

ASSEMBLY BILL NO. 529—COMMITTEE ON ELECTIONS,  
PROCEDURES, AND ETHICS

(ON BEHALF OF THE SECRETARY OF STATE)

MARCH 24, 2003

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Referred to Committee on Elections, Procedures, and Ethics

SUMMARY—Makes various changes concerning reporting of  
campaign contributions and expenditures.  
(BDR 24-558)

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

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

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AN ACT relating to elections; revising the requirements for the form used for reporting campaign contributions and expenditures; eliminating the requirement to report campaign expenses and expenditures that have been contracted for but not paid during a reporting period; eliminating the requirement to report campaign contributions of \$100 or less under certain circumstances; revising the dates for filing reports for campaign contributions and expenditures; revising the reporting periods included in those reports; requiring certain candidates for public office and public officers to file statements of financial disclosure with the Secretary of State instead of the Commission on Ethics; providing a civil penalty; and providing other matters properly relating thereto.

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



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

3     1. *The Secretary of State shall design a single form to be used*  
4 *for all reports of campaign contributions and expenses or*  
5 *expenditures that are required to be filed pursuant to NRS*  
6 *294A.120, 294A.125, 294A.140, 294A.150, 294A.200, 294A.210,*  
7 *294A.220, 294A.270, 294A.280, 294A.360 and 294A.362. Upon*  
8 *request, the Secretary of State shall provide a copy of the form to*  
9 *each person, committee, political party and group that is required*  
10 *to file such reports.*

11     2. *The form designed pursuant to subsection 1 must include a*  
12 *space for each person, committee, political party or group*  
13 *completing the form to list:*

14         (a) *The amount of cash on hand at the beginning of the*  
15 *reporting period;*

16         (b) *The amount of cash on hand at the beginning of the*  
17 *reporting year;*

18         (c) *The amount of cash on hand at the end of the reporting*  
19 *period;*

20         (d) *The amount of cash on hand at the end of the reporting*  
21 *year;*

22         (e) *A summary of the contributions received and the expenses*  
23 *or expenditures made by the person, committee, political party or*  
24 *group during only the current reporting period;*

25         (f) *A summary of the contributions received and the expenses*  
26 *or expenditures made by the person, committee, political party or*  
27 *group during the reporting year, including the current and each*  
28 *previous reporting period during the reporting year;*

29         (g) *Each campaign contribution in excess of \$100 as it is*  
30 *received by the person, committee, political party or group during*  
31 *the reporting period and each contribution from a contributor*  
32 *which cumulatively exceeds \$100 as it is received by the person,*  
33 *committee, political party or group during the reporting period;*  
34 *and*

35         (h) *Each campaign expense or expenditure in excess of \$100*  
36 *as it is made by the person, committee, political party or group*  
37 *during the reporting period.*

38     **Secs. 2 and 3.** (Deleted by amendment.)

39     **Sec. 3.5.** NRS 294A.004 is hereby amended to read as  
40 follows:

41     294A.004 "Campaign expenses" and "expenditures" mean:

42         1. Those expenditures ~~contracted for or~~ made for advertising  
43 on television, radio, billboards, posters and in newspapers; and

44         2. All other expenditures ~~contracted for or~~ made,



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1 to advocate expressly the election or defeat of a clearly identified  
2 candidate or group of candidates or the passage or defeat of a clearly  
3 identified question or group of questions on the ballot, including any  
4 payments made to a candidate or any person who is related to the  
5 candidate within the second degree of consanguinity or affinity.

6 **Sec. 4.** NRS 294A.120 is hereby amended to read as follows:

7 294A.120 1. Every candidate for state, district, county or  
8 township office at a primary or general election shall, not later *than*  
9 *January 15 of each year, for the period from January 1 of the*  
10 *previous year through December 31 of the previous year, report*  
11 *each campaign contribution in excess of \$100 he received during*  
12 *the period and contributions received during the period from a*  
13 *contributor which cumulatively exceed \$100. The provisions of*  
14 *this subsection apply to the candidate beginning the year of the*  
15 *general election for that office through the year immediately*  
16 *preceding the next general election for that office.*

17 2. Every candidate for state, district, county or township  
18 office at a primary or general election shall, if the general election  
19 for the office for which he is a candidate is held on or after  
20 January 1 and before the July 1 immediately following that  
21 January 1, not later than:

