies the identity of the 14 voter; for and [(c) Providing] 15 16 (b) **Presenting** the election board officer with **his or her** proof 17 of **Jidentification as described in NRS 293.277** other than the voter registration card issued to the voter.] identity. 18 19 2. If the identity of the voter is verified, the election board 20 officer shall indicate in the roster "Identified" by the voter's name. 21 Sec. 44. NRS 293.285 is hereby amended to read as follows: 22 293.285 1. Except as otherwise provided in NRS 293.283 23 and 293.5772 to 293.5887, inclusive: 24 (a) A registered voter applying to vote shall state his or her 25 name to the election board officer in charge of the roster; and 26 (b) The election board officer shall: 27 (1) Announce the name of the registered voter; 28 (2) Require the registered voter to present proof of identity; 29 (3) Instruct the registered voter to sign the roster or signature 30 card; [(3)] (4) Verify the signature of the registered voter in the 31 32 manner set forth in NRS 293.277; and 33  $\left[ \frac{(4)}{(5)} \right]$  (5) Verify that the registered voter has not already 34 voted in that county in the current election. 35 2. Except as otherwise provided in NRS 293.57691, if the 36 signature does not match, the *registered* voter must be identified by: 37 (a) Answering questions from the election board officer 38 covering the personal data which is reported on the application to 39 register to vote; 40 (b) Providing the election board officer, orally or in writing, 41 with other personal data which verifies the identity of the *registered* 42 voter; or 43 (c) Providing the election board officer with proof of identification as described in NRS 293.277 other than the voter 44 45 registration card issued to the voter.] Comparing the signature of





1 the registered voter on the roster to the signature on the registered 2 voter's proof of identity.

3 3. If the signature of the *registered* voter has changed in comparison to the signature on the application to preregister or 4 register to vote, the *registered* voter must update his or her signature 5 6 on a form prescribed by the Secretary of State.

7 For the purposes of subsection 2, the personal data of a 4. 8 *registered* voter may include his or her date of birth.

**Sec. 45.** NRS 293.287 is hereby amended to read as follows:

293.287 A registered voter applying to vote at any primary 10 1. election or presidential preference primary election shall give his or 11 12 her name and political affiliation, if any, to the election board officer 13 in charge of the roster, and the officer shall immediately announce 14 the name and political affiliation **H** and require that the registered 15 voter present proof of identity.

16 2. Any person's right to vote may be challenged by any 17 registered voter upon:

18 (a) Any of the grounds allowed for a challenge in NRS 293.303;

19 (b) The ground that the person applying does not belong to the 20 political party designated upon the roster; or

21 (c) The ground that the roster does not show that the person 22 designated the political party to which he or she claims to belong.

23 Any such challenge must be disposed of in the manner 3. provided by NRS 293.303. 24

25 4. A registered voter who has designated on his or her 26 application to register to vote an affiliation with a minor political 27 party may vote a nonpartisan ballot at the primary election.

28 **Sec. 46.** NRS 293.3025 is hereby amended to read as follows:

29 293.3025 The Secretary of State and each county and city clerk 30 shall ensure that a copy of each of the following is posted in a 31 conspicuous place at each polling place on election day: 32

A sample ballot; 1.

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33 2. Information concerning the date and hours of operation of 34 the polling place;

35 3. Instructions for voting and casting a ballot, including a 36 provisional ballot pursuant to NRS 293.3078 to 293.3086, inclusive, 37 or a provisional ballot pursuant to NRS 293.5772 to 293.5887, 38 inclusive;

4. Instructions concerning the proof of identity required to 39 40 *vote at the polling place;* 

41 Instructions concerning the identification required for 5. 42 persons who registered by mail or computer and are first-time voters 43 for federal office in this State:

44 **5. 6.** Information concerning the accessibility of polling 45 places to persons with disabilities;





1 [6.] 7. General information concerning federal and state laws 2 which prohibit acts of fraud and misrepresentation; and

3 [7.] 8. Information concerning the eligibility of a candidate, a 4 ballot question or any other matter appearing on the ballot as a result 5 of a judicial determination or by operation of law, if any.

6 7 Sec. 47. NRS 293.303 is hereby amended to read as follows:

293.303 1. A person applying to vote may be challenged:

8 (a) Orally by any registered voter of the precinct upon the 9 ground that he or she is not the person entitled to vote as claimed or 10 has voted before at the same election. A registered voter who 11 initiates a challenge pursuant to this paragraph must submit an 12 affirmation that is signed under penalty of perjury and in the form 13 prescribed by the Secretary of State stating that the challenge is 14 based on the personal knowledge of the registered voter.

15 (b) On any ground set forth in a challenge filed with the county 16 clerk pursuant to the provisions of NRS 293.547.

17 2. If a person is challenged, an election board officer shall 18 tender the challenged person the following oath or affirmation:

(a) If the challenge is on the ground that the challenged person
does not belong to the political party designated upon the roster, "I
swear or affirm under penalty of perjury that I belong to the political
party designated upon the roster";

(b) If the challenge is on the ground that the roster does not
show that the challenged person designated the political party to
which he or she claims to belong, "I swear or affirm under penalty
of perjury that I designated on the application to register to vote the
political party to which I claim to belong";

(c) If the challenge is on the ground that the challenged person
does not reside at the residence for which the address is listed in the
roster, "I swear or affirm under penalty of perjury that I reside at the
residence for which the address is listed in the roster";

(d) If the challenge is on the ground that the challenged person
previously voted a ballot for the election, "I swear or affirm under
penalty of perjury that I have not voted for any of the candidates or
questions included on this ballot for this election"; or

(e) If the challenge is on the ground that the challenged person is
not the person he or she claims to be, "I swear or affirm under
penalty of perjury that I am the person whose name is in this roster."

<sup>39</sup>  $\rightarrow$  The oath or affirmation must be set forth on a form prepared by the Secretary of State and signed by the challenged person under penalty of perjury.

42 3. Except as otherwise provided in subsection 4, if the 43 challenged person refuses to execute the oath or affirmation so 44 tendered, the person must not be issued a ballot, and the election





1 board officer shall indicate in the roster "Challenged" by the 2 person's name.

3 4. If the challenged person refuses to execute the oath or 4 affirmation set forth in paragraph (a) or (b) of subsection 2, the 5 election board officers shall issue the person a nonpartisan ballot.

5. If the challenged person refuses to execute the oath or affirmation set forth in paragraph (c) of subsection 2, the election board officers shall inform the person that he or she is entitled to vote only in the manner prescribed in NRS 293.304.

10 6. If the challenged person executes the oath or affirmation and 11 the challenge is not based on the ground set forth in paragraph (e) of 12 subsection 2, the election board officers shall issue the person a 13 partisan ballot.

7. If the challenge is based on the ground set forth in paragraph (c) of subsection 2, and the challenged person executes the oath or affirmation, the election board shall not issue the person a ballot until he or she furnishes satisfactory identification which contains proof of the address at which the person actually resides. For the purposes of this subsection, a voter registration card does not provide proof of the address at which a person resides.

8. If the challenge is based on the ground set forth in paragraph
(e) of subsection 2 and the challenged person executes the oath or
affirmation, the election board shall not issue the person a ballot
unless the person [:

(a) Furnishes official identification which contains a photograph
 of the person, such as a driver's license or other official document;
 or

(b) Brings before the election board officers a person who is at
 least 18 years of age who:

30 (1) Furnishes official identification which contains a
 31 photograph of that person, such as a driver's license or other official
 32 document; and

(2) Executes an oath or affirmation under penalty of perjury
 that the challenged person is who he or she swears to be.] *furnishes proof of identity.*

- 36 9. The election board officers shall:
- 37 (a) Record on the challenge list:
  - (1) The name of the challenged person;
- 39 (2) The name of the registered voter who initiated the 40 challenge; and
  - (3) The result of the challenge; and

42 (b) If possible, orally notify the registered voter who initiated 43 the challenge of the result of the challenge.



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1 Sec. 48. NRS 293.3075 is hereby amended to read as follows: 2 Except as otherwise provided in NRS 293.283 293.3075 1. and 293.5772 to 293.5887, inclusive, upon the appearance of a 3 person to cast a ballot at a polling place established pursuant to NRS 4 5 293.3072, the election board officer shall: 6 (a) Determine [that] whether the person is a registered voter in 7 the county and has not already voted in that county in the current 8 election: 9 (b) *Require the registered voter to present proof of identity;* (c) Instruct the *registered* voter to sign the roster or a signature 10 11 card: and 12 (d) Verify the signature of the *registered* voter in the 13 manner set forth in NRS 293.277. Except as otherwise provided in NRS 293.57691, if the 14 2. 15 signature of the *registered* voter does not match, the *registered* voter 16 must be identified by: 17 (a) *Either*: 18 (1) Answering questions from the election board officer 19 covering the personal data which is reported on the application to 20 register to vote; or 21 (b) (2) Providing the election board officer, orally or in 22 writing, with other personal data which verifies the identity of the 23 *registered* voter; for 24 (c) Providing and 25 (b) **Presenting** the election board officer with **his or her** proof 26 of lidentification as described in NRS 293.277 other than the voter registration card issued to the voter.] identity. 27 28 3. If the signature of the *registered* voter has changed in 29 comparison to the signature on the application to register to vote, the 30 *registered* voter must update his or her signature on a form 31 prescribed by the Secretary of State. 32 The county clerk shall prescribe a procedure, approved by 4. 33 the Secretary of State, to verify that the *registered* voter has not already voted in that county in the current election. 34 35 5. When a *registered* voter is entitled to cast a ballot and has 36 identified himself or herself to the satisfaction of the election board 37 officer, the *registered* voter is entitled to receive the appropriate ballot or ballots, but only for his or her own use at the polling place 38 39 where he or she applies to vote. 40 If the ballot is voted on a mechanical recording device which 6. 41 directly records the votes electronically, the election board officer 42 shall: 43 (a) Prepare the mechanical voting device for the *registered* 44 voter:





(b) Ensure that the *registered* voter's precinct or voting district 1 2 and the form of the ballot are indicated on the voting receipt, if the 3 county clerk uses voting receipts; and

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(c) Allow the *registered* voter to cast a vote.

5 7. A *registered* voter applying to vote at a polling place 6 established pursuant to NRS 293.3072 may be challenged pursuant 7 to NRS 293.303.

Sec. 49. NRS 293.3081 is hereby amended to read as follows:

293.3081 A person at a polling place may cast a provisional 9 ballot in an election pursuant to NRS 293.3078 to 293.3086. 10 inclusive, if the person complies with the applicable provisions of 11 12 NRS 293.3082 and:

13 1. Declares that he or she has registered to vote and is eligible 14 to vote at that election in that jurisdiction, but [his or her]:

15 (a) The name of the person does not appear on a voter 16 registration list as a voter eligible to vote in that election in that 17 jurisdiction [or an];

18 (b) An election official asserts that the person is not eligible to 19 vote in that election in that jurisdiction; or

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(c) The person fails to present proof of identity;

21 2. Applies by mail or computer, on or after January 1, 2003, to 22 register to vote and has not previously voted in an election for federal office in this State and fails to provide the identification 23 24 required pursuant to paragraph (a) of subsection 1 of NRS 293.2725 25 to the election board officer at the polling place; or

26 Declares that he or she is entitled to vote after the polling 3. 27 place would normally close as a result of a court order or other order 28 extending the time established for the closing of polls pursuant to a 29 law of this State in effect 10 days before the date of the election. 30

Sec. 50. NRS 293.3082 is hereby amended to read as follows:

31 293.3082 1. Before a person may cast a provisional ballot pursuant to NRS 293.3081, the person must complete a written 32 33 affirmation on a form provided by an election board officer, as 34 prescribed by the Secretary of State, at the polling place which 35 includes:

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(a) The name of the person casting the provisional ballot; (b) The reason for casting the provisional ballot;

38 (c) A statement in which the person casting the provisional ballot affirms under penalty of perjury that he or she is a registered 39 40 voter in the jurisdiction and is eligible to vote in the election;

41 (d) The date and type of election;

42 (e) The signature of the person casting the provisional ballot;

43 (f) The signature of the election board officer;

44 (g) A unique affirmation identification number assigned to the 45 person casting the provisional ballot;





1 (h) If the person is casting the provisional ballot pursuant to 2 subsection 1 of NRS 293.3081:

3 (1) An indication by the person as to whether or not he or she 4 provided the required identification at the time the person applied to 5 register to vote;

6 (2) The address of the person as listed on the application to 7 register to vote;

8 (3) Information concerning the place, manner and 9 approximate date on which the person applied to register to vote;

10 (4) Any other information that the person believes may be 11 useful in verifying that the person has registered to vote; and

12 (5) A statement informing the voter that if the voter does not 13 provide [identification] *proof of identity* at the time the voter casts 14 the provisional ballot, the required [identification] *proof of identity* 15 must be provided to the county or city clerk not later than 5 p.m. on 16 the Friday following election day and that failure to do so will result 17 in the provisional ballot not being counted;

18 (i) If the person is casting the provisional ballot pursuant to 19 subsection 2 of NRS 293.3081:

20 (1) The address of the person as listed on the application to 21 register to vote;

22 (2) The voter registration number, if any, issued to the 23 person; and

(3) A statement informing the voter that the required
[identification] *proof of identity* must be provided to the county or
city clerk not later than 5 p.m. on the Friday following election day
and that failure to do so will result in the provisional ballot not
being counted; and

(j) If the person is casting the provisional ballot pursuant to
subsection 3 of NRS 293.3081, the voter registration number, if any,
issued to the person.

32 2. After a person completes a written affirmation pursuant to33 subsection 1:

(a) The election board officer shall provide the person with a
receipt that includes the unique affirmation identification number
described in subsection 1 and that explains how the person may use
the free access system established pursuant to NRS 293.3086 to
ascertain whether the person's vote was counted, and, if the vote
was not counted, the reason why the vote was not counted;

40 (b) The voter's name and applicable information must be 41 entered into the roster in a manner which indicates that the voter 42 cast a provisional ballot; and

43 (c) The election board officer shall issue a provisional ballot to44 the person to vote.





Sec. 51. NRS 293.3085 is hereby amended to read as follows:

2 293.3085 1. Following each election, a canvass of the 3 provisional ballots cast in the election must be conducted pursuant 4 to NRS 293.387 and, if appropriate, pursuant to NRS 293C.387.

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The county and city clerk shall not: 2.

6 (a) Include any provisional ballot in the unofficial results 7 reported on election night; or

8 (b) Open any envelope containing a provisional ballot before 8 9 a.m. on the Wednesday following election day.

Except as otherwise provided in subsection 4, a provisional 10 3. ballot must be counted if: 11

12 (a) The county or city clerk determines that the person who cast 13 the provisional ballot was registered to vote in the election, eligible 14 to vote in the election and issued the appropriate ballot for the 15 address at which the person resides;

16 (b) A voter who failed to provide required identification at the 17 polling place or with his or her mailed ballot provides the required 18 identification to the county or city clerk not later than 5 p.m. on the 19 Friday following election day [;], including, if applicable, his or 20 *her proof of identity*; or

21 (c) A court order has not been issued by 5 p.m. on the Friday 22 following election day directing that provisional ballots cast 23 pursuant to subsection 3 of NRS 293.3081 not be counted, and the 24 provisional ballot was cast pursuant to subsection 3 of 25 NRS 293.3081.

26 A provisional ballot must not be counted if the county or 4. 27 city clerk determines that the person who cast the provisional ballot 28 cast the wrong ballot for the address at which the person resides. 29

Sec. 52. NRS 293.356 is hereby amended to read as follows:

30 293.356 If a request is made to vote early by a registered voter 31 in person, the election board shall, *except as otherwise provided in* 32 **NRS 293.3585**, issue a ballot for early voting to the voter. Such a ballot must be voted on the premises of a polling place for early 33 voting established pursuant to NRS 293.3564, 293.3572, 293.3575 34 35 or 298.690.