22 (a) Seven days before the primary election ~~[,] for that office,~~ for  
23 the period from ~~[30 days before the regular session of the~~  
24 ~~Legislature after the last election for that office up to]~~ *the January 1*  
25 *immediately preceding the primary election through* 12 days  
26 before the primary election;

27 (b) Seven days before the general election ~~[, whether or not the~~  
28 ~~candidate won the primary election,]~~ *for that office,* for the period  
29 from ~~[12]~~ *11* days before the primary election ~~[up to]~~ *through* 12  
30 days before the general election; and

31 (c) ~~[The 15th day of the second month after the general election,~~  
32 ~~for the remaining period up to 30 days before the next regular~~  
33 ~~session of the Legislature,~~  
34 ~~list each of the campaign contributions that]~~ *July 15 of the year of*  
35 *the general election for that office, for the period from 11 days*  
36 *before the general election through June 30 of that year,*  
37 *report each campaign contribution in excess of \$100* he receives  
38 during the period *and contributions received during the period*  
39 *from a contributor which cumulatively exceed \$100. The report*  
40 *must be completed on* ~~[forms]~~ *the form* designed and provided by  
41 the Secretary of State pursuant to *section 1 of* this ~~[section and NRS~~  
42 ~~294A.362.]~~ *act.* Each form must be signed by the candidate under  
43 penalty of perjury.



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1 ~~[2.]~~ 3. Every candidate for state, district, county or township  
2 office at a primary or general election shall, if the general election  
3 for the office for which he is a candidate is held on or after July 1  
4 and before the January 1 immediately following that July 1, not  
5 later than:

6 (a) Seven days before the primary election for that office, for  
7 the period from the January 1 immediately preceding the primary  
8 election through 12 days before the primary election; and

9 (b) Seven days before the general election for that office, for  
10 the period from 11 days before the primary election through 12  
11 days before the general election,

12 report each campaign contribution in excess of \$100 he received  
13 during the period and contributions received during the period  
14 from a contributor which cumulatively exceed \$100. The report  
15 must be completed on the form designed and provided by the  
16 Secretary of State pursuant to section 1 of this act. Each form  
17 must be signed by the candidate under penalty of perjury.

18 4. Except as otherwise provided in subsection ~~[3.]~~ 5, every  
19 candidate for a district office at a special election shall, not later  
20 than:

21 (a) Seven days before the special election, for the period from  
22 his nomination ~~[up to]~~ through 12 days before the special election;  
23 and

24 (b) Thirty days after the special election, for the remaining  
25 period ~~[up to]~~ through the special election,

26 ~~[list each of the campaign contributions that he receives]~~ report  
27 each campaign contribution in excess of \$100 he received during  
28 the period and contributions received during the reporting period  
29 from a contributor which cumulatively exceed \$100. The report  
30 must be completed on ~~[forms]~~ the form designed and provided by  
31 the Secretary of State pursuant to section 1 of this ~~[section and NRS~~  
32 ~~294A.362.]~~ act. Each form must be signed by the candidate under  
33 penalty of perjury.

34 ~~[3.]~~ 5. Every candidate for state, district, county, municipal or  
35 township office at a special election to determine whether a public  
36 officer will be recalled shall list each of the campaign contributions  
37 that he receives on ~~[forms]~~ the form designed and provided by the  
38 Secretary of State pursuant to section 1 of this ~~[section and NRS~~  
39 ~~294A.362.]~~ act, and signed by the candidate under penalty of  
40 perjury, 30 days after:

41 (a) The special election, for the period from the filing of the  
42 notice of intent to circulate the petition for recall ~~[up to]~~ through the  
43 special election; or



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1 (b) A district court determines that the petition for recall is  
2 legally insufficient pursuant to subsection 5 of NRS 306.040, for the  
3 period from the filing of the notice of intent to circulate the petition  
4 for recall ~~up to~~ *through* the date of the district court's decision.