36 Sec. 53. NRS 293.3585 is hereby amended to read as follows:

37 293.3585 Except as otherwise provided in NRS 293.283 1. 38 and 293.5772 to 293.5887, inclusive, upon the appearance of a 39 person to cast a ballot for early voting, an election board officer 40 shall:

41 (a) Determine **[that]** whether the person is a registered voter in 42 the county.

43 (b) *Require the registered voter to present proof of identity.* 

44 (c) Instruct the *registered* voter to sign the roster for early voting 45 or a signature card.





(d) Verify the signature of the *registered* voter in the 1 2 manner set forth in NRS 293.277.

[(d)] (e) Verify that the *registered* voter has not already voted in 3 4 that county in the current election.

5 Except as otherwise provided in NRS 293.57691, if the 2. 6 signature of the *registered* voter does not match, the *registered* voter 7 must be identified by:

(a) *Either*:

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9 (1) Answering questions from the election board officer covering the personal data which is reported on the application to 10 11 register to vote; or

12 (b) (2) Providing the election board officer, orally or in 13 writing, with other personal data which verifies the identity of the 14 *registered* voter: for

15 (c) Providing] and

(b) **Presenting** the election board officer with proof of 16 [identification as described in NRS 293.277 other than the voter 17 registration card issued to the voter.] identity. 18

3. If the signature of the *registered* voter has changed in 19 20 comparison to the signature on the application to register to vote, the registered voter must update his or her signature on a form 21 22 prescribed by the Secretary of State.

23 The county clerk shall prescribe a procedure, approved by 4. 24 the Secretary of State, to verify that the *registered* voter has not 25 already voted in that county in the current election.

26 The roster for early voting or a signature card, as applicable, 5. 27 must contain:

28 (a) The *registered* voter's name, the address where he or she is 29 registered to vote, his or her voter identification number and a place 30 for the voter's signature;

(b) The *registered* voter's precinct or voting district number, if 31 32 that information is available: and 33

(c) The date of voting early in person.

When a *registered* voter is entitled to cast a ballot and has 34 6. 35 identified himself or herself to the satisfaction of the election board officer, the *registered* voter is entitled to receive the appropriate 36 37 ballot or ballots, but only for his or her own use at the polling place 38 for early voting.

7. If the ballot is voted on a mechanical recording device which 39 40 directly records the votes electronically, the election board officer 41 shall:

42 (a) Prepare the mechanical recording device for the *registered* 43 voter;





(b) Ensure that the *registered* voter's precinct or voting district, 1 2 if that information is available, and the form of ballot are indicated 3 on the voting receipt, if the county clerk uses voting receipts; and

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(c) Allow the *registered* voter to cast a vote.

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A *registered* voter applying to vote early by personal 8. appearance may be challenged pursuant to NRS 293.303. 6

7 For the purposes of subsection 2, the personal data of a 9. 8 *registered* voter may include his or her date of birth.

Sec. 54. NRS 293.3625 is hereby amended to read as follows:

The county clerk shall make a record of the receipt at 10 293.3625 the central counting place of each sealed container used to transport 11 12 official ballots pursuant to NRS 293.304, 293B.330 and 293B.335 13 **and section 19 of this act.** The record must include the numbers 14 indicated on the container and its seal pursuant to NRS 293.462.

Sec. 55. NRS 293.365 is hereby amended to read as follows:

16 293.365 [Except as otherwise provided in NRS 293.269931, 17 **nol** No counting board in any precinct, district or polling place in 18 which paper ballots are used may commence to count the votes until 19 all ballots used or unused are accounted for.

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Sec. 56. NRS 293.391 is hereby amended to read as follows:

21 293.391 The voted ballots, rejected ballots, spoiled ballots, 1. 22 challenge lists, records printed on paper of voted ballots collected pursuant to NRS 293B.400 [, reports prepared pursuant to NRS 23 24 293.269937] and stubs of the ballots used, enclosed and sealed, must, after canvass of the votes by the board of county 25 26 commissioners, be deposited in the vaults of the county clerk. The 27 records of voted ballots that are maintained in electronic form must, 28 after canvass of the votes by the board of county commissioners, be 29 sealed and deposited in the vaults of the county clerk. The tally lists 30 collected pursuant to this title must, after canvass of the votes by the 31 board of county commissioners, be deposited in the vaults of the 32 county clerk without being sealed. All materials described by this 33 subsection must be preserved for at least 22 months, and all such 34 sealed materials must be destroyed immediately after the 35 preservation period. A notice of the destruction must be published 36 by the clerk in at least one newspaper of general circulation in the 37 county not less than 2 weeks before the destruction.

38 2. Unused ballots, enclosed and sealed, must, after canvass of 39 the votes by the board of county commissioners, be deposited in the 40 vaults of the county clerk and preserved for at least the period during which the election may be contested and adjudicated, after 41 42 which the unused ballots may be destroyed.

43 The rosters containing the signatures of those persons who 3. 44 voted in the election and the tally lists deposited with the board of 45 county commissioners are subject to the inspection of any elector





1 who may wish to examine them at any time after their deposit with 2 the county clerk.

3 A contestant of an election may inspect all of the material 4. 4 regarding that election which is preserved pursuant to subsection 1 5 or 2, except the voted ballots and records printed on paper of voted 6 ballots collected pursuant to NRS 293B.400 which are deposited 7 with the county clerk.

8 5. The voted ballots and records printed on paper of voted 9 ballots collected pursuant to NRS 293B.400 which are deposited with the county clerk are not subject to the inspection of anyone, 10 except in cases of a contested election, and then only by the judge, 11 12 body or board before whom the election is being contested, or by the 13 parties to the contest, jointly, pursuant to an order of such judge, 14 body or board.

Sec. 57. NRS 293.462 is hereby amended to read as follows: 15

16 293.462 1. Each container used to transport official ballots 17 pursuant to NRS 293.304, 293B.330 and 293B.335 and section 19 18 of this act must:

(a) Be constructed of metal or any other rigid material; and

20 (b) Contain a seal which is placed on the container to ensure 21 detection of any opening of the container.

22 2. The container and seal must be separately numbered for identification. 23 24

Sec. 58. NRS 293.464 is hereby amended to read as follows:

25 293.464 1. If a court of competent jurisdiction orders a county to extend the deadline for voting beyond the statutory 26 27 deadline in a particular election, the county clerk shall, as soon as 28 practicable after receiving notice of the court's decision:

29 (a) Cause notice of the extended deadline to be published in a 30 newspaper of general circulation in the county; and

31 (b) Transmit a notice of the extended deadline to each registered 32 voter who *[received a mail] requested an absent* ballot for the 33 election and has not returned the **mail** absent ballot before the date 34 on which the notice will be transmitted.

35 2. The notice required pursuant to paragraph (a) of subsection 1 36 must be published:

37 (a) In a county whose population is 52,000 or more, on at least 3 38 successive days.

39 (b) In a county whose population is less than 52,000, at least 40 twice in successive issues of the newspaper.

Sec. 59. 41 NRS 293.4688 is hereby amended to read as follows: 42

293.4688 1. The Secretary of State shall ensure that:

43 (a) All public information that is included on the Internet 44 website required pursuant to NRS 293.4687 is accessible on a mobile device; and 45



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1 (b) A person may use a mobile device to submit any information 2 or form related to elections that a person may otherwise submit 3 electronically to the Secretary of State, including, without limitation, 4 an application to preregister or register to vote, *a request for an* 5 *absent ballot* and a request for a military-overseas ballot.

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2. As used in this section:

7 (a) "Military-overseas ballot" has the meaning ascribed to it in 8 NRS 293D.050.

9 (b) "Mobile device" includes, without limitation, a smartphone 10 or a tablet computer.

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Sec. 60. NRS 293.469 is hereby amended to read as follows:

293.469 Each county clerk is encouraged to:

13 1. Not later than the earlier date of the notice provided pursuant 14 to NRS 293.203 or the first notice provided pursuant to subsection 3 15 of NRS 293.560, notify the public, through means designed to reach 16 members of the public who are elderly or disabled, of the provisions 17 of NRS [293.269911,] 293.269951, 293.2955 and 293.296 [-] and 18 sections 12, 14 and 15 of this act.

19 Provide in alternative audio and visual formats information 2. 20 concerning elections, information concerning how to preregister or 21 register to vote and information concerning the manner of voting for 22 use by a person who is elderly or disabled, including, without 23 limitation. providing such information through а 24 telecommunications device that is accessible to a person who is 25 deaf.

3. Not later than 5 working days after receiving the request of a
person who is elderly or disabled, provide to the person, in a format
that can be used by the person, any requested material that is:

29 (a) Related to elections; and

30 (b) Made available by the county clerk to the public in printed 31 form.

Sec. 61. NRS 293.5002 is hereby amended to read as follows:

293.5002 1. The Secretary of State shall establish procedures
to allow a person for whom a fictitious address has been issued
pursuant to NRS 217.462 to 217.471, inclusive, to:

36 (a) Preregister or register to vote; and

37 (b) Vote by [mail] *absent* ballot,

 $38 \rightarrow$  without revealing the confidential address of the person.

2. In addition to establishing appropriate procedures or developing forms pursuant to subsection 1, the Secretary of State shall develop a form to allow a person for whom a fictitious address has been issued to preregister or register to vote or to change the address of the person's current preregistration or registration, as applicable. The form must include:





1 (a) A section that contains the confidential address of the 2 person; and

(b) A section that contains the fictitious address of the person.

4 3. Upon receiving a completed form from a person for whom a 5 fictitious address has been issued, the Secretary of State shall:

6 (a) On the portion of the form that contains the fictitious address
7 of the person, indicate the county and precinct in which the person
8 will vote and forward this portion of the form to the appropriate
9 county clerk; and

10 (b) File the portion of the form that contains the confidential 11 address.

4. Notwithstanding any other provision of law, any request
received by the Secretary of State pursuant to subsection 3 shall be
deemed a request for a permanent absent ballot.

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5. Notwithstanding any other provision of law:

(a) The Secretary of State and each county clerk shall keep the
portion of the form developed pursuant to subsection 2 that he or
she retains separate from other applications for preregistration or
registration.

(b) The Secretary of State or a county or city clerk shall not
make the name, confidential address, fictitious address, telephone
number or electronic mail address of the person who has been issued
a fictitious address available for:

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(1) Inspection or copying; or

25 (2) Inclusion in any list that is made available for public 26 inspection,

27 → unless directed to do so by lawful order of a court of competent
28 jurisdiction.

29 Sec. 62. NRS 293.502 is hereby amended to read as follows:

30 293.502 1. An elector:

(a) Who complies with the requirements for registration set forth
in the Uniformed and Overseas Citizens Absentee Voting Act, 52
U.S.C. §§ 20301 et seq.;

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(b) Who, not more than 60 days before an election:

(1) Is discharged from the Armed Forces of the United States
or is the spouse or dependent of an elector who is discharged from
the Armed Forces; or

(2) Is separated from employment outside the territorial
limits of the United States or is the spouse or dependent of an
elector who is separated from employment outside the territorial
limits of the United States;

42 (c) Who presents evidence of the discharge from the Armed
 43 Forces or separation from employment described in paragraph (b) to
 44 the county clerk; and





1 (d) Who is not registered to vote at the close of registration for 2 that election,

 $3 \rightarrow$  must be allowed to register to vote in the election.

4 2. Such an elector must:

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(a) Register in person; and

6 (b) Vote in the office of the county clerk unless the elector is 7 otherwise entitled to vote [a mail] an absent ballot pursuant to 8 federal law.

9 3. The Secretary of State shall adopt regulations to carry out a 10 program of registration for such electors.

Sec. 63. NRS 293.505 is hereby amended to read as follows:

12 293.505 1. All justices of the peace, except those located in 13 county seats, are ex officio field registrars to carry out the 14 provisions of this chapter.

15 2. The county clerk shall appoint at least one registered voter to 16 serve as a field registrar of voters who, except as otherwise provided 17 in NRS 293.5055, shall preregister and register voters within the county for which the field registrar is appointed. Except as 18 19 otherwise provided in subsection 1, a candidate for any office may 20 not be appointed or serve as a field registrar. A field registrar serves 21 at the pleasure of the county clerk and shall perform such duties as 22 the county clerk may direct. The county clerk shall not knowingly 23 appoint any person as a field registrar who has been convicted of a 24 felony involving theft or fraud. The Secretary of State may bring an 25 action against a county clerk to collect a civil penalty of not more 26 than \$5,000 for each person who is appointed as a field registrar in 27 violation of this subsection. Any civil penalty collected pursuant to 28 this subsection must be deposited with the State Treasurer for credit 29 to the State General Fund.

30 3. A field registrar shall demand of any person who applies for 31 preregistration or registration all information required by the 32 application to preregister or register to vote, as applicable, and shall 33 administer all oaths required by this chapter.

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

5. Each field registrar shall forward to the county clerk all completed applications in his or her possession immediately after the last day to register to vote by mail pursuant to NRS 293.560 or 293C.527, as applicable. Within 5 days after the last day to register to vote by mail pursuant to NRS 293.560 or 293C.527, as applicable, a field registrar shall return all unused applications in his or her possession to the county clerk. If all of the unused





1 applications are not returned to the county clerk, the field registrar 2 shall account for the unreturned applications.

3 Each field registrar shall submit to the county clerk a list of 6. the serial numbers of the completed applications to preregister or 4 register to vote and the names of the electors on those applications. 5 6 The serial numbers must be listed in numerical order.

7 Each field registrar shall post notices sent to him or her by 7. 8 the county clerk for posting in accordance with the election laws of 9 this State.

A field registrar, employee of a voter registration agency or 10 8. person assisting a voter pursuant to NRS 293.5235 shall not: 11

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

13 (b) Refuse to preregister or register a person on account of that 14 person's political party affiliation.

A person shall not hold himself or herself out to be or 15 9. 16 attempt to exercise the duties of a field registrar unless the person 17 has been so appointed.

18 10. A county clerk, field registrar, employee of a voter 19 registration agency or person assisting another person pursuant to 20 NRS 293.5235 shall not:

21 (a) Solicit a vote for or against a particular question or 22 candidate:

23 (b) Speak to a person on the subject of marking his or her ballot 24 for or against a particular question or candidate; or

(c) Distribute any petition or other material concerning a 25 26 candidate or question which will be on the ballot for the ensuing 27 election.

28 → while preregistering or registering the person.

When the county clerk receives applications to preregister 29 11. 30 or register to vote from a field registrar, the county clerk shall issue 31 a receipt to the field registrar. The receipt must include:

32 (a) The number of persons preregistered or registered; and 33

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(b) The political party of the persons preregistered or registered.

12. A county clerk, field registrar, employee of a voter 34 35 registration agency or person assisting another person pursuant to 36 NRS 293.5235 shall not:

37 (a) Knowingly:

38 (1) Register a person who is not a qualified elector or a 39 person who has filed a false or misleading application to register to 40 vote; or

41 (2) Preregister a person who does not meet the qualifications 42 set forth in NRS 293.4855; or

43 (b) Preregister or register a person who fails to provide 44 satisfactory [proof] evidence of [identification] his or her identity 45 and the address at which the person actually resides.





1 13. A county clerk, field registrar, employee of a voter 2 registration agency, person assisting another person pursuant to NRS 293.5235 or any other person providing a form for the 3 4 application to preregister or register to vote to an elector for the 5 purpose of preregistering or registering to vote:

6 (a) If the person who assists another person with completing the 7 form for the application to preregister or register to vote retains the 8 form, shall enter his or her name on the duplicate copy or receipt 9 retained by the person upon completion of the form; and

(b) Shall not alter, deface or destroy an application to preregister 10 or register to vote that has been signed by a person except to correct 11 12 information contained in the application after receiving notice from 13 the person that a change in or addition to the information is required.