5 ~~[4.]~~ 6. Reports of campaign contributions must be filed with  
6 the officer with whom the candidate filed the declaration of  
7 candidacy or acceptance of candidacy. A candidate may mail *or*  
8 *transmit* the report to that officer by *regular mail*, certified mail ~~[. If~~  
9 ~~certified mail is used, the date of mailing]~~, *facsimile machine or*  
10 *electronic means. A report* shall be deemed ~~[the date of filing.~~  
11 ~~—5.] to be filed with the officer:~~

12 (a) *On the date that it was mailed if it was sent by certified*  
13 *mail; or*

14 (b) *On the date that it was received by the officer if the report*  
15 *was sent by regular mail, transmitted by facsimile machine or*  
16 *electronic means, or delivered personally.*

17 7. Every county clerk who receives from candidates for  
18 legislative or judicial office, except the office of justice of the peace  
19 or municipal judge, reports of campaign contributions pursuant to  
20 ~~[subsection 4]~~ *this section* shall file a copy of each report with the  
21 Secretary of State within 10 working days after he receives the  
22 report.

23 ~~[6.]~~ 8. The name and address of the contributor and the date on  
24 which the contribution was received must be included on the ~~[list]~~  
25 *report* for each contribution in excess of \$100 and contributions  
26 which a contributor has made cumulatively in excess of that amount  
27 since the beginning of the ~~[first]~~ *current* reporting period.

28 ~~[7. The form designed and provided by the Secretary of State~~  
29 ~~for the reporting of contributions pursuant to this section must be~~  
30 ~~designed to be used by a candidate to record in the form of a list~~  
31 ~~each campaign contribution as he receives it.]~~

32 **Sec. 4.5.** NRS 294A.125 is hereby amended to read as  
33 follows:

34 294A.125 1. In addition to complying with the requirements  
35 set forth in NRS 294A.120, 294A.200 and 294A.360, a candidate  
36 who receives contributions in any year before the year in which the  
37 general election or general city election in which the candidate  
38 intends to seek election to public office is held, shall, for:

39 (a) The year in which he receives contributions in excess of  
40 \$10,000, list each of the contributions that he receives and the  
41 expenditures in excess of \$100 made in that year.

42 (b) Each year after the year in which he received contributions  
43 in excess of \$10,000, until the year of the general election or general  
44 city election in which the candidate intends to seek election to



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1 public office is held, list each of the contributions that he received  
2 and the expenditures in excess of \$100 made in that year.

3 2. The reports required by subsection 1 must be submitted on  
4 ~~{forms}~~ *the form* designed and provided by the Secretary of State  
5 pursuant to ~~{this section and NRS 294A.362.}~~ *section 1 of this act.*

6 Each form must be signed by the candidate under penalty of perjury.

7 3. The name and address of the contributor and the date on  
8 which the contribution was received must be included on the list for  
9 each contribution in excess of \$100 and contributions that a  
10 contributor has made cumulatively in excess of that amount.

11 4. ~~{The forms designed and provided by the Secretary of State  
12 for the reporting of contributions and expenditures pursuant to this  
13 section must be designed to be used by a candidate to record in the  
14 form of a list each campaign contribution as he receives it and each  
15 expenditure as it is made.~~

16 ~~—5.}~~ The report must be filed:

17 (a) With the officer with whom the candidate will file the  
18 declaration of candidacy or acceptance of candidacy for the public  
19 office the candidate intends to seek. A candidate may mail *or*  
20 *transmit* the report to that officer by *regular mail*, certified mail ~~{. If~~  
21 ~~certified mail is used, the date of mailing}~~, *facsimile machine or*  
22 *electronic means. A report* shall be deemed ~~{the date of filing.}~~ *to*  
23 *be filed with the officer:*

24 (1) *On the date it was mailed if it was sent by certified mail.*

25 (2) *On the date it was received by the officer if the report*  
26 *was sent by regular mail, transmitted by facsimile machine or*  
27 *electronic means, or delivered personally.*

28 (b) On or before January 15 of the year immediately after the  
29 year for which the report is made.

30 ~~{6.}~~ 5. A county clerk who receives from a candidate for  
31 legislative or judicial office, except the office of justice of the peace  
32 or municipal judge, a report of contributions and expenditures  
33 pursuant to subsection 5 shall file a copy of the report with the  
34 Secretary of State within 10 working days after he receives the  
35 report.