14 14. If a field registrar violates any of the provisions of this 15 section, the county clerk shall immediately suspend the field 16 registrar and notify the district attorney of the county in which the 17 violation occurred.

18 15. A person who violates any of the provisions of subsection 19 8, 9, 10, 12 or 13 is guilty of a category E felony and shall be 20 punished as provided in NRS 193.130. 21

Sec. 64. NRS 293.517 is hereby amended to read as follows:

22 293.517 Any person who meets the qualifications set forth 1. in NRS 293.4855 residing within the county may preregister to vote 23 24 and any elector residing within the county may register to vote:

25 (a) Except as otherwise provided in NRS 293.560 and 26 293C.527, by appearing before the county clerk, a field registrar or a 27 voter registration agency, completing the application to preregister 28 or register to vote, giving true and satisfactory answers to all 29 questions relevant to his or her identity and right to preregister or 30 register to vote, and providing **[proof]** evidence of residence and 31 identity [;] in accordance with this subsection;

32 (b) By completing and mailing or personally delivering to the 33 county clerk an application to preregister or register to vote pursuant to the provisions of NRS 293.5235; 34

35 (c) Pursuant to the provisions of NRS 293.5727 or chapter 293D 36 of NRS:

37 (d) At his or her residence with the assistance of a field registrar 38 pursuant to NRS 293.5237;

39 (e) By submitting an application to preregister or register to vote by computer using the system established by the Secretary of State 40 41 pursuant to NRS 293.671; or

42 (f) By any other method authorized by the provisions of this 43 title.

44 → The county clerk shall require a person to submit official identification as [proof] evidence of residence and identity [,] in 45





1 *accordance with this subsection*, such as a driver's license or other 2 official document, before preregistering or registering the person. If

3 the applicant preregisters or registers to vote pursuant to this subsection and fails to provide [proof] evidence of residence and 4 5 identity, the applicant must provide **[proof]** evidence of residence 6 and identity before casting a ballot in person or by mail or after casting a provisional ballot pursuant to NRS 293.3078 to 293.3086. 7 inclusive. For the purposes of this subsection, a voter registration 8 9 card does not provide [proof] evidence of the residence or identity 10 of a person.

11 2. In addition to the methods for registering to vote described 12 in subsection 1, an elector may register to vote pursuant to:

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(b) NRS 293.5768 to 293.57699, inclusive; or

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(c) NRS 293.5772 to 293.5887, inclusive.

(a) NRS 293.269951, if applicable;

16 3. Except as otherwise provided in NRS 293.5768 to 17 293.57699, inclusive, the application to preregister or register to 18 vote must be signed and verified under penalty of perjury by the 19 person preregistering or the elector registering.

4. Each person or elector who is or has been married must be
preregistered or registered under his or her own given or first name,
and not under the given or first name or initials of his or her spouse.

5. A person or an elector who is preregistered or registered and changes his or her name must complete a new application to preregister or register to vote, as applicable. The person or elector may obtain a new application:

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

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

30 (c) By submitting a written statement to the county clerk 31 requesting the county clerk to mail an application to preregister or 32 register to vote;

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(d) At any voter registration agency; or

(e) By submitting an application to preregister or register to vote
by computer using the system established by the Secretary of State
pursuant to NRS 293.671.

37  $\rightarrow$  If the elector fails to register under his or her new name, the 38 elector may be challenged pursuant to the provisions of NRS 39 293.303 or 293C.292 and may be required to furnish [proof] 40 evidence of his or her identity and subsequent change of name.

6. Except as otherwise provided in subsection 8 and NRS
293.5768 to 293.57699, inclusive, and 293.5772 to 293.5887,
inclusive, an elector who registers to vote pursuant to paragraph (a)
of subsection 1 shall be deemed to be registered upon the
completion of an application to register to vote.





1 7. After the county clerk determines that the application to 2 register to vote of a person is complete and that, except as otherwise 3 provided in NRS 293D.210, the person is eligible to vote pursuant 4 to NRS 293.485, the county clerk shall issue a voter registration 5 card to the voter.

6 If a person or an elector submits an application to preregister 8. 7 or register to vote or an affidavit described in paragraph (c) of subsection 1 of NRS 293.507 that contains any handwritten 8 9 additions, erasures or interlineations, the county clerk may object to the application if the county clerk believes that because of such 10 handwritten additions, erasures or interlineations, the application is 11 12 incomplete or that, except as otherwise provided in NRS 293D.210, 13 the person is not eligible to preregister pursuant to NRS 293.4855 or 14 the elector is not eligible to vote pursuant to NRS 293.485, as 15 applicable. If the county clerk objects pursuant to this subsection, he 16 or she shall immediately notify the person or elector, as applicable, 17 and the district attorney of the county. Not later than 5 business days 18 after the district attorney receives such notification, the district 19 attorney shall advise the county clerk as to whether:

20 (a) The application is complete and, except as otherwise 21 provided in NRS 293D.210, the person is eligible to preregister 22 pursuant to NRS 293.4855 or the elector is eligible to vote pursuant 23 to NRS 293.485; and 24

(b) The county clerk should proceed to process the application.

25 9. If the district attorney advises the county clerk to process the 26 application pursuant to subsection 8, the county clerk shall 27 immediately issue a voter registration card to the applicant, unless 28 the applicant is preregistered to vote and does not currently meet the 29 requirements to be issued a voter registration card pursuant to 30 NRS 293.4855.

**Sec. 65.** NRS 293.541 is hereby amended to read as follows:

32 293.541 The county clerk shall cancel the preregistration 1. 33 of a person or the registration of a voter if:

34 (a) After consultation with the district attorney, the district 35 attorney determines that there is probable cause to believe that 36 information in the application to preregister or register to vote 37 concerning the identity or residence of the person or voter is 38 fraudulent;

39 (b) The county clerk provides a notice as required pursuant to subsection 2 or executes an affidavit of cancellation pursuant to 40 41 subsection 3; and

42 (c) The person or voter fails to present satisfactory [proof] 43 *evidence* of identity and residence pursuant to subsection 2, 4 or 5.

44 2. Except as otherwise provided in subsection 3, the county 45 clerk shall notify the person or voter by registered or certified mail,



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return receipt requested, of a determination made pursuant to
 subsection 1. The notice must set forth the grounds for cancellation.
 Unless the person or voter, within 15 days after the return receipt
 has been filed in the office of the county clerk, presents satisfactory
 [proof] evidence of identity and residence to the county clerk, the
 county clerk shall cancel the person's preregistration or the voter's
 registration, as applicable.

8 3. If insufficient time exists before a pending election to 9 provide the notice required by subsection 2 to a registered voter, the 10 county clerk shall execute an affidavit of cancellation and attach a 11 copy of the affidavit of cancellation in the roster.

12 4. If a voter appears to vote at the election next following the 13 date that an affidavit of cancellation was executed for the voter 14 pursuant to this section, the voter must be allowed to vote only if the 15 voter furnishes:

(a) [Official identification which contains a photograph] *Proof*of [the voter, including, without limitation, a driver's license or
other official document;] *identity;* and

19 (b) Satisfactory [identification that contains proof] evidence of 20 the address at which the voter actually resides and that address is 21 consistent with the address listed on the roster.

5. If a determination is made pursuant to subsection 1 concerning information in the registration to vote of a voter and [a mail] an absent ballot is received from the voter, the [mail] absent ballot must be kept separate from other ballots and must not be counted unless the voter presents satisfactory proof of identity to the county clerk [of identity] and satisfactory proof of residence before such ballots are counted on election day.

6. For the purposes of this section, a voter registration card
does not provide [proof] evidence of the:

- 31 (a) Address at which a person actually resides; or
- 32 (b) Residence [or identity] of a person.

33 Sec. 66. NRS 293.5768 is hereby amended to read as follows:

34 293.5768 1. The following agencies are automatic voter 35 registration agencies:

- 36 (a) The Department of Motor Vehicles;
- 37 (b) The Department of Health and Human Services;
- (c) Any agency designated by the Director of the Department ofHealth and Human Services to receive applications for Medicaid;

40 (d) The Silver State Health Insurance Exchange created by 41 NRS 695I.200;

42 (e) Any agency that has been designated by the Governor as an 43 automatic voter registration agency pursuant to NRS 293.57682; and





1 (f) Any agency of an Indian tribe that has been designated by the 2 Governor to be an automatic voter registration agency pursuant to 3 NRS 293.57684.

4 2. If, in the normal course of business, an automatic voter 5 registration agency collects sufficient information that demonstrates 6 a person is qualified to vote pursuant to NRS 293.485, including, 7 without limitation, [proof] evidence of identity, citizenship, 8 residence and date of birth, the provisions of NRS 293.5768 to 9 293.57699, inclusive, apply to the automatic voter registration 10 agency when a person submits any of the following:

(a) An application for the issuance or renewal of or change of
address for any type of driver's license or identification card issued
by the Department of Motor Vehicles;

(b) An application for Medicaid through the system established
by the Department of Health and Human Services pursuant to
NRS 422.2703;

(c) An application for health insurance through the Silver StateHealth Insurance Exchange; and

(d) An application for any service or assistance from an
automatic voter registration agency described in paragraph (e) or (f)
of subsection 1.

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3. An automatic voter registration agency shall not:

(a) Request any additional information for purposes of voterregistration that is not required in the normal course of business; and

(b) Transmit any information about a person using the system established pursuant to NRS 293.57686 if the person did not provide the agency in the normal course of business sufficient information that demonstrates the person is qualified to vote pursuant to NRS 293.485, including, without limitation, [proof] evidence of identity, citizenship, residence and date of birth.

31 Sec. 67. NRS 293.57682 is hereby amended to read as 32 follows:

33 293.57682 1. The Governor may designate any agency in the 34 Executive Department of the State Government not described in 35 paragraphs (a) to (d), inclusive, of subsection 1 of NRS 293.5768 as 36 an automatic voter registration agency if the agency collects in the 37 regular course of business from a person applying to the agency to 38 receive any service or assistance sufficient information that 39 demonstrates a person is qualified to vote pursuant to NRS 293.485, 40 including, without limitation, **[proof]** evidence of identity, citizenship, residence and date of birth. 41

42 2. Upon the designation of an agency as an automatic voter 43 registration agency pursuant to subsection 1:

44 (a) The Governor shall notify the Secretary of State; and





1 (b) The Secretary of State and the automatic voter registration 2 agency shall comply with the provisions of NRS 293.57686.

3 Sec. 68. NRS 293.57684 is hereby amended to read as 4 follows:

5 293.57684 1. If an Indian reservation or Indian colony is 6 located in whole or in part within a county, the Indian tribe may submit a request to the Governor for approval to allow an agency of 7 8 the tribe to become an automatic voter registration agency in order 9 to submit voter registration information of tribal members to the Secretary of State and the database created by the Secretary of State 10 pursuant to NRS 293.675 for the purpose of registering tribal 11 12 members to vote or updating the voter registration information of 13 tribal members for the purpose of correcting the statewide voter 14 registration list pursuant to NRS 293.530.

15 2. If the Governor finds that the tribal agency collects in the 16 regular course of business from a person applying to the agency to 17 receive any service or assistance sufficient information that 18 demonstrates the person is qualified to vote pursuant to NRS 19 293.485, including, without limitation, [proof] evidence of identity, 20 citizenship, residence and date of birth:

(a) The Governor shall designate the tribal agency as an
 automatic voter registration agency; and

(b) The Secretary of State and the Indian tribe shall comply withthe provisions of NRS 293.57686.

25 **Sec. 69.** NRS 293.57691 is hereby amended to read as 26 follows:

27 293.57691 1. A county clerk shall not reject as an application 28 to register to vote the information received from an automatic voter 29 registration agency solely on the basis that the information does not 30 contain an electronic facsimile of the signature of the person who is 31 applying to vote or update his or her voter registration information 32 on the statewide voter registration list.

2. If the county clerk does not receive an electronic facsimile
of the signature of the person from the automatic voter registration
agency, the county clerk must obtain the person's signature or an
electronic facsimile of the person's signature through one of the
following methods:

(a) Through the notice provided by the county clerk to the
person pursuant to NRS 293.57693, if the notice is returned to
the county clerk by the person and the returned notice includes the
person's signature;

42 (b) Requesting an electronic facsimile of the person's signature 43 from the Department of Motor Vehicles or another state agency;





(c) Requesting the person to submit an electronic facsimile of 1 2 the person's signature through a method approved by the Secretary 3 of State: or

4 (d) Requesting the person to sign a paper or electronic form the 5 first time the person applies to vote in person at a polling place, 6 including, without limitation, a polling place for early voting by 7 personal appearance. A signature provided by a person pursuant to this paragraph must be compared to one of the forms of 8 9 [identification] the person's proof of identity which [may be used individually to identify a voter at the polling place set forth in NRS 10 **293.277** *includes his or her signature* before the person is allowed 11 12 to vote in person.

13 3. In addition to the requirements of this section and NRS 14 293.2725, a person who is registered to vote pursuant to NRS 15 293.5768 to 293.57699, inclusive, must provide an affirmation 16 signed under penalty of perjury that the person is eligible to vote the 17 first time a person votes in person or by **mail** absent ballot if the 18 person has not already provided such an affirmation to the county 19 clerk.

Sec. 70. NRS 293.5837 is hereby amended to read as follows:

21 293,5837 1. An elector may register to vote in the county or 22 city, as applicable, in which the elector is eligible to vote by 23 submitting an application to register to vote by computer using the 24 system established by the Secretary of State pursuant to NRS 25 293.671 before the elector appears at a polling place described in 26 subsection 2 to vote in person.

27 If an elector submits an application to register to vote 2. 28 pursuant to this section less than 14 days before the election, the 29 elector may vote only in person:

30 (a) During the period for early voting, at any polling place for 31 early voting by personal appearance in the county or city, as 32 applicable, in which the elector is eligible to vote; or (b) On the day of the election, at:

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(1) A polling place established pursuant to NRS 293.3072 or 34 35 293C.3032 in the county or city, as applicable, in which the elector 36 is eligible to vote; or

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(2) The polling place for his or her election precinct.

38 3. To vote in person, an elector who submits an application to 39 register to vote pursuant to this section must:

40 (a) Appear before the close of polls at a polling place described 41 in subsection 2;

42 (b) Inform an election board officer that, before appearing at the 43 polling place, the elector submitted an application to register to vote 44 by computer using the system established by the Secretary of State 45 pursuant to NRS 293.671; and





(c) Except as otherwise provided in subsection 4, provide his or
 her current and valid driver's license or identification card issued by
 the Department of Motor Vehicles which shows his or her physical
 address as [proof] evidence of the elector's identity and residency.

5 4. If the driver's license or identification card issued by the 6 Department of Motor Vehicles to the elector does not have the 7 elector's current residential address, the following documents may 8 be used to establish the residency of the elector if the current 9 residential address of the elector, as indicated on his or her 10 application to register to vote, is displayed on the document:

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(a) A military identification card;

(b) A utility bill, including, without limitation, a bill for electric,
 gas, oil, water, sewer, septic, telephone, cellular telephone or cable
 television service;

- 15 (c) A bank or credit union statement;
- 16 (d) A paycheck;
- 17 (e) An income tax return;

18 (f) A statement concerning the mortgage, rental or lease of a 19 residence;

20 (g) A motor vehicle registration;

21 (h) A property tax statement; or

22 (i) Any other document issued by a governmental agency.

5. Subject to final verification, if an elector submits an application to register to vote and appears at a polling place to vote in person pursuant to this section:

(a) The elector shall be deemed to be conditionally registered tovote at the polling place upon:

(1) The determination that the elector submitted the
application to register to vote by computer using the system
established by the Secretary of State pursuant to NRS 293.671 and
that the application to register to vote is complete; and

32 (2) The verification of the elector's identity and residency 33 pursuant to this section.