36 **Sec. 5.** NRS 294A.140 is hereby amended to read as follows:

37 294A.140 1. Every person who is not under the direction or  
38 control of a candidate *for office at a primary election, primary city*  
39 *election, general election or general city election, of a* group of  
40 *such* candidates or of any person involved in the campaign of that  
41 candidate or group who makes an expenditure on behalf of the  
42 candidate or group which is not solicited or approved by  
43 the candidate or group, and every committee for political action,  
44 political party and committee sponsored by a political party which



1 makes an expenditure on behalf of *such* a candidate or group of  
2 candidates shall, not later *than January 15 of each year that the*  
3 *provisions of this subsection apply to the person, committee or*  
4 *political party, for the period from January 1 of the previous year*  
5 *through December 31 of the previous year, report each campaign*  
6 *contribution in excess of \$100 he or it received during the period*  
7 *and contributions received during the period from a contributor*  
8 *which cumulatively exceed \$100. The provisions of this subsection*  
9 *apply to the person, committee or political party beginning the*  
10 *year of the general election or general city election for that office*  
11 *through the year immediately preceding the next general election*  
12 *or general city election for that office.*

13 2. Every person, committee or political party described in  
14 subsection 1 which makes an expenditure on behalf of the  
15 candidate for office at a primary election, primary city election,  
16 general election or general city election or on behalf of a group of  
17 such candidates shall, if the general election or general city  
18 election for the office for which the candidate or a candidate in  
19 the group of candidates seeks election is held on or after  
20 January 1 and before the July 1 immediately following that  
21 January 1, not later than:

22 (a) Seven days before ~~[a]~~ *the* primary election or primary city  
23 election ~~[.] for that office,~~ for the period from ~~[30 days after the last~~  
24 ~~election for that office to]~~ *the January 1 immediately preceding the*  
25 *primary election or primary city election through* 12 days before  
26 the primary election or primary city election;

27 (b) Seven days before ~~[a]~~ *the* general election or general city  
28 election ~~[, whether or not the candidate won the primary election or~~  
29 ~~primary city election,]~~ *for that office,* for the period from ~~[12]~~ *11*  
30 days before the primary election or primary city election ~~[to]~~  
31 *through* 12 days before the general election or general city election;  
32 and

33 (c) ~~[The 15th day of the second month after the general election~~  
34 ~~or general city election, for the remaining period up to 30 days after~~  
35 ~~the general election or general city election,~~  
36 ~~list each of the contributions]~~ *July 15 of the year of the general*  
37 *election or general city election for that office, for the period from*  
38 *11 days before the general election or general city election*  
39 *through June 30 of that year,*  
40 *report each campaign contribution in excess of \$100 received*  
41 *during the period and contributions received during the period*  
42 *from a contributor which cumulatively exceed \$100. The report*  
43 *must be completed* on the form designed and provided by the  
44 Secretary of State ~~[and shall sign the report]~~ *pursuant to section 1*





1 *of this act. The form must be signed by the person or a*  
2 *representative of the committee or political party* under penalty of  
3 perjury.

4 ~~[2.] 3.~~ The name and address of the contributor and the date on  
5 which the contribution was received must be included on the ~~[list]~~  
6 *report* for each contribution in excess of \$100 and contributions  
7 which a contributor has made cumulatively in excess of \$100 since  
8 the beginning of the ~~[first]~~ *current* reporting period. ~~[The form~~  
9 ~~designed and provided by the Secretary of State for the reporting of~~  
10 ~~contributions pursuant to this section must be designed to be used~~  
11 ~~by the person, committee for political action, political party or~~  
12 ~~committee sponsored by a political party to record in the form of a~~  
13 ~~list each contribution as it is received.~~

14 ~~—3. If the candidate is elected from one county, the reports must~~  
15 ~~be filed with the county clerk of that county. If the candidate is~~  
16 ~~elected from one city, the reports must be filed with the city clerk of~~  
17 ~~that city. For all other candidates, the]~~

18 *4. Every person, committee or political party described in*  
19 *subsection 1 which makes an expenditure on behalf of a candidate*  
20 *for office at a primary election, primary city election, general*  
21 *election or general city election or on behalf of a group of such*  
22 *candidates shall, if the general election or general city election for*  
23 *the office for which the candidate or a candidate in the group of*  
24 *candidates seeks election is held on or after July 1 and before the*  
25 *January 1 immediately following that July 1, not later than:*

26 *(a) Seven days before the primary election or primary city*  
27 *election for that office, for the period from the January 1*  
28 *immediately preceding the primary election or primary city*  
29 *election through 12 days before the primary election or primary*  
30 *city election; and*