34 (b) After the elector is deemed to be conditionally registered to 35 vote at the polling place pursuant to paragraph (a), the elector:

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(1) May vote in the election only at that polling place;

37 (2) Must vote as soon as practicable and before leaving that 38 polling place; and

39 (3) Must vote by casting a provisional ballot, unless it is 40 verified, at that time, that the elector is qualified to register to vote 41 and to cast a regular ballot in the election at that polling place.

42 Sec. 71. NRS 293.5842 is hereby amended to read as follows:

293.5842 1. Notwithstanding the close of any method of
registration for an election pursuant to NRS 293.560 or 293C.527,
an elector may register to vote in person at any polling place for





1 early voting by personal appearance in the county or city, as 2 applicable, in which the elector is eligible to vote.

To register to vote in person during the period for early 3 2. 4 voting, an elector must:

(a) Appear before the close of polls at a polling place for early 5 6 voting by personal appearance in the county or city, as applicable, in 7 which the elector is eligible to vote.

8 (b) Complete the application to register to vote by a method 9 authorized by the county or city clerk pursuant to this paragraph. The county or city clerk shall authorize at least one of the following 10 methods for a person to register to vote pursuant to this paragraph: 11

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(1) A paper application; or

13 (2) The system established by the Secretary of State pursuant 14 to NRS 293.671.

15  $\rightarrow$  If the county or city clerk authorizes the use of both methods, the 16 county or city clerk may limit the use of one method to 17 circumstances when the other method is not reasonably available.

18 (c) Except as otherwise provided in subsection 3, provide his or her current and valid driver's license or identification card issued by 19 20 the Department of Motor Vehicles which shows his or her physical 21 address as **proof** evidence of the elector's identity and residency.

22 If the driver's license or identification card issued by the 3. 23 Department of Motor Vehicles to the elector does not have the 24 elector's current residential address, the following documents may 25 be used to establish the residency of the elector if the current 26 residential address of the elector, as indicated on his or her 27 application to register to vote, is displayed on the document: 28

(a) A military identification card;

29 (b) A utility bill, including, without limitation, a bill for electric, gas, oil, water, sewer, septic, telephone, cellular telephone or cable 30 31 television service;

32 (c) A bank or credit union statement;

33 (d) A paycheck;

34 (e) An income tax return;

35 (f) A statement concerning the mortgage, rental or lease of a 36 residence:

- 37 (g) A motor vehicle registration;
- 38 (h) A property tax statement; or

39 (i) Any other document issued by a governmental agency.

40 4. Subject to final verification, if an elector registers to vote in 41 person at a polling place pursuant to this section:

42 (a) The elector shall be deemed to be conditionally registered to 43 vote at the polling place upon:

44 (1) The determination that the application to register to vote 45 is complete; and





1 (2) The verification of the elector's identity and residency 2 pursuant to this section.

3 (b) After the elector is deemed to be conditionally registered to 4 vote at the polling place pursuant to paragraph (a), the elector:

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(1) May vote in the election only at that polling place;

6 (2) Must vote as soon as practicable and before leaving that 7 polling place; and

8 (3) Must vote by casting a provisional ballot, unless it is 9 verified, at that time, that the elector is qualified to register to vote 10 and to cast a regular ballot in the election at that polling place.

Sec. 72. NRS 293.5847 is hereby amended to read as follows:

12 293.5847 1. Notwithstanding the close of any method of 13 registration for an election pursuant to NRS 293.560 or 293C.527, 14 an elector may register to vote in person on the day of the election at 15 any polling place in the county or city, as applicable, in which the 16 elector is eligible to vote.

17 2. To register to vote on the day of the election, an elector 18 must:

19 (a) Appear before the close of polls at a polling place in the 20 county or city, as applicable, in which the elector is eligible to vote.

(b) Complete the application to register to vote by a method
authorized by the county or city clerk pursuant to this paragraph.
The county or city clerk shall authorize at least one of the following
methods for a person to register to vote pursuant to this paragraph:

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(1) A paper application; or

(2) The system established by the Secretary of State pursuant
to NRS 293.671.

28  $\rightarrow$  If the county or city clerk authorizes the use of both methods, the 29 county or city clerk may limit the use of one method to 30 circumstances when the other method is not reasonably available.

(c) Except as otherwise provided in subsection 3, provide his or
her current and valid driver's license or identification card issued by
the Department of Motor Vehicles which shows his or her physical
address as [proof] evidence of the elector's identity and residency.

35 3. If the driver's license or identification card issued by the 36 Department of Motor Vehicles to the elector does not have the 37 elector's current residential address, the following documents may 38 be used to establish the residency of the elector if the current 39 residential address of the elector, as indicated on his or her 40 application to register to vote, is displayed on the document:

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(a) A military identification card;

42 (b) A utility bill, including, without limitation, a bill for electric,
43 gas, oil, water, sewer, septic, telephone, cellular telephone or cable
44 television service;

45 (c) A bank or credit union statement;





1 (d) A paycheck; 2 (e) An income tax return: 3 (f) A statement concerning the mortgage, rental or lease of a 4 residence; 5 (g) A motor vehicle registration; 6 (h) A property tax statement; or 7 (i) Any other document issued by a governmental agency. 8 4. Subject to final verification, if an elector registers to vote in 9 person at a polling place pursuant to this section: (a) The elector shall be deemed to be conditionally registered to 10 11 vote at the polling place upon: 12 (1) The determination that the application to register to vote 13 is complete; and (2) The verification of the elector's identity and residency 14 15 pursuant to this section. 16 (b) After the elector is deemed to be conditionally registered to 17 vote at the polling place pursuant to paragraph (a), the elector: 18 (1) May vote in the election only at that polling place; 19 (2) Must vote as soon as practicable and before leaving that 20 polling place; and 21 (3) Must vote by casting a provisional ballot. 22 NRS 293.730 is hereby amended to read as follows: Sec. 73. 23 1. Except for an election board officer in the course 293.730 24 of the election board officer's official duties, a person shall not: 25 (a) Remain in or outside of any polling place so as to interfere 26 with the conduct of the election. 27 (b) Accept from any voter a ballot prepared by or on behalf of 28 the voter, other than **[a mail]** an absent ballot or military-overseas 29 ballot prepared by or on behalf of the voter with his or her 30 authorization pursuant to this title. 31 (c) Remove a ballot from any polling place before the closing of 32 the polls. 33 (d) Apply for or receive a ballot at any election precinct or district other than one at which the person is entitled to vote. 34 35 (e) Show his or her ballot to another person, after voting, so as 36 to reveal any of his or her votes on the ballot, other than on his or 37 her **mail** absent ballot or military-overseas ballot prepared by or 38 on behalf of the voter with his or her authorization pursuant to this 39 title. 40 (f) Inside a polling place, ask another person for his or her name, address or political affiliation or for whom he or she intends to vote. 41 42 (g) Send, transmit, distribute or deliver a ballot to a voter, other 43 than **[a mail]** an absent ballot or military-overseas ballot when 44 permitted pursuant to this title.





(h) Except when permitted by the voter, alter, change, deface,
damage or destroy [a mail] an absent ballot or military-overseas
ballot prepared by or on behalf of the voter with his or her
authorization pursuant to this title.

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2. A voter shall not:

6 (a) Accept a ballot from another person, other than an election
7 board officer in the course of the election board officer's official
8 duties or a person who sends, transmits, distributes or delivers [a
9 mail] an absent ballot or military-overseas ballot to the voter when
10 permitted pursuant to this title.

11 (b) Deliver to an election board officer in the course of the 12 election board officer's official duties any ballot other than the one 13 received.

14 (c) Place any mark upon his or her ballot by which it may 15 afterward be identified as the one that he or she voted, other than 16 any such mark that is permitted to be placed on [a mail] an absent 17 ballot or military-overseas ballot prepared by or on behalf of the 18 voter with his or her authorization pursuant to this title.

19 3. [A person other than a county or city clerk shall not set up a
20 ballot drop box that purports to be an official ballot drop box for
21 mail ballots.

Any person who violates any provision of this section is guilty of a category E felony and shall be punished as provided in NRS 193.130.

**Sec. 74.** NRS 293.775 is hereby amended to read as follows:

26 293.775 1. A person who is not a qualified elector and who 27 votes or attempts to vote knowing that he or she is not a qualified 28 elector is guilty of a category D felony and shall be punished as 29 provided in NRS 193.130.

2. A person who votes or attempts to vote using the name of
another person, *including, without limitation, voting the absent ballot of another person,* is guilty of a category D felony and shall
be punished as provided in NRS 193.130.

34 **Sec. 75.** Chapter 293B of NRS is hereby amended by adding 35 thereto a new section to read as follows:

36 The absent ballot central counting board shall:

*1. Perform functions similar to those of the central ballot inspection board and the ballot duplicating board as those functions are applicable to absent ballots.*

40 2. Bundle the empty absent ballot return envelopes according 41 to ballot type or precinct and deliver the bundles to the county 42 clerk.

43 3. Treat any absent ballot return envelope found not to 44 contain a ballot as a rejected ballot and place each such envelope





*in a separate larger envelope on which must be written the ballot code or precinct and the reason for the rejection.*

3 Sec. 76. NRS 293B.130 is hereby amended to read as follows:

4 293B.130 1. Before any election where a mechanical voting 5 system is to be used, the county clerk shall prepare or cause to be 6 prepared a computer program on cards, tape or other material 7 suitable for use with the computer or counting device to be 8 employed for counting the votes cast. The program must cause the 9 computer or counting device to operate in the following manner:

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(a) All lawful votes cast by each voter must be counted.

(b) All unlawful votes, including, without limitation, overvotes
or, in a primary election or presidential preference primary election,
votes cast for a candidate of a major political party other than the
party, if any, of the registration of the voter must not be counted.

- 15 (c) If the election is:
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(1) A primary election held in an even-numbered year;

(2) A presidential preference primary election; or

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(3) A general election,

19  $\rightarrow$  the total votes, other than [mail] *absent* ballots, must be accumulated by precinct.

(d) The computer or counting device must halt or indicate by
appropriate signal if a ballot is encountered which lacks a code
identifying the precinct in which it was voted and, in a primary
election or presidential preference primary election, identifying the
major political party of the voter.

26 2. The program must be prepared under the supervision of the 27 accuracy certification board appointed pursuant to the provisions of 28 NRS 293B.140.

3. The county clerk shall take such measures as he or shedeems necessary to protect the program from being altered ordamaged.

Sec. 77. NRS 293B.360 is hereby amended to read as follows:

293B.360 1. To facilitate the processing and computation of
votes cast at any election conducted under a mechanical voting
system, the county clerk shall create a computer program and
processing accuracy board, and may create:

37 (a) A central ballot inspection board;

38 (b) [A mail] An absent ballot [inspection] central counting
39 board;

40 (c) A ballot duplicating board;

41 (d) A ballot processing and packaging board; and

42 (e) Such additional boards or appoint such officers as the county
 43 clerk deems necessary for the expeditious processing of ballots.

44 2. Except as otherwise provided in subsection 3, the county 45 clerk may determine the number of members to constitute any





board. The county clerk shall make any appointments from among
competent persons who are registered voters in this State. The
members of each board must represent all political parties as equally
as possible. The same person may be appointed to more than one
board but must meet the particular qualifications for each board to
which he or she is appointed.

7 3. If the county clerk creates a ballot duplicating board, the 8 county clerk shall appoint to the board at least two members. The 9 members of the ballot duplicating board must not all be of the same 10 political party.

11 4. All persons appointed pursuant to this section serve at the 12 pleasure of the county clerk.

Sec. 78. NRS 293B.380 is hereby amended to read as follows:
 293B.380 1. The ballot processing and packaging board must
 be composed of persons who are qualified in the use of the data

16 processing equipment to be operated for the voting count.

17 2. The board shall:

(a) Allow members of the general public to observe the counting
area where the computers are located during the period when ballots
are being processed if those members do not interfere with the
processing of the ballots.

22 (b) Receive ballots and maintain groupings of them by precinct.

(c) Before each counting of the ballots or computer run begins,
validate the testing material with the counting program.

(d) Maintain a log showing the sequence in which the ballots of
each precinct are processed, as a measure to ensure that the ballots
of all precincts are processed.

(e) After each counting of the ballots, again verify the testing
material with the counting program to substantiate that there has
been no substitution or irregularity.

31 (f) Record an explanation of any irregularity that occurs in the 32 processing.

(g) If the election is:

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- (1) A primary election held in an even-numbered year; or
- (2) A general election,

36  $\rightarrow$  ensure that a list is compiled indicating the total votes, other than 37 [mail] *absent* ballots, which each candidate accumulated in each 38 precinct.

(h) Collect all returns, programs, testing materials, ballots and
other items used in the election at the computer center and package
and deliver the items to the county clerk for sealing and storage.





**Sec. 79.** Chapter 293C of NRS is hereby amended by adding 1 2 thereto the provisions set forth as sections 80 to 104, inclusive, of 3 this act.

When it appears to the satisfaction of the city 4 Sec. 80. 1. 5 clerk that an absent ballot central counting board will expedite the work of tallying the absent ballot vote of the city, the city clerk may 6 7 appoint such a board.

8 2. In a city where an absent ballot central counting board has been appointed, no central election board may be appointed. The 9 absent ballot central counting board shall perform the duties of 10 11 the central election board.

12 Sec. 81. 1. An absent ballot central counting board consists 13 of election board officers appointed in such numbers as the city clerk determines to be required by the volume of absent ballots 14 15 requested.

The city clerk's deputies who perform duties in connection 16 2. 17 with elections shall be deemed officers of the absent ballot central 18 counting board.

When requested by the city clerk, the chief law 19 3. enforcement officer of the city shall appoint an officer to keep 20 21 order during the counting of the absent ballot votes by the absent 22 ballot central counting board.

The absent ballot central counting board is under the 23 4. 24 direction of the city clerk.

25 **Sec. 82.** An absent ballot for a city election must be voted:

26 On a paper ballot: or 1. 27

2. By any other system authorized by state or federal law.

28 Sec. 83. As used in sections 83 to 90, inclusive, of this act, 29 "sufficient written notice" means a:

30 1. Written request for an absent ballot that is signed by the registered voter and returned to the city clerk in person or by mail 31 32 or approved electronic transmission;

33 Form prescribed by the Secretary of State that is completed 2. and signed by the registered voter and returned to the city clerk in 34 35 person or by mail or approved electronic transmission; or 36

Form provided by the Federal Government. 3.

37 **Sec. 84.** 1. The city clerk shall prepare an absent ballot for the use of registered voters who have requested absent ballots. The 38 city clerk shall make reasonable accommodations for the use of 39 the absent ballot by a person who is elderly or disabled, including, 40 without limitation, by providing, upon request, the absent ballot in 41 42 12-point type to a person who is elderly or disabled.