31 *(b) Seven days before the general election or general city*  
32 *election for that office, for the period from 11 days before the*  
33 *primary election or primary city election through 12 days before*  
34 *the general election or general city election,*  
35 *report each campaign contribution in excess of \$100 received*  
36 *during the period and contributions received during the period*  
37 *from a contributor which cumulatively exceed \$100. The report*  
38 *must be completed on the form designed and provided by the*  
39 *Secretary of State pursuant to section 1 of this act. The form must*  
40 *be signed by the person or a representative of the committee or*  
41 *political party under penalty of perjury.*

42 *5. Except as otherwise provided in subsection 6, every person,*  
43 *committee or political party described in subsection 1 which makes*  
44 *an expenditure on behalf of a candidate for office at a special*





1 *election or on behalf of a group of such candidates shall, not later*  
2 *than:*

3 *(a) Seven days before the special election for the office for*  
4 *which the candidate or a candidate in the group of candidates*  
5 *seeks election, for the period from the nomination of the candidate*  
6 *through 12 days before the special election; and*

7 *(b) Thirty days after the special election, for the remaining*  
8 *period through the special election,*  
9 *report each campaign contribution in excess of \$100 received*  
10 *during the period and contributions received during the period*  
11 *from a contributor which cumulatively exceed \$100. The report*  
12 *must be completed on the form designed and provided by the*  
13 *Secretary of State pursuant to section 1 of this act. The form must*  
14 *be signed by the person or a representative of the committee or*  
15 *political party under penalty of perjury.*

16 *6. Every person, committee or political party described in*  
17 *subsection 1 which makes an expenditure on behalf of a candidate*  
18 *for office at a special election to determine whether a public*  
19 *officer will be recalled or on behalf of a group of candidates for*  
20 *offices at such special elections shall report each contribution in*  
21 *excess of \$100 received during the period and contributions*  
22 *received during the period from a contributor which cumulatively*  
23 *exceed \$100. The report must be completed on the form designed*  
24 *and provided by the Secretary of State pursuant to section 1 of this*  
25 *act and signed by the person or a representative of the committee*  
26 *or political party under penalty of perjury, 30 days after:*

27 *(a) The special election, for the period from the filing of the*  
28 *notice of intent to circulate the petition for recall through the*  
29 *special election; or*

30 *(b) If the special election is not held because a district court*  
31 *determines that the petition for recall is legally insufficient*  
32 *pursuant to subsection 5 of NRS 306.040, for the period from the*  
33 *filing of the notice of intent to circulate the petition for recall*  
34 *through the date of the district court's decision.*

35 *7. The reports of contributions required pursuant to this*  
36 *section must be filed with :*

37 *(a) If the candidate is elected from one county, the county*  
38 *clerk of that county;*

39 *(b) If the candidate is elected from one city, the city clerk of*  
40 *that city; or*

41 *(c) If the candidate is elected from more than one county or*  
42 *city, the Secretary of State.*

43 *8. A person or entity may file the report with the appropriate*  
44 *officer by regular mail, certified mail ~~[- If certified mail is used, the~~*



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1 ~~date of mailing~~ , facsimile machine or electronic means. A report  
2 shall be deemed ~~the date of filing.~~  
3 ~~—4.~~ to be filed with the officer:

4 (a) On the date that it was mailed if it was sent by certified  
5 mail; or

6 (b) On the date that it was received by the officer if the report  
7 was sent by regular mail, transmitted by facsimile machine or  
8 electronic means, or delivered personally.

9 9. Each county clerk or city clerk who receives a report  
10 pursuant to ~~subsection 3~~ this section shall file a copy of the report  
11 with the Secretary of State within 10 working days after he receives  
12 the report.

13 10. Every person, committee or political party described in  
14 subsection 1 shall file a report required by this section even if he  
15 or it receives no contributions.

16 Sec. 6. NRS 294A.150 is hereby amended to read as follows:

17 294A.150 1. Every person or group of persons organized  
18 formally or informally who advocates the passage or defeat of a  
19 question or group of questions on the ballot at ~~any election~~  
20 ~~including any recall or special~~ a primary election , primary city  
21 election, general election or general city election, shall, not later  
22 than January 15 of each year that the provisions of this subsection  
23 apply to the person or group of persons, for the period from  
24 January 1 of the previous year through December 31 of the  
25 previous year, report each campaign contribution in excess of  
26 \$100 received during that period and contributions received  
27 during the period from a contributor which cumulatively exceed  
28 \$100. The report must be completed on the form designed and  
29 provided by the Secretary of State pursuant to section 1 of this act.  
30 The form must be signed by the person or a representative of the  
31 group under penalty of perjury. The provisions of this subsection  
32 apply to the person or group of persons:

33 (a) Each year in which an election or city election is held for  
34 each question for which the person or group advocates passage or  
35 defeat; and

36 (b) The year after each year described in paragraph (a).