43 2. The ballot must be prepared and ready for distribution to a 44 registered voter who:





(a) Except as otherwise provided in paragraph (b), resides 1 2 within or outside this State, not later than 20 days before the city 3 election in which it will be used. (b) Requested an absent ballot pursuant to the provisions of 4 5 the Uniformed and Overseas Citizens Absentee Voting Act, 52 U.S.C. §§ 20301 et seq., not later than 45 days before the election. 6 7 3. Any untimely legal action which would prevent the ballot 8 from being distributed to any voter pursuant to subsection 2 is moot and of no effect. 9 10 **Sec. 85.** 1. A person who, during the 6 months immediately preceding an election, distributes to more than a total of 500 11 12 registered voters a form to request an absent ballot for the election 13 shall: (a) Distribute the form prescribed by the Secretary of State, 14 15 which must, in 14-point type or larger at the top of the first page of 16 the form: (1) Identify the person who is distributing the form: and 17 (2) Include the following notice stating, with the first 18 sentence of the notice in bold type: 19 20 21 This is not an official elections notice from the Secretary 22 of State or your county or city clerk. This is a form to request an absent ballot that you may submit to your county 23 24 or city clerk if you want to vote by absent ballot. However, even if you want to vote by absent ballot, you do not need to 25 26 submit this form if you have already requested an absent 27 ballot for this election year or are already entitled to receive 28 an absent ballot for all elections. 29 30 (b) Not later than 28 days before distributing such a form, provide to the city clerk of each city to which a form will be 31 distributed written notification of the approximate number of 32 forms to be distributed to voters in the city and of the first date on 33 34 which the forms will be distributed. 35 (c) Not return or offer to return to a city clerk a form that was mailed to a registered voter pursuant to this subsection. 36 37 (d) Not mail such a form later than 35 days before the election. The provisions of this section do not authorize a person to 38 2. vote by absent ballot if the person is not otherwise eligible to vote 39 by absent ballot. 40 Sec. 86. 1. Except as otherwise provided in chapter 293D of 41 42 NRS and section 97 of this act, a registered voter who requests and 43 receives an absent ballot may vote only by absent ballot at the 44 election for which the absent ballot was issued.





1 2. If a registered voter has requested an absent ballot and the 2 absent ballot has been mailed or issued, the city clerk shall notify 3 the appropriate election board that the registered voter has 4 requested an absent ballot.

5 Sec. 87. 1. Except as otherwise provided in NRS 293.502 6 and 293C.265 and sections 89 and 90 of this act, a registered voter 7 may request an absent ballot if, before 5 p.m. on the 14th calendar 8 day preceding the election, the registered voter:

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(a) Provides sufficient written notice to the city clerk; and

10 (b) Has identified himself or herself to the satisfaction of the 11 city clerk.

12 2. A city clerk shall consider a request from a registered voter 13 who has given sufficient written notice on a form provided by 14 the Federal Government as a request for an absent ballot for the 15 primary city and general city elections immediately following the 16 date on which the city clerk received the request.

17 3. It is unlawful for a person fraudulently to request an absent ballot in the name of another person or to induce or coerce 19 another person fraudulently to request an absent ballot in the 20 name of another person. A person who violates any provision of 21 this subsection is guilty of a category E felony and shall be 22 punished as provided in NRS 193.130.

23 Sec. 88. 1. Every request for an absent ballot must be made 24 available for public inspection.

25 2. A city clerk who allows a person to copy information from 26 an application for an absent ballot is immune from any civil or 27 criminal liability for any damage caused by the distribution of that 28 information, unless the city clerk knowingly and willingly allows a 29 person who intends to use the information to further an unlawful 30 act to copy such information.

31 Sec. 89. 1. Any registered voter who is unable to go to the 32 polls:

(a) Because of an illness or disability resulting in confinement
 in a hospital, sanatorium, dwelling or nursing home; or

(b) Because the registered voter is suddenly hospitalized,
becomes seriously ill or is called away from home after the time
has elapsed for requesting an absent ballot for the election
pursuant to subsection 1 of section 87 of this act,

39 → may submit a written request to the city clerk for an absent 40 ballot. The request must be submitted before 5 p.m. on the day of 41 the election.

42 2. If the city clerk determines that a request submitted 43 pursuant to subsection 1 includes the information required 44 pursuant to subsection 3, the city clerk shall, at the office of the





city clerk, deliver an absent ballot to the person designated in the request to obtain the absent ballot for the registered voter.

3 3. A written request submitted pursuant to subsection 1 must 4 include:

5 (a) The name, address and signature of the registered voter 6 requesting the absent ballot;

7 (b) The name, address and signature of the person designated 8 by the registered voter to obtain, deliver and return the absent ballot for the registered voter; 9

10 (c) A brief statement of the illness or disability of the registered 11 voter or of facts sufficient to establish that the registered voter was 12 called away from home after the time had elapsed for requesting 13 the absent ballot;

(d) If the registered voter is confined in a hospital, sanatorium, 14 15 dwelling or nursing home, a statement that he or she will be 16 confined therein on the day of the election; and

17 (e) Unless the person designated pursuant to paragraph (b) will mark and sign the absent ballot on behalf of the registered 18 voter pursuant to subsection 5, a statement signed under penalty 19 20 of perjury that only the registered voter will mark and sign the 21 absent ballot.

22 4. Except as otherwise provided in subsection 5, in order to 23 vote the absent ballot, the registered voter must, in accordance 24 with the instructions: 25

(a) Mark and fold the absent ballot;

26 (b) Deposit the absent ballot in the return envelope and seal 27 the return envelope;

28 (c) Affix his or her signature on the return envelope in the 29 space provided for the signature;

30 (d) Write in the space provided on the return envelope one of 31 the following:

32 (1) The last four digits of his or her driver's license number 33 issued by the Department of Motor Vehicles;

(2) If the voter does not have a driver's license number 34 issued by the Department of Motor Vehicles, the last four digits of 35 his or her social security number: or 36

37 (3) If the voter does not have a driver's license number issued by the Department of Motor Vehicles or a social security 38 number, the identification number issued by the county clerk 39 pursuant to NRS 293.507; 40

(e) Close the attached flap over the signature and identifying 41 42 numbers written on the return envelope; and

43 (f) Mail or deliver the return envelope in a manner authorized 44 by law.



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5. A person designated in a request submitted pursuant to subsection 3 may, on behalf of and at the direction of the registered voter, mark and sign the absent ballot. If the person marks and signs the absent ballot pursuant to this section, the person must:

6 (a) Indicate next to his or her signature that the absent ballot 7 has been marked and signed on behalf of the registered voter; and

8 (b) Submit a written statement with the absent ballot that 9 indicates the name, address and signature of the person.

10 6. An absent ballot prepared by or on behalf of the registered 11 voter pursuant to this section must be mailed or delivered to the 12 city clerk in accordance with section 91 of this act.

13 7. The procedure authorized by this section is subject to all 14 other provisions of this chapter relating to voting by absent ballot 15 to the extent that those provisions are not inconsistent with the 16 provisions of this section.

17 Sec. 90. 1. A registered voter who provides sufficient 18 written notice to the appropriate city clerk may request that the 19 registered voter receive an absent ballot for all elections at which 20 the registered voter is eligible to vote.

2. Except as otherwise provided in subsection 4, upon receipt
22 of a request submitted by a registered voter pursuant to subsection
23 I, the city clerk shall:

(a) Issue an absent ballot to the registered voter for each
primary city election, general city election and special city election
that is conducted after the date the written statement is submitted
to the city clerk.

(b) Inform the applicable county clerk of the receipt of the
written statement. Upon receipt of the notice from the city clerk,
the county clerk shall issue an absent ballot for each primary
election, presidential preference primary election, general election
and special election that is not a city election that is conducted
after the date the county clerk receives notice from the city clerk.

34 3. If, at the direction of a registered voter with a physical 35 disability or who is at least 65 years of age, a person:

(a) Marks and signs an absent ballot issued to the registered
voter pursuant to the provisions of this section on behalf of the
registered voter, the person must:

39 (1) Indicate next to his or her signature that the ballot has 40 been marked and signed on behalf of the registered voter; and

41 (2) Submit a written statement with the absent ballot that 42 includes the name, address and signature of the person.

(b) Assists the registered voter to mark and sign an absent
ballot issued to the registered voter pursuant to this section, the
person or registered voter must submit a written statement with the





absent ballot that includes the name, address and signature of the
 person.

3 4. A city clerk may not mail an absent ballot requested by a 4 registered voter pursuant to subsection 1 if, after the request is 5 submitted:

6 (a) The registered voter is designated inactive pursuant to 7 NRS 293.530;

8 (b) The county clerk cancels the registration of the person 9 pursuant to NRS 293.530, 293.535 or 293.540; or

10 (c) An absent ballot is returned to the county clerk as 11 undeliverable, unless the registered voter has submitted a new 12 request pursuant to subsection 1.

13 5. The procedure authorized pursuant to this section is 14 subject to all other provisions of this chapter relating to voting by 15 absent ballot to the extent that those provisions are not 16 inconsistent with the provisions of this section.

17 Sec. 91. 1. Except as otherwise provided in subsection 2, 18 absent ballots must be:

19 (a) Delivered by hand to the city clerk before the time set for 20 closing of the polls pursuant to NRS 293C.267; or

(b) Mailed to the city clerk, and:

22 (1) Postmarked at least 3 days before the day of the 23 election; and

(2) Received by the city clerk within the period for the
counting of the absent ballots pursuant to subsection 2 of section
98 of this act.

27 2. If an absent ballot is received not more than 3 days after 28 the day of the election and the date of the postmark cannot be 29 determined, the absent ballot shall be deemed to have been 30 postmarked at least 3 days before the day of the election.

31 Sec. 92. The city clerk shall determine before issuing an 32 absent ballot that the person who requested the absent ballot is a 33 registered voter in the proper city.

Sec. 93. 1. Except as otherwise provided in subsection 2 34 and chapter 293D of NRS, if the request for an absent ballot is 35 made properly, the city clerk shall, as soon as the official absent 36 37 ballot for the precinct or district in which the voter resides has been printed, send to the voter by first-class mail, or by any class 38 of mail if the Official Election Mail logo or mark created by the 39 United States Postal Service is properly placed on the official 40 absent ballot: 41

42 (a) An absent ballot;

43 (b) A return envelope, which must include, without limitation,
44 a flap to cover the signature and identifying numbers of the voter
45 required to be written on the return envelope;



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1 (c) An envelope or similar device into which the ballot is 2 inserted to ensure its secrecy; and

(d) An identification envelope, if applicable; and

(e) Instructions.

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5 2. If the city clerk fails to send an absent ballot pursuant to 6 subsection 1 to a voter who resides within the continental United 7 States, the city clerk may use approved electronic transmission to 8 send an absent ballot and instructions to the voter. The voter may 9 mail the absent ballot to the city clerk or submit the absent ballot 10 by approved electronic transmission.

11 3. The return envelope sent pursuant to subsection 1 must 12 include postage prepaid by first-class mail if the absent voter is 13 within the boundaries of the United States, its territories or 14 possessions or on a military base.

15 4. Nothing may be enclosed or sent with an absent ballot 16 except as required by subsection 1 or 2 and chapter 293D of NRS.

17 5. Before depositing a ballot with the United States Postal 18 Service or sending a ballot by approved electronic transmission, 19 the city clerk shall record the date the ballot is issued, the name of 20 the registered voter to whom it is issued, the registered voter's 21 precinct or district, the number of the ballot and any remarks the 22 city clerk finds appropriate.

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25 Sec. 94. 1. Except as otherwise provided in NRS 293D.200, 26 when an absent ballot is returned by an absent voter to the city 27 clerk through the mail, by facsimile machine or other approved 28 electronic transmission or in person, and record of its return is 29 made in the absent ballot record for the election, the city clerk or 30 an employee in the office of the city clerk shall:

(a) Except as otherwise provided in paragraph (b), verify that
the last four digits of the driver's license number or social security
number, as applicable, written on the return envelope match the
information of the voter in the records of the city clerk;

35 (b) If the voter has written the identification number issued by 36 the city clerk pursuant to NRS 293.507, verify that the 37 identification number matches the information of the voter in the 38 records of the city clerk; and

(c) Check the signature used for the absent ballot against all
 signatures of the absent voter available in the records of the city
 clerk.

42 2. Except as otherwise provided in subsection 3, if the city 43 clerk determines pursuant to subsection 1 that the absent voter is 44 entitled to cast the absent ballot and:





1 (a) No absent ballot central counting board has been 2 appointed, the city clerk shall neatly stack, unopened, the absent 3 ballot with any other absent ballot received that day in a container 4 and deliver, or cause to be delivered, that container to the 5 appropriate election board.

6 (b) An absent ballot central counting board has been 7 appointed, the city clerk shall deposit the absent ballot in the 8 proper ballot box or place the absent ballot, unopened, in a 9 container that must be securely locked or under the control of the city clerk at all times. At the end of each day before election day, 10 the city clerk may remove the absent ballots from each ballot box, 11 12 neatly stack the absent ballots in a container and seal the 13 container with a numbered seal. Not earlier than 4 working days 14 before the election, the city clerk shall deliver the absent ballots to the absent ballot central counting board to be processed and 15 16 prepared for counting pursuant to the procedures established by 17 the Secretary of State to ensure the confidentiality of the prepared 18 ballots until after the polls have closed pursuant to NRS 293C.267 or 293C.297. 19

20 *3*. If the city clerk determines when checking the signature of 21 the absent voter pursuant to subsection 1 that the absent voter did 22 not include the necessary information or sign the return envelope 23 but is otherwise entitled to cast the absent ballot, the city clerk 24 shall contact the absent voter and advise the voter of the 25 procedures to provide the necessary information or a signature. 26 For the absent ballot to be counted, the absent voter must provide 27 a signature within the period for the counting of absent ballots 28 pursuant to subsection 2 of section 98 of this act.

29 Sec. 95. 1. If:

(a) A request for an absent ballot is made by a registered voter
 in person; and

32 (b) The governing body of the city, pursuant to paragraph (b) 33 of subsection 2 of NRS 293C.110, has provided for voting by 34 absent ballot in person,

the city clerk shall issue an absent ballot to the registered voter,
and the ballot must be voted on the premises of the city clerk's
office and returned to the city clerk. The city clerk shall follow the
same procedure as in the case of absent ballots received by mail.

If the governing body of the city has provided for voting by
absent ballot in person pursuant to paragraph (b) of subsection 2
of NRS 293C.110, at least 20 days before a primary city election or
general city election until 5 p.m. on:

43 (a) The Friday before the election; or

(b) If the city clerk's office is not scheduled to be open on the
Friday before the election, the Thursday before the election,





→ each city clerk shall provide a voting booth, with suitable 1 equipment for voting, on the premises of the city clerk's office for 2 3 use by registered voters who are issued absent ballots in accordance with this section. 4

5 Sec. 96. 1. During the period specified in subsection 2 of section 95 of this act when the city clerk's office is maintained 6 7 with suitable equipment for voting an absent ballot in person:

8 (a) A person may not electioneer for or against any candidate, 9 measure or political party in or within 100 feet from the entrance to the city clerk's office. 10

(b) The city clerk shall keep continuously posted:

12 (1) At each entrance to the city clerk's office, a sign on 13 which is printed in large letters "Polling Place for Voting Absent Ballots"; and 14

15 (2) At the outer limits of the area within which electioneering is prohibited, a sign on which is printed in large 16 17 letters "Distance Marker: No electioneering between this point and any entrance to the city clerk's office." 18

2. Ropes or other suitable objects may be used at the city 19 20 clerk's office to ensure compliance with this section.

21 Any person who willfully violates the provisions of this 3. 22 section is guilty of a gross misdemeanor.

Sec. 97. 1. Except provided in 23 as otherwise NRS 24 293.269951, chapter 293D of NRS and subsection 2 of section 93 25 of this act, to vote an absent ballot, the voter must: 26

(a) Mark and fold the absent ballot;

27 (b) Deposit the absent ballot in the return envelope and seal 28 the return envelope:

29 (c) Affix his or her signature on the return envelope in the 30 space provided for the signature;

31 (d) Write in the space provided on the return envelope one of 32 the following:

33 (1) The last four digits of his or her driver's license number issued by the Department of Motor Vehicles; 34

35 (2) If the voter does not have a driver's license number issued by the Department of Motor Vehicles, the last four digits of 36 37 his or her social security number; or

38 (3) If the voter does not have a driver's license number issued by the Department of Motor Vehicles or a social security 39 40 number, the identification number issued by the county clerk 41 pursuant to NRS 293.507.

(e) Close the attached flap over the signature and identifying 42 43 numbers written on the return envelope; and

44 (f) Mail or deliver the return envelope in a manner authorized 45 by law.