37 2. If a question is on the ballot at a primary election or  
38 primary city election and the general election or general city  
39 election immediately following that primary election or primary  
40 city election is held on or after January 1 and before the July 1  
41 immediately following that January 1, every person or group of  
42 persons organized formally or informally who advocates the  
43 passage or defeat of the question or a group of questions that  
44 includes the question shall comply with the requirements of this



1 *subsection. If a question is on the ballot at a general election or*  
2 *general city election held on or after January 1 and before the*  
3 *July 1 immediately following that January 1, every person or*  
4 *group of persons organized formally or informally who advocates*  
5 *the passage or defeat of the question or a group of questions that*  
6 *includes the question shall comply with the requirements of this*  
7 *subsection. A person or group of persons described in this*  
8 *subsection shall, not later than:*

9 (a) Seven days before ~~[a]~~ *the* primary election or primary city  
10 election, for the period from ~~[30 days after the last general election~~  
11 ~~to]~~ *the January 1 immediately preceding the primary election or*  
12 *primary city election through* 12 days before the primary election  
13 or primary city election;

14 (b) Seven days before ~~[a]~~ *the* general election or general city  
15 election, for the period from ~~[12]~~ *11* days before the primary  
16 election or primary city election ~~[to]~~ *through* 12 days before the  
17 general election or general city election; and

18 (c) ~~[The 15th day of the second month after the general election~~  
19 ~~or general city election, for the remaining period up to 30 days after~~  
20 ~~the general election or general city election,~~  
21 ~~list each of the contributions]~~ *July 15 of the year of the general*  
22 *election or general city election, for the period from 11 days before*  
23 *the general election or general city election through June 30 of*  
24 *that year,*

25 *report each campaign contribution in excess of \$100* received  
26 during the period *and contributions received during the period*  
27 *from a contributor which cumulatively exceed \$100. The report*  
28 *must be completed* on the form designed and provided by the  
29 Secretary of State *pursuant to section 1 of this act* and signed by  
30 the person or a representative of the group under penalty of perjury.

31 ~~[2.]~~ 3. The name and address of the ~~[contribution]~~ *contributor*  
32 and the date on which the contribution was received must be  
33 included on the ~~[list]~~ *report* for each contribution in excess of \$100  
34 and contributions which a contributor has made cumulatively in  
35 excess of that amount since the beginning of the ~~[first reporting. The~~  
36 ~~form designed and provided by the Secretary of State for the~~  
37 ~~reporting of contributions pursuant to this section must be designed~~  
38 ~~to be used to record in the form of a list each contribution as it is~~  
39 ~~received.~~

40 ~~—3.— If the question is submitted to the voters of only one county,~~  
41 ~~the reports must be filed with the county clerk of that county. If the~~  
42 ~~question is submitted to the voters of only one city, the reports must~~  
43 ~~be filed with the city clerk of that city. Otherwise, the]~~ *current*  
44 *reporting period.*



1     4. *If a question is on the ballot at a primary election or*  
2 *primary city election and the general election or general city*  
3 *election immediately following that primary election or primary*  
4 *city election is held on or after July 1 and before the January 1*  
5 *immediately following that July 1, every person or group of*  
6 *persons organized formally or informally who advocates the*  
7 *passage or defeat of the question or a group of questions that*  
8 *includes the question shall comply with the requirements of this*  
9 *subsection. If a question is on the ballot at a general election or*  
10 *general city election held on or after July 1 and before the*  
11 *January 1 immediately following that July 1, every person or*  
12 *group of persons organized formally or informally who advocates*  
13 *the passage or defeat of the question or a group of questions that*  
14 *includes the question shall comply with the requirements of this*  
15 *subsection. A person or group of persons described in this*  
16 *subsection shall, not later than:*

17     (a) *Seven days before the primary election or primary city*  
18 *election, for the period from the January 1 immediately preceding*  
19 *the primary election or primary city election through 12 days*  
20 *before the primary election or primary city election; and*