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1 2. Except as otherwise provided in subsection 3, if a 2 registered voter who has requested an absent ballot applies to vote 3 the absent ballot in person at:

4 (a) The office of the city clerk, the voter must vote the absent
5 ballot in the same manner as provided in subsection 1, and deliver
6 the envelope to the city clerk.

7 (b) A polling place, including, without limitation, a polling 8 place for early voting, the voter must surrender the absent ballot 9 and provide proof of identity before being issued a ballot to vote at 10 the polling place. A person who receives a surrendered absent 11 ballot shall mark it "Cancelled."

12 3. If a registered voter who has requested an absent ballot by 13 mail applies to vote in person at the office of the city clerk or a 14 polling place, including, without limitation, a polling place for 15 early voting, and the registered voter does not have the absent 16 ballot to deliver or surrender, the voter must be issued a ballot to 17 vote if the registered voter:

18 19 (a) **Provides proof of identity**;

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

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

4. Except as otherwise provided in sections 89 and 90 of this act, it is unlawful for any person to return an absent ballot other than the voter who requested the absent ballot or, at the request of the registered voter, a member of the immediate family of the voter. A person who returns an absent ballot and who is a member of the immediate family of the registered voter who requested the absent ballot:

(a) Shall, under penalty of perjury, indicate on a form
prescribed by the city clerk that the person is a member of the
immediate family of the registered voter who requested the absent
ballot and that the registered voter requested that the person
return the absent ballot; and

(b) Shall not return more than two absent ballots belonging to
 a member of the person's immediate family for any election.

*5.* A person who violates the provisions of subsection 4 is
guilty of a category E felony and shall be punished as provided in *NRS* 193.130.

40 Sec. 98. 1. Except as otherwise provided in NRS 293D.200, 41 on the day of an election, the election boards receiving the absent 42 ballots from the city clerk shall, in the presence of a majority of 43 the election board officers, remove the absent ballots from the 44 ballot box and the containers in which the absent ballots were





1 transported pursuant to section 94 of this act and deposit the 2 absent ballots in the regular ballot box in the following manner:

3 (a) The name of the absent voter, as shown on the return 4 envelope or approved electronic transmission, must be called and 5 checked as if the absent voter were voting in person;

6 (b) If the board determines that the absent voter is entitled to 7 cast the absent ballot, the return envelope must be opened, the 8 numbers on the absent ballot and return envelope or approved 9 electronic transmission compared, the number strip or stub 10 detached from the absent ballot, and, if the numbers are the same, 11 the absent ballot deposited in the regular ballot box; and

12 (c) The election board officers shall indicate the roster 13 "Voted" by the name of the absent voter.

14 2. Counting of absent ballots must continue through the 15 seventh day following the elections.

16 Sec. 99. When all absent ballots delivered to the election 17 boards have been voted or rejected, except as otherwise provided 18 in NRS 293D.200, the empty envelopes and the envelopes and approved electronic transmissions containing the rejected absent 19 20 ballots must be returned to the city clerk. On all envelopes and 21 approved electronic transmissions containing the rejected absent 22 ballots the cause of the rejection must be noted and the envelope 23 or approved electronic transmission signed by a majority of the 24 election board officers.

25 Sec. 100. 1. In cities in which an absent ballot central 26 counting board is appointed, the city clerk shall provide a ballot 27 box in the city clerk's office for each different ballot listing in the 28 city.

29 2. On each box there must appear a statement indicating the 30 precincts and district for which the box has been designated.

31 3. Except as otherwise provided in NRS 293D.200, each 32 absent ballot voted must be deposited in a ballot box according to 33 the precinct or district of the absent voter voting that ballot.

34 Sec. 101. An error in the information included by a 35 registered voter in a form to request an absent ballot does not 36 constitute grounds for rejecting an absent ballot cast by the 37 registered voter.

Not earlier than 4 working days before the 38 Sec. 102. 1. election, the counting board, if it is responsible for counting 39 40 absent ballots, or the absent ballot central counting board shall withdraw the absent ballots from each ballot box or container that 41 42 holds absent ballots received before that day and ascertain 43 whether each box or container has the required number of absent 44 ballots according to the city clerk's absent ballot record for the 45 election.





1 2. The counting board or absent ballot central counting 2 board shall count the number of absent ballots in the same 3 manner as election boards.

Sec. 103. 1. Each day after the initial withdrawal of the 4 absent ballots pursuant to section 102 of this act and before the 5 day of the election, the counting board, if it is responsible for 6 counting absent ballots, or the absent ballot central counting 7 8 board shall withdraw from the appropriate ballot boxes or containers all the absent ballots received the previous day and 9 determine whether each box or container has the required number 10 of absent ballots according to the city clerk's absent ballot record 11 12 for the election.

13 2. If any absent ballots are received by the city clerk on 14 election day pursuant to section 89 of this act, the city clerk shall 15 deposit the absent ballots in the appropriate ballot boxes or 16 containers.

17 3. Not earlier than 4 working days before the election, the 18 appropriate board shall, in public, count the votes cast on the 19 absent ballots.

20 4. If paper ballots are used, the results of the absent ballot 21 vote in each precinct must be certified and submitted to the city 22 clerk, who shall have the results added to the regular votes of the 23 precinct. The returns of absent ballots must be reported separately 24 from the regular votes of the precinct, unless reporting the returns separately would violate the secrecy of a voter's ballot. The city 25 26 clerks shall develop a procedure to ensure that each ballot is kept 27 secret.

28 5. Any person who disseminates to the public information
29 relating to the count of absent ballots before the polls close is
30 guilty of a misdemeanor.

Sec. 104. The absent ballot inspection board shall:

32 1. Perform functions similar to those of the central ballot 33 inspection board and the ballot duplicating board as those 34 functions are applicable to absent ballots.

35 2. Bundle the empty absent ballot return envelopes according
 36 to precinct and deliver the bundles to the city clerk.

37 3. Treat any absentee or mailing envelope found not to 38 contain a ballot as a rejected ballot and place that envelope in a 39 separate larger envelope on which must be written the ballot code 40 or precinct and the reason for the rejection.

41 Sec. 105. NRS 293C.110 is hereby amended to read as 42 follows:

43 293C.110 1. Except as otherwise provided in *subsection 2* 44 *and* NRS 293.5817, [and 293C.263 to 293C.26337, inclusive,] the
 45 conduct of any city election is under the control of the governing



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1 body of the city, and it shall, by ordinance, provide for the holding 2 of the election, appoint the necessary election officers and election 3 boards and do all other things required to carry the election into 4 effect. 5 2. [The] Except as otherwise provided in NRS 293C.112, the 6 governing body of the city [may] shall provide for [the]: (a) Absent ballots to be voted in a city election pursuant to 7 8 sections 83 to 100, inclusive, of this act, except for sections 95 and 9 96 of this act unless the governing body of the city provides for the applicability of those provisions pursuant to paragraph (b); and 10 11 (b) The conduct of [early]: 12 (1) *Early* voting by personal appearance in a city election 13 pursuant to NRS 293.5772 to 293.5887, inclusive, and 293C.355 to 14 293C.361, inclusive [.]; 15 (2) Voting by absent ballot in person in a city election 16 pursuant to sections 95 and 96 of this act; or 17 (3) Both early voting by personal appearance as described 18 in subparagraph (1) and voting by absent ballot in person as 19 described in subparagraph (2). Sec. 106. NRS 293C.112 is hereby amended to read as 20 21 follows: 22 293C.112 1. The governing body of a city may conduct a city 23 election in which all ballots must be cast by mail *in accordance* 24 with the provisions of NRS 293C.263 to 293C.26337, inclusive.] if: 25 (a) The election is a special election; or 26 (b) The election is a primary city election or general city 27 election in which the ballot includes only: 28 (1) Offices and ballot questions that may be voted on by the 29 registered voters of only one ward; or 30 (2) One office or ballot question. The provisions of NRS 293.5772 to 293.5887, inclusive, 2. 31 32 293C.265 to 293C.302, inclusive, and 293C.355 to 293C.361, 33 inclusive, and sections 83 to 100, inclusive, of this act do not apply to an election conducted pursuant to this section. 34 35 Sec. 107. NRS 293C.185 is hereby amended to read as 36 follows: Except as otherwise provided in NRS 293C.190, 37 293C.185 1. 38 a name may not be printed on a ballot to be used at a primary or general city election unless the person named has, in accordance 39 40 with NRS 293C.145 or 293C.175, as applicable, timely filed a declaration of candidacy with the appropriate filing officer and paid 41 42 the filing fee established by the governing body of the city. 43 A declaration of candidacy required to be filed pursuant to 2. 44 this chapter must be in substantially the following form:





$\frac{1}{2}$	DECLARATION OF CANDIDACY OF FOR THE OFFICE OF
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4	State of Nevada
5	State of Novada
6	City of
7	City of
8	For the purpose of having my name placed on the official
9	ballot as a candidate for the office of
10	, the undersigned do swear or affirm under penalty
10	of perjury that I actually, as opposed to constructively, reside
12	at, in the City or Town of, County of
12	
	constructive, residence in the city, township or other area
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15	prescribed by law to which the office pertains began on a date
16	at least 30 days immediately preceding the date of the close
17	of filing of declarations of candidacy for this office; that my
18	telephone number is, and the address at which I
19	receive mail, if different than my residence, is;
20	that I am a qualified elector pursuant to Section 1 of Article 2
21	of the Constitution of the State of Nevada; that if I have ever
22	been convicted of treason or a felony, my civil rights have
23	been restored; that if nominated as a candidate at the ensuing
24	election I will accept the nomination and not withdraw; that I
25	will not knowingly violate any election law or any law
26	defining and prohibiting corrupt and fraudulent practices in
27	campaigns and elections in this State; that I will qualify for
28	the office if elected thereto, including, but not limited to,
29	complying with any limitation prescribed by the Constitution
30	and laws of this State concerning the number of years or
31	terms for which a person may hold the office; that I
32	understand that knowingly and willfully filing a declaration
33	of candidacy which contains a false statement is a crime
34	punishable as a gross misdemeanor and also subjects me to a
35	civil action disqualifying me from entering upon the duties of
36	the office; and that I understand that my name will appear on
37	all ballots as designated in this declaration.
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40	(Designation of name)
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43	(Signature of candidate for office)





1	Subscribed and sworn to before me
2	this day of the month of of the year
3	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
7	authorized to administer an oath
8	3. The address of a candidate that must be included in the
9	declaration of candidacy pursuant to subsection 2 must be the street
10	address of the residence where the candidate actually, as opposed to
11	constructively, resides in accordance with NRS 281.050, if one has
12	been assigned. The declaration of candidacy must not be accepted
13	for filing if the candidate fails to comply with the following
14	provisions of this subsection or, if applicable, the provisions of
15	subsection 4:
16	(a) The candidate shall not list the candidate's address as a post
17	office box unless a street address has not been assigned to the
18	residence: and
19	(b) Except as otherwise provided in subsection 4, the candidate
20	shall present to the filing officer:
21	(1) A valid driver's license or identification card issued by a
22	governmental agency that contains a photograph of the candidate
23	and the candidate's residential address; or
24	(2) A current utility bill, bank statement, paycheck, or
25	document issued by a governmental entity, including a check which
26	indicates the candidate's name and residential address, but not
27	including a voter registration card.
28	4. If the candidate executes an oath or affirmation under
29	penalty of perjury stating that the candidate is unable to present to
30	the filing officer the [proof] evidence of residency required by
31	subsection 3 because a street address has not been assigned to the
32	candidate's residence or because the rural or remote location of the
33	candidate's residence makes it impracticable to present the [proof]
34	evidence of residency required by subsection 3, the candidate shall
35	present to the filing officer:
36	(a) A valid driver's license or identification card issued by a
37	governmental agency that contains a photograph of the candidate;
38 39	(b) Alternative proof of the candidate's residential address that
39 40	the filing officer determines is sufficient to verify where the
40 41	candidate actually, as opposed to constructively, resides in
42	accordance with NRS 281.050. The Secretary of State may adopt
43	regulations establishing the forms of alternative proof of the
44	candidate's residential address that the filing officer may accept to
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verify where the candidate actually, as opposed to constructively,
 resides in accordance with NRS 281.050.

5. The filing officer shall retain a copy of the **[proof]** evidence of identity and residency provided by the candidate pursuant to subsection 3 or 4. Such a copy:

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(a) May not be withheld from the public; and

7 (b) Must not contain the social security number, driver's license 8 or identification card number or account number of the candidate.

9 By filing the declaration of candidacy, the candidate shall be 6. deemed to have appointed the city clerk as his or her agent for 10 service of process for the purposes of a proceeding pursuant to NRS 11 12 293C.186. Service of such process must first be attempted at the 13 appropriate address as specified by the candidate in the declaration 14 of candidacy. If the candidate cannot be served at that address, 15 service must be made by personally delivering to and leaving with 16 the city clerk duplicate copies of the process. The city clerk shall 17 immediately send, by registered or certified mail, one of the copies 18 to the candidate at the specified address, unless the candidate has 19 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 20 21 address so designated.

7. If the city clerk receives credible evidence indicating that a
candidate has been convicted of a felony and has not had his or her
civil rights restored, the city clerk:

(a) May conduct an investigation to determine whether the
candidate has been convicted of a felony and, if so, whether the
candidate has had his or her civil rights restored; and

(b) Shall transmit the credible evidence and the findings fromsuch investigation to the city attorney.

8. The receipt of information by the city attorney pursuant to subsection 7 must be treated as a challenge of a candidate pursuant to subsections 4 and 5 of NRS 293C.186 to which the provisions of NRS 293.2045 apply.

9. Any person who knowingly and willfully files a declaration
of candidacy which contains a false statement in violation of this
section is guilty of a gross misdemeanor.

37 Sec. 108. NRS 293C.220 is hereby amended to read as 38 follows:

39 293C.220 The city clerk shall appoint and notify registered 1. 40 voters to act as election board officers for the various polling places and precincts in the city as provided in NRS 293.225, 293.227, 41 42 293C.227, 293C.228 and [293C.26329.] sections 80, 81 and 100 of 43 *this act.* No candidate for nomination or election or a relative of the 44 candidate within the second degree of consanguinity or affinity may 45 be appointed as an election board officer. Immediately after election





1 board officers are appointed, if requested by the city clerk, the chief2 law enforcement officer of the city shall:

3 (a) Appoint an officer for each polling place in the city and for
4 the central election board [and] or the [mail] absent ballot central
5 counting board; or

6 (b) Deputize, as an officer for the election, an election board 7 officer for each polling place and for the central election board [and] 8 or the [mail] absent ballot central counting board. The deputized 9 officer may not receive any additional compensation for the services 10 he or she provides as an officer during the election for which the 11 officer is deputized.

12  $\rightarrow$  Officers so appointed and deputized shall preserve order during 13 hours of voting and attend the closing of the polls.

14 2. The city clerk may appoint a trainee for the position of 15 election board officer as set forth in NRS 293C.222.

16 Sec. 109. NRS 293C.265 is hereby amended to read as 17 follows:

18 293C.265 1. Except as otherwise provided in subsection 2 and in NRS 293.2725 and 293.3083, a person who registered by 20 mail or computer to vote shall, for the first city election in which the 21 person votes at which that registration is valid, vote in person unless 22 he or she has previously voted in the county in which he or she is 23 registered to vote.

24 2. The provisions of subsection 1 do not apply to a person who:
25 (a) Is entitled to vote [otherwise than in person] an absent ballot
26 pursuant to federal law or chapter 293D of NRS [;] or section 89 of
27 this act:

(b) Is disabled;

29 (c) Is provided the right to vote otherwise than in person 30 pursuant to the Voting Accessibility for the Elderly and 31 Handicapped Act, 52 U.S.C. §§ 20101 et seq.; [or]

(d) [Îs sent a mail ballot pursuant to the provisions of NRS
 293C.26312 and includes a copy of the information required

34 pursuant to paragraph (b) of subsection 1 of NRS 293.2725 with his

35 or her voted mail ballot, if required pursuant to NRS 293C.26314.]