21     (b) *Seven days before the general election or general city*  
22 *election, for the period from 11 days before the primary election or*  
23 *primary city election through 12 days before the general election*  
24 *or general city election,*  
25 *report each campaign contribution in excess of \$100 received*  
26 *during the period and contributions received during the period*  
27 *from a contributor which cumulatively exceed \$100. The report*  
28 *must be completed on the form designed and provided by the*  
29 *Secretary of State pursuant to section 1 of this act. The form must*  
30 *be signed by the person or a representative of the group under*  
31 *penalty of perjury.*

32     5. *Except as otherwise provided in subsection 6, every person*  
33 *or group of persons organized formally or informally who*  
34 *advocates the passage or defeat of a question or group of*  
35 *questions on the ballot at a special election shall, not later than:*

36     (a) *Seven days before the special election, for the period from*  
37 *the date that the question qualified for the ballot through 12 days*  
38 *before the special election; and*

39     (b) *Thirty days after the special election, for the remaining*  
40 *period through the special election,*  
41 *report each campaign contribution in excess of \$100 received*  
42 *during the period and contributions received during the period*  
43 *from a contributor which cumulatively exceed \$100. The report*  
44 *must be completed on the form designed and provided by the*



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1 *Secretary of State pursuant to section 1 of this act. The form must*  
2 *be signed by the person or a representative of the group under*  
3 *penalty of perjury.*

4 *6. Every person or group of persons organized formally or*  
5 *informally who advocates the passage or defeat of a question or*  
6 *group of questions on the ballot at a special election to determine*  
7 *whether a public officer will be recalled shall report each of the*  
8 *contributions received on the form designed and provided by the*  
9 *Secretary of State pursuant to section 1 of this act and signed by*  
10 *the person or a representative of the group under penalty of*  
11 *perjury, 30 days after:*

12 *(a) The special election, for the period from the filing of the*  
13 *notice of intent to circulate the petition for recall through the*  
14 *special election; or*

15 *(b) If the special election is not held because a district court*  
16 *determines that the petition for recall is legally insufficient*  
17 *pursuant to subsection 5 of NRS 306.040, for the period from the*  
18 *filing of the notice of intent to circulate the petition for recall*  
19 *through the date of the district court's decision.*

20 *7. The reports required pursuant to this section must be filed*  
21 *with :*

22 *(a) If the question is submitted to the voters of one county, the*  
23 *county clerk of that county;*

24 *(b) If the question is submitted to the voters of one city, the city*  
25 *clerk of that city; or*

26 *(c) If the question is submitted to the voters of more than one*  
27 *county or city, the Secretary of State.*

28 *8. A person may mail or transmit his report to the appropriate*  
29 *officer by regular mail, certified mail, facsimile machine or*  
30 *electronic means. A report shall be deemed to be filed with the*  
31 *officer:*

32 *(a) On the date that it was mailed if it was sent by certified*  
33 *mail; or*

34 *(b) On the date that it was received by the officer if the report*  
35 *was sent by regular mail, transmitted by facsimile machine or*  
36 *electronic means, or delivered personally.*

37 *9. If the person or group of persons is advocating passage or*  
38 *defeat of a group of questions, the reports ~~{must be made to the~~*  
39 *~~officer appropriate for each question and}~~ must be itemized by*  
40 *question.*

41 ~~{4.}~~ *10. Each county clerk or city clerk who receives a report*  
42 *pursuant to ~~{subsection 3}~~ this section shall file a copy of the report*  
43 *with the Secretary of State within 10 working days after he receives*  
44 *the report.*



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1     **Sec. 7.** NRS 294A.160 is hereby amended to read as follows:  
2     294A.160 1. It is unlawful for a candidate to spend money  
3 received as a campaign contribution for his personal use.

4     2. Every candidate for a state, district, county, city or township  
5 office at a primary, general, primary city, general city or special  
6 election who is elected to that office and received contributions that  
7 were not spent or committed for expenditure before the primary,  
8 general, primary city, general city or special election shall:  
9     (a) Return the unspent money to contributors;  
10    (b) Use the money in his next election or for the payment of  
11 other expenses related to public office or his campaign ~~to~~ ,  
12 *regardless of whether he is a candidate for a different office in his*  
13 *next election;*

14    (c) Contribute the money to:  
15       (1) The campaigns of other candidates for public office or for  
16 the payment of debts related to their campaigns;

17       (2) A political party;

18       (3) A person or group of persons advocating the passage or  
19 defeat of a question or group of questions on the ballot; or

20       (4) Any combination of persons or groups set forth in  
21 subparagraphs (1), (2) and (3);

22    (d) Donate the money to any tax-exempt nonprofit entity; or

23    (e) Dispose of the money in any combination of the methods  
24 provided in paragraphs (a) to (d), inclusive.