36 Submits or has previously submitted a written request for an 37 absent ballot that is signed by the registered voter before a notary

38 public or other person authorized to administer an oath; or

39 (e) Requests an absent ballot in person at the office of the city 40 clerk.

41 Sec. 110. NRS 293C.2675 is hereby amended to read as 42 follows:

293C.2675 1. If an Indian reservation or Indian colony is
located in whole or in part within a city, the city clerk shall, except
as otherwise provided in subsections 2 and 5, establish within the





boundaries of the Indian reservation or Indian colony at a location
 approved by the Indian tribe for the day of a primary city election or

3 general city election a polling place . [and a ballot drop box.]

4 2. An Indian tribe may elect not to have a polling place [and 5 ballot drop box] established within the boundaries of an Indian 6 reservation or Indian colony for the day of a primary city election or 7 general city election by submitting notice to the city clerk on or 8 before:

9 (a) If the notice is for a primary city election, January 15 of the 10 year in which the primary city election is to be held.

11 (b) If the notice is for a general city election, June 15 of the year 12 in which the general city election is to be held.

3. Any location of a polling place [and ballot drop box]
established pursuant to subsection 1 must satisfy the criteria the city
clerk uses for the establishment of any other polling place , [and
ballot drop box,] as applicable.

4. Except as otherwise provided in subsection 5, the city clerk must continue to establish one polling place [and ballot drop box] within the boundaries of the Indian reservation or Indian colony at a location approved by the Indian tribe for the day of any future primary city election or general city election unless otherwise notified by the Indian tribe pursuant to subsection 2.

5. Not later than the dates set forth in subsection 2 to elect not to have a polling place [and ballot drop box] established within the boundaries of the Indian reservation or Indian colony, an Indian tribe that elects to have a polling place [and ballot drop box] established must submit to the city clerk and the tribal liaison designated by the Office of the Secretary of State pursuant to NRS 233A.260:

(a) The location for the polling place [and ballot drop box] and
whether the location will have only a polling place ; [or ballot drop
box or both a polling place and ballot drop box;]

(b) Whether the Indian tribe will select registered voters to be
appointed to act as election board officers to staff the polling place
within the boundaries of the Indian reservation or Indian colony;
and

(c) The proposed days and hours for the operation of the pollingplace.

39  $\rightarrow$  If an Indian tribe does not submit the information required 40 pursuant to this subsection, the Indian tribe shall be deemed to have 41 elected not to have a polling place [and ballot drop box] established

42 within the boundaries of the Indian reservation or Indian colony.





1 Sec. 111. NRS 293C.270 is hereby amended to read as 2 follows:

293C.270 1. Except as otherwise provided in NRS 293.5772
to 293.5887, inclusive, and 293C.272, if a person's name appears in
the roster or if the person provides an affirmation pursuant to NRS
293C.525, the person is entitled to vote and must [sign]:

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(a) Present proof of identity; and

8 (b) Sign his or her name in the roster or on a signature card 9 when he or she applies to vote. Except as otherwise provided in 10 NRS 293.57691, the signature must be compared by an election 11 board officer with the signature or a facsimile thereof on the 12 person's application to register to vote or <u>[one of the forms of</u> 13 identification listed in subsection 2.] on his or her proof of identity.

14 2. [The forms of identification that may be used to identify a 15 voter at the polling place are:

16 (a) The voter registration card issued to the voter;

17 (b) A driver's license;

18 (c) An identification card issued by the Department of Motor
 19 Vehicles;

20 (d) A military identification card; or

(e) Any other form of identification issued by a governmental
 agency that contains the voter's signature and physical description
 or picture.

24 — 3.] The city clerk shall prescribe a procedure, approved by the 25 Secretary of State, to verify that the voter has not already voted in 26 that city in the current election.

27 Sec. 112. NRS 293C.272 is hereby amended to read as 28 follows:

29 293C.272 1. If, because of physical limitations, a registered 30 voter is unable to sign his or her name in the roster or on a signature 31 card as required by NRS 293C.270, the voter must be identified by:

32 (a) Answering questions from the election board officer 33 covering the personal data which is reported on the application to 34 register to vote;

(b) Providing the election board officer, orally or in writing,
with other personal data which verifies the identity of the voter; or

(c) [Providing] Presenting the election board officer with his or
her proof of [identification as described in NRS 293C.270 other
than the voter registration card issued to the voter.] identity.

40 2. If the identity of the voter is verified, the election board 41 officer shall indicate in the roster "Identified" by the voter's name.

42 Sec. 113. NRS 293C.275 is hereby amended to read as 43 follows:

44 293C.275 1. Except as otherwise provided in NRS 293.5772 45 to 293.5887, inclusive, and 293C.272:





(a) A registered voter who applies to vote must state his or her
name to the election board officer in charge of the roster; and
(b) The election board officer shall:

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(1) Announce the name of the registered voter;

5 (2) Require that the registered voter present proof of 6 identity;

7 (3) Instruct the registered voter to sign the roster or signature 8 card;

9 [(3)] (4) Verify the signature of the registered voter in the 10 manner set forth in NRS 293C.270; and

11 [(4)] (5) Verify that the registered voter has not already 12 voted in that city in the current election.

2. Except as otherwise provided in NRS 293.57691, if the signature does not match, the *registered* voter must be identified by:
(a) *Either:*

16 (1) Answering questions from the election board officer 17 covering the personal data which is reported on the application to 18 register to vote; *or* 

19 [(b)] (2) Providing the election board officer, orally or in 20 writing, with other personal data which verifies the identity of the 21 *registered* voter; [or

22 (c) Providing] and

(b) Presenting the election board officer with proof of
 [identification as described in NRS 293C.270 other than the voter
 registration card issued to the voter.] identity.

3. If the signature of the *registered* voter has changed in comparison to the signature on the application to register to vote, the *registered* voter must update his or her signature on a form prescribed by the Secretary of State.

4. For the purposes of subsection 2, the personal data of a *registered* voter may include his or her date of birth.

32 Sec. 114. NRS 293C.277 is hereby amended to read as 33 follows:

293C.277 1. A registered voter who applies to vote at an election must give his or her name to the election board officer in charge of the roster, and the officer shall immediately announce the name of the *registered* voter [-] and require that the registered *voter present proof of identity.* 

2. Any person's right to vote may be challenged by a registered
voter upon any of the grounds allowed for a challenge in NRS
293C.292. Any such challenge must be disposed of in the manner
provided in NRS 293C.292.

43 Sec. 115. NRS 293C.292 is hereby amended to read as 44 follows:

45 293C.292 1. A person applying to vote may be challenged:



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(a) Orally by any registered voter of the precinct or district upon
 the ground that he or she is not the person entitled to vote as claimed
 or has voted before at the same election; or

4 (b) On any ground set forth in a challenge filed with the county 5 clerk pursuant to the provisions of NRS 293.547.

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2. If a person is challenged, an election board officer shall tender the challenged person the following oath or affirmation:

8 (a) If the challenge is on the ground that the challenged person 9 does not reside at the residence for which the address is listed in the 10 roster, "I swear or affirm under penalty of perjury that I reside at the 11 residence for which the address is listed in the roster";

(b) If the challenge is on the ground that the challenged person
previously voted a ballot for the election, "I swear or affirm under
penalty of perjury that I have not voted for any of the candidates or
questions included on this ballot for this election"; or

16 (c) If the challenge is on the ground that the challenged person is 17 not the person he or she claims to be, "I swear or affirm under 18 penalty of perjury that I am the person whose name is in this roster."

<sup>19</sup> The oath or affirmation must be set forth on a form prepared by <sup>20</sup> the Secretary of State and signed by the challenged person under <sup>21</sup> penalty of perjury.

3. If the challenged person refuses to execute the oath or affirmation so tendered, the person must not be issued a ballot, and the election board officer shall indicate in the roster "Challenged" by the person's name.

4. If the challenged person refuses to execute the oath or affirmation set forth in paragraph (a) of subsection 2, the election board officers shall inform the person that he or she is entitled to vote only in the manner prescribed in NRS 293C.295.

5. If the challenged person executes the oath or affirmation and the challenge is not based on the ground set forth in paragraph (c) of subsection 2, the election board officers shall issue him or her a ballot.

6. If the challenge is based on the ground set forth in paragraph (a) of subsection 2, and the challenged person executes the oath or affirmation, the election board shall not issue the person a ballot until he or she furnishes satisfactory identification that contains proof of the address at which the person actually resides. For the purposes of this subsection, a voter registration card does not provide proof of the address at which a person resides.

7. If the challenge is based on the ground set forth in paragraph
(c) of subsection 2 and the challenged person executes the oath or
affirmation, the election board shall not issue the person a ballot
unless the person [:





1 (a) Furnishes official identification which contains a photograph 2 of the person, such as a driver's license or other official document;

- 3 <del>or</del>
- (b) Brings before the election board officers a person who is at
   least 18 years of age who:
- 6 (1) Furnishes official identification which contains a
- 7 photograph of the person, such as a driver's license or other official
   8 document; and
- 9 (2) Executes an oath or affirmation under penalty of perjury 10 that the challenged person is who he or she swears to be.] *furnishes* 11 *proof of identity*.
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- 8. The election board officers shall:(a) Record on the challenge list:
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(1) The name of the challenged person;

15 (2) The name of the registered voter who initiated the 16 challenge; and

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(3) The result of the challenge; and

18 (b) If possible, orally notify the registered voter who initiated 19 the challenge of the result of the challenge.

20 Sec. 116. NRS 293C.302 is hereby amended to read as 21 follows:

22 293C.302 1. If a court of competent jurisdiction orders a city 23 to extend the deadline for voting beyond the statutory period in an 24 election, the city clerk shall, as soon as practicable after receiving 25 notice of the decision of the court:

(a) Cause notice of the extended period to be published in a
newspaper of general circulation in the city or if no newspaper is of
general circulation in that city, in a newspaper of general circulation
in the nearest city; and

30 (b) Transmit a notice of the extended deadline to each registered 31 voter who <u>[received a mail]</u> *requested an absent* ballot for the 32 election and has not returned the <u>[mail]</u> ballot before the date on 33 which the notice will be transmitted.

34 2. The notice required pursuant to paragraph (a) of subsection 135 must be published:

(a) In a city whose population is 25,000 or more, on at least 3
successive days.

(b) In a city whose population is less than 25,000, at least twicein successive issues of the newspaper.

40 Sec. 117. NRS 293C.3035 is hereby amended to read as 41 follows:

293C.3035 1. Except as otherwise provided in NRS 293.5772
to 293.5887, inclusive, and 293C.272, upon the appearance of a
person to cast a ballot at a polling place established pursuant to NRS
293C.3032, if any, the election board officer shall:





1 (a) Determine [that] whether the person is a registered voter in 2 the city and has not already voted in that city in the current election;

3 (b) *Require the registered voter to present proof of identity;* 

4 (c) Instruct the *registered* voter to sign the roster or a signature 5 card; and

6 **((c))** (d) Verify the signature of the *registered* voter in the 7 manner set forth in NRS 293C.270.

8 2. Except as otherwise provided in NRS 293.57691, if the 9 signature of the *registered* voter does not match, the *registered* voter 10 must be identified by:

(a) *Either*:

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12 (1) Answering questions from the election board officer 13 covering the personal data which is reported on the application to 14 register to vote; *or* 

15 [(b)] (2) Providing the election board officer, orally or in 16 writing, with other personal data which verifies the identity of the 17 voter; [or

18 <u>(c) Providing]</u> and

19 **(b)** *Presenting* the election board officer with proof of 20 [identification as described in NRS 293C.270 other than the voter 21 registration card issued to the voter.] *identity*.

3. If the signature of the *registered* voter has changed in comparison to the signature on the application to register to vote, the *registered* voter must update his or her signature on a form prescribed by the Secretary of State.

4. The city clerk shall prescribe a procedure, approved by the Secretary of State, to verify that the *registered* voter has not already voted in that city in the current election.

5. When a *registered* voter is entitled to cast a ballot and has identified himself or herself to the satisfaction of the election board officer, the *registered* voter is entitled to receive the appropriate ballot or ballots, but only for his or her own use at the polling place where he or she applies to vote.

6. If the ballot is voted on a mechanical recording device which directly records the votes electronically, the election board officer shall:

(a) Prepare the mechanical voting device for the *registered* voter;

39 (b) Ensure that the *registered* voter's precinct or voting district
40 and the form of the ballot are indicated on the voting receipt, if the
41 city clerk uses voting receipts; and

42 (c) Allow the *registered* voter to cast a vote.

43 7. A *registered* voter applying to vote at a polling place 44 established pursuant to NRS 293C.3032, if any, may be challenged 45 pursuant to NRS 293C.292.





voter in person, the city clerk shall, except as otherwise provided in 4 5 **NRS 293C.3585**, issue a ballot for early voting to the voter. Such a ballot must be voted on the premises of the clerk's office and 6 7 returned to the clerk. 8 2. On the dates for early voting prescribed in NRS 293C.3568, each city clerk shall provide a voting booth, with suitable equipment 9 for voting, on the premises of the city clerk's office for use by 10 registered voters who are issued ballots for early voting in 11 12 accordance with this section. 13 Sec. 119. NRS 293C.3564 is hereby amended to read as 14 follows: 293C.3564 15 1. The city clerk in a city *providing for early* voting by personal appearance pursuant to subparagraph (1) of 16 17 paragraph (b) of subsection 2 of NRS 293C.110, shall establish at least one permanent polling place for early voting by personal 18 19 appearance in the city at the locations selected pursuant to 20 NRS 293C.3561. 21 2. Any person entitled to vote early by personal appearance 22 may do so at any polling place for early voting. 23 Sec. 120. NRS 293C.3585 is hereby amended to read as 24 follows: 25 293C.3585 1. Except as otherwise provided in NRS 293.5772 to 293.5887, inclusive, and 293C.272, upon the appearance of a 26 27 person to cast a ballot for early voting, an election board officer 28 shall: 29 (a) Determine that the person is a registered voter in the county. (b) Require the registered voter to present proof of identity. 30 31 (c) Instruct the *registered* voter to sign the roster for early voting 32 or a signature card. 33 **(d)** Verify the signature of the *registered* voter in the manner set forth in NRS 293C.270. 34 35 (d) (e) Verify that the *registered* voter has not already voted in that city in the current election. 36 2. Except as otherwise provided in NRS 293.57691, if the 37 38 signature does not match, the *registered* voter must be identified by: 39 (a) *Either*: 40 (1) Answering questions from the election board officer 41 covering the personal data which is reported on the application to 42 register to vote; or 43 (b) (2) Providing the election board officer, orally or in 44 writing, with other personal data which verifies the identity of the 45 *registered* voter; for A B 2 2 8 3

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Sec. 118. NRS 293C.356 is hereby amended to read as

293C.356 1. If a request is made to vote early by a registered

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follows:

1 (c) Providing] and

(b) Presenting the election board officer with proof of
 [identification as described in NRS 293C.270 other than the voter
 registration card issued to the voter.] identity.

5 3. If the signature of the *registered* voter has changed in 6 comparison to the signature on the application to register to vote, the 7 *registered* voter must update his or her signature on a form 8 prescribed by the Secretary of State.

9 4. The city clerk shall prescribe a procedure, approved by the 10 Secretary of State, to verify that the *registered* voter has not already 11 voted in that city in the current election.

5. The roster for early voting or signature card, as applicable,must contain:

(a) The *registered* voter's name, the address where he or she is
registered to vote, his or her voter identification number and a place
for the *registered* voter's signature;

17 (b) The *registered* voter's precinct or voting district number, if 18 that information is available; and

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(c) The date of voting early in person.

6. When a *registered* voter is entitled to cast a ballot and has identified himself or herself to the satisfaction of the election board officer, the *registered* voter is entitled to receive the appropriate ballot or ballots, but only for his or her own use at the polling place for early voting.

7. If the ballot is voted on a mechanical recording device which
directly records the votes electronically, the election board officer
shall:

(a) Prepare the mechanical recording device for the *registered* voter;

30 (b) Ensure that the *registered* voter's precinct or voting district, 31 if that information is available, and the form of ballot are indicated 32 on the voting receipt, if the city clerk uses voting receipts; and

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3 (c) Allow the *registered* voter to cast a vote. 4 8 A *registered* voter applying to vote

8. A *registered* voter applying to vote early by personal appearance may be challenged pursuant to NRS 293C.292.

36 9. For the purposes of subsection 2, the personal data of a 37 *registered* voter may include his or her date of birth.

38 Sec. 121. NRS 293C.3615 is hereby amended to read as 39 follows:

40 293C.3615 The city clerk shall make a record of the receipt at 41 the central counting place of each sealed container used to transport 42 official ballots pursuant to NRS 293C.295, 293C.630 and 293C.635

43 [.] and section 94 of this act. The record must include the numbers

44 indicated on the container and its seal pursuant to NRS 293C.700.





1 **Sec. 122.** NRS 293C.365 is hereby amended to read as 2 follows:

293C.365 [Except as otherwise provided in NRS 293C.26331,
A counting board in any precinct, district or polling place in
which paper ballots are used may not begin to count the votes until
all ballots used or unused are accounted for.

7 Sec. 123. NRS 293C.390 is hereby amended to read as 8 follows:

293C.390 9 1. The voted ballots, rejected ballots, spoiled ballots, challenge lists, records printed on paper of voted ballots 10 collected pursuant to NRS 293B.400 [, reports prepared pursuant to 11 12 NRS 293C.26337] and stubs of the ballots used, enclosed and 13 sealed, must, after canvass of the votes by the governing body of the 14 city, be deposited in the vaults of the city clerk. The records of voted 15 ballots that are maintained in electronic form must, after canvass of 16 the votes by the governing body of the city, be sealed and deposited in the vaults of the city clerk. The tally lists collected pursuant to 17 this title must, after canvass of the votes by the governing body of 18 19 the city, be deposited in the vaults of the city clerk without being 20 sealed. All materials described by this subsection must be preserved 21 for at least 22 months, and all such sealed materials must be 22 destroyed immediately after that period. A notice of the destruction 23 must be published by the city clerk in at least one newspaper of 24 general circulation in the city or, if no newspaper is of general 25 circulation in that city, in a newspaper of general circulation in the 26 nearest city, not less than 2 weeks before the destruction of the 27 materials.

28 2. Unused ballots, enclosed and sealed, must, after canvass of 29 the votes by the governing body of the city, be deposited in the 30 vaults of the city clerk and preserved for at least the period during 31 which the election may be contested and adjudicated, after which 32 the unused ballots may be destroyed.

33 3. The rosters containing the signatures of those persons who 34 voted in the election and the tally lists deposited with the governing 35 body of the city are subject to the inspection of any elector who may 36 wish to examine them at any time after their deposit with the city 37 clerk.

4. A contestant of an election may inspect all of the material relating to that election which is preserved pursuant to subsection 1 or 2, except the voted ballots and records printed on paper of voted ballots collected pursuant to NRS 293B.400 which are deposited with the city clerk.

5. The voted ballots and records printed on paper of voted
ballots collected pursuant to NRS 293B.400 which are deposited
with the city clerk are not subject to the inspection of any person,





1 except in cases of a contested election, and only by the judge, body

2 or board before whom the election is being contested, or by the 3 parties to the contest, jointly, pursuant to an order of the judge, body 4 or board.

5 6. As used in this section, "vaults of the city clerk" means any 6 place of secure storage designated by the city clerk.

Sec. 124. NRS 293C.640 is hereby amended to read as 7 8 follows:

293C.640 9 1. To facilitate the processing and computation of votes cast at an election conducted under a mechanical voting 10 system, the city clerk shall create a computer program and 11 12 processing accuracy board, and may create:

13 (a) A central ballot inspection board;

14 (b) [A mail] An absent ballot inspection board;

15 (c) A ballot duplicating board;

16 (d) A ballot processing and packaging board; and

17 (e) Such additional boards or appoint such officers as the city 18 clerk deems necessary for the expeditious processing of ballots.

19 Except as otherwise provided in subsection 3, the city clerk 2. 20 may determine the number of members to constitute any board. The 21 city clerk shall make any appointments from among competent 22 persons who are registered voters in this State. The same person 23 may be appointed to more than one board but must meet the 24 qualifications for each board to which he or she is appointed.

25 If the city clerk creates a ballot duplicating board, the city 3. 26 clerk shall appoint to the board at least two members. The members 27 of the ballot duplicating board must not all be of the same political 28 party.

29 4. All persons appointed pursuant to this section serve at the 30 pleasure of the city clerk.

Sec. 125. NRS 293C.700 is hereby amended to read as 31 32 follows:

33 293C.700 1. Each container used to transport official ballots pursuant to NRS 293C.295, 293C.630 and 293C.635 and section 94 34 35 of this act must: 36

(a) Be constructed of metal or any other rigid material; and

37 (b) Contain a seal which is placed on the container to ensure 38 detection of any opening of the container.

39 2. The container and seal must be separately numbered for 40 identification.

Sec. 126. NRS 293C.720 is hereby amended to read as 41 42 follows:

43 293C.720 Each city clerk is encouraged to:

Not later than the earlier date of the first notice provided 44 45 pursuant to subsection 3 of NRS 293.560 or NRS 293C.187, notify





the public, through means designed to reach members of the public
 who are elderly or disabled, of the provisions of NRS [293C.263,]
 293C.281 and 293C.282 [-] and sections 87, 89 and 90 of this act.

4 2. Provide in alternative audio and visual formats information 5 concerning elections, information concerning how to preregister or 6 register to vote and information concerning the manner of voting for 7 use by a person who is elderly or disabled, including, without 8 providing information limitation. such through а 9 telecommunications device that is accessible to a person who is 10 deaf.

11 3. Not later than 5 working days after receiving the request of a 12 person who is elderly or disabled, provide to the person, in a format 13 that can be used by the person, any requested material that is:

14 (a) Related to elections; and

15 (b) Made available by the city clerk to the public in printed 16 form.

17 Sec. 127. NRS 293D.300 is hereby amended to read as 18 follows:

19 293D.300 1. A covered voter who is registered to vote in this 20 State may apply for a military-overseas ballot by submitting a 21 federal postcard application, as prescribed under section 101(b)(2)22 of the Uniformed and Overseas Citizens Absentee Voting Act, 52 23 U.S.C.  $\S$  20301(b)(2), or the application's electronic equivalent, if 24 the federal postcard application or the application's electronic 25 equivalent is received by the appropriate local elections official 26 before the time set pursuant to NRS 293.273 for closing the polls on 27 election day.

28 2. A covered voter who is not registered to vote in this State 29 may use the federal postcard application or the application's electronic equivalent simultaneously to apply to register to vote 30 31 pursuant to NRS 293D.230 and to apply for a military-overseas 32 ballot, if the federal postcard application or the application's 33 electronic equivalent is received by the appropriate local elections official before the time set pursuant to NRS 293.273 for closing the 34 35 polls on election day. If the federal postcard application is received after the time set for closing the polls, it must be treated as an 36 37 application to register to vote for subsequent elections.

38 3. Upon receipt of the electronic equivalent of the federal 39 postcard application pursuant to subsection 1 or 2, the local 40 elections official shall affix, mark or otherwise acknowledge receipt 41 of the application by means of a time stamp on the application.

42 4. The Secretary of State shall ensure that the system of 43 approved electronic transmission described in subsection 2 of NRS 44 293D.200 is capable of accepting the submission of:





(a) Both a federal postcard application and any other approved
 electronic military-overseas ballot application sent to the appropriate
 local elections official; and

4 (b) A digital signature or an electronic signature of a covered 5 voter on the documents described in paragraph (a).

5. A covered voter may use approved electronic transmission
or any other method approved by the Secretary of State to apply for
a military-overseas ballot.

9 A covered voter may use the declaration accompanying the 6. federal write-in absentee ballot, as prescribed under section 103 of 10 the Uniformed and Overseas Citizens Absentee Voting Act, 52 11 12 U.S.C. § 20303, as an application for a military-overseas ballot 13 simultaneously with the submission of the federal write-in absentee 14 ballot, if the declaration and the federal write-in absentee ballot are 15 received by the appropriate local elections official before the time 16 set pursuant to NRS 293.273 for closing the polls on election day.

7. To receive the benefits of this chapter, a covered voter must inform the appropriate local elections official that he or she is a covered voter. Methods of informing the appropriate local elections official that a person is a covered voter include, without limitation:

(a) The use of a federal postcard application or federal write-in
 absentee ballot;

(b) The use of an overseas address on an approved votingregistration application or ballot application; and

(c) The inclusion on an application to register to vote or an
application for a military-overseas ballot of other information
sufficient to identify that the person is a covered voter.

8. This chapter does not prohibit a covered voter from [voting a mail] applying for an absent ballot pursuant to the provisions of chapter 293 or 293C of NRS or voting in person.

Sec. 128. NRS 298.250 is hereby amended to read as follows:

2298.250 1. If a former resident of the State of Nevada otherwise qualified to vote in another state in any election for President and Vice President of the United States has commenced his or her residence in the other state after the 30th day next preceding that election and for this reason does not satisfy the requirements for registration in the other state, the former resident may vote for President and Vice President only in that election:

(a) In person in the county of the State of Nevada which was his
or her former residence, if the former resident is otherwise qualified
to vote there; or

42 (b) By [mail] *absent* ballot in the county of the State of Nevada 43 which was his or her former residence, if the former resident is 44 otherwise qualified to vote there and complies with the applicable



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2. The Secretary of State may, in a manner consistent with the

requirements of [NRS 293.269911 to 293.269937.] sections 8 to 23.

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inclusive [.], of this act.

4 election laws of this State, adopt regulations to effectuate the 5 purposes of this section. 6 **Sec. 129.** NRS 298.600 is hereby amended to read as follows: 7 298.600 As used in NRS 298.600 to 298.720, inclusive, the 8 words and terms defined in NRS [298.610,] 298.620 and 298.630 9 have the meanings ascribed to them in those sections. 10 Sec. 130. NRS 298.690 is hereby amended to read as follows: 11 298.690 1. In conducting a presidential preference primary 12 election, the county clerk shall: 13 (a) Distribute sample ballots for the presidential preference 14 primary election: 15 (b) Establish polling places for early voting by personal 16 appearance; 17 (c) Permit voting by registered voters of the major political party by [mail] absent ballot, [and] military-overseas ballot in the manner 18 and within the time required by chapters 293 and 293D of NRS; and 19 20 (d) Establish polling places for the day of the presidential 21 preference primary election. The provisions of NRS 293.273 apply 22 to the presidential preference primary election. 23 A registered voter who is entitled to cast a ballot at the 2. 24 presidential preference primary election may do so at any polling 25 place in the county. 26 **Sec. 131.** NRS 483.820 is hereby amended to read as follows: 27 483.820 1. A person who applies for an identification card in 28 accordance with the provisions of NRS 483.810 to 483.890, 29 inclusive, and who is not ineligible to receive an identification card 30 pursuant to NRS 483.861, is entitled to receive an identification card 31 if the person is: 32 (a) A resident of this State and is 10 years of age or older and 33 does not hold a valid driver's license or identification card from any 34 state or jurisdiction; or 35 (b) A seasonal resident who does not hold a valid Nevada 36 driver's license. 37 2. Except as otherwise provided in NRS 483.825 [] and 38 section 30 of this act, the Department shall charge and collect the 39 following fees for the issuance of an original, duplicate or changed 40 identification card: 41 42 An original or duplicate identification card issued to a person 65 years of age or older 43 44 which expires on or before the fourth 45 A B 2 2 8 \*

1	An original or duplicate identification card
2	issued to a person 65 years of age or older
3	which expires on or before the eighth
4	anniversary of the person's birthday
5	An original or duplicate identification card
6	issued to a person under 18 years of age
7	which expires on the eighth anniversary of
8	the person's birthday
9	A renewal of an identification card for a person
10	under 18 years of age which expires on the
11	eighth anniversary of the person's birthday
12	An original or duplicate identification card
13	issued to a person under 18 years of age
14	which expires on or before the fourth
15	anniversary of the person's birthday
16	A renewal of an identification card for a person
17	under 18 years of age which expires on or
18	before the fourth anniversary of the person's
19	birthday
20	An original or duplicate identification card
21	issued to any person at least 18 years of age,
22	but less than 65 years of age, which expires
23	on the eighth anniversary of the person's
24	birthday
25	A renewal of an identification card for any
26	person at least 18 years of age, but less than
27	65 years of age, which expires on the eighth
28	anniversary of the person's birthday
29	An original or duplicate identification card
30	issued to any person at least 18 years of age,
31	but less than 65 years of age, which expires
32	on or before the fourth anniversary of the
33	person's birthday9
34	A renewal of an identification card for any
35	person at least 18 years of age, but less than
36	65 years of age, which expires on or before
37	the fourth anniversary of the person's
38	birthday9
39	A new photograph or change of name, or both
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41	3. The Department shall not charge a fee for:
42	(a) An identification card issued to a person who has voluntarily
43	surrendered his or her driver's license pursuant to NRS 483.420; or
44	(b) A renewal of an identification card for a person 65 years of
45	age or older.





1 4. Except as otherwise provided in NRS 483.825 [,] and 2 section 30 of this act, the increase in fees authorized in NRS 3 483.347 must be paid in addition to the fees charged pursuant to this 4 section.

5 5. As used in this section, "photograph" has the meaning 6 ascribed to it in NRS 483.125.

7 Sec. 132. NRS 293.0653. 293.269911, 293.269913. 293.269915, 293.269917, 293.269919, 293.269921, 293.269923, 8 293.269925, 293.269927, 293.269929, 293.269931, 293.269933, 9 10 293.269935, 293.269937, 293C.263, 293C.26312, 293C.26314, 293C.26316, 293C.26318, 293C.26321, 293C.26323, 293C.26325, 11 293C.26327, 293C.26329, 293C.26331, 293C.26333, 293C.26335, 12 293C.26337 and 298.610 are hereby repealed. 13

14 Sec. 133. 1. This section becomes effective upon passage 15 and approval.

16 2. Sections 1 to 132, inclusive, of this act become effective:

17 (a) Upon passage and approval for the purpose of adopting any 18 regulations and performing any other preparatory administrative 19 tasks; and

20 (b) On January 1, 2026, for all other purposes.

## LEADLINES OF REPEALED SECTIONS

## 293.0653 "Mail ballot" defined.

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293.269917 Procedure for voting by mail ballot; procedure for voting in person after mail ballot sent to voter.

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293.269923 Persons authorized to return mail ballot, unlawful acts relating to return of mail ballot; penalty.

293.269925 Establishment of procedures for processing and counting mail ballots.

293.269927 Duties of county clerk upon return of mail ballot: Procedure for checking signatures; safeguarding and delivery of mail ballots for counting; procedure to contact voter to remedy certain defects in returned mail ballot.

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293.269931 Period for counting mail ballots; counting must be public; rejection of certain mail ballots.

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293.269935 Certification and reporting of mail ballot results; secrecy of mail ballots; unlawful to disseminate information about mail ballot results before polls close and all votes cast on election day; penalty.

293.269937 County clerk to test accuracy of electronic devices used to verify signatures on mail ballots; daily audit required during processing of mail ballots.

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