25    3. Every candidate for a state, district, county, city or township  
26 office at a primary, general, primary city, general city or special  
27 election who is not elected to that office and received contributions  
28 that were not spent or committed for expenditure before the primary,  
29 general, primary city, general city or special election shall, not later  
30 than the 15th day of the second month after his defeat:

31    (a) Return the unspent money to contributors;

32    (b) Contribute the money to:

33       (1) The campaigns of other candidates for public office or for  
34 the payment of debts related to their campaigns;

35       (2) A political party;

36       (3) A person or group of persons advocating the passage or  
37 defeat of a question or group of questions on the ballot; or

38       (4) Any combination of persons or groups set forth in  
39 subparagraphs (1), (2) and (3);

40    (c) Donate the money to any tax-exempt nonprofit entity; or

41    (d) Dispose of the money in any combination of the methods  
42 provided in paragraphs (a), (b) and (c).

43    4. Every candidate for a state, district, county, city or township  
44 office who is defeated at a primary or primary city election and



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1 received a contribution from a person in excess of \$5,000 shall, not  
2 later than the 15th day of the second month after his defeat, return  
3 any money in excess of \$5,000 to the contributor.

4 5. Every public officer who:

5 (a) Holds a state, district, county, city or township office;

6 (b) Does not run for reelection and is not a candidate for any  
7 other office; and

8 (c) Has contributions that are not spent or committed for  
9 expenditure remaining from a previous election,

10 shall, not later than the 15th day of the second month after the  
11 expiration of his term of office, dispose of those contributions in the  
12 manner provided in subsection 3.

13 6. In addition to the methods for disposing the unspent money  
14 set forth in subsections 2, 3 and 4, a Legislator may donate not more  
15 than \$500 of that money to the Nevada Silver Haired Legislative  
16 Forum created pursuant to NRS 427A.320.

17 7. *Any contributions received before a candidate for a state,  
18 district, county, city or township office at a primary, general,  
19 primary city, general city or special election dies that were not  
20 spent or committed for expenditure before the death of the  
21 candidate must be disposed of in the manner provided in  
22 subsection 3.*

23 8. The court shall, in addition to any penalty which may be  
24 imposed pursuant to NRS 294A.420, order the candidate or public  
25 officer to dispose of any remaining contributions in the manner  
26 provided in this section.

27 ~~[8.]~~ 9. As used in this section, "contributions" include any  
28 interest and other income earned thereon.

29 **Sec. 8.** NRS 294A.200 is hereby amended to read as follows:

30 294A.200 1. Every candidate for state, district, county or  
31 township office at a primary or general election shall, not later *than*  
32 *January 15 of each year, for the period from January 1 of the*  
33 *previous year through December 31 of the previous year, report*  
34 *each of the campaign expenses in excess of \$100 that he incurs*  
35 *and each amount in excess of \$100 that he disposes of pursuant to*  
36 *NRS 294A.160 during the period on the form designed and*  
37 *provided by the Secretary of State pursuant to section 1 of this act.*  
38 *The form must be signed by the candidate under penalty of*  
39 *perjury. The provisions of this subsection apply to the candidate:*

40 (a) *Beginning the year of the general election for that office*  
41 *through the year immediately preceding the next general election*  
42 *for that office; and*



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1 (b) *Each year immediately succeeding a calendar year during*  
2 *which the candidate disposes of contributions pursuant to*  
3 *NRS 294A.160.*

4 2. *Every candidate for state, district, county or township*  
5 *office at a primary or general election shall, if the general election*  
6 *for the office for which he is a candidate is held on or after*  
7 *January 1 and before the July 1 immediately following that*  
8 *January 1, not later than:*

9 (a) *Seven days before the primary election* ~~[.]~~ *for that office, for*  
10 *the period from* ~~[30 days before the regular session of the~~  
11 ~~Legislature after the last election for that office up to]~~ *the January 1*  
12 *immediately preceding the primary election through* 12 days  
13 *before the primary election;*

14 (b) *Seven days before the general election* ~~[, whether or not the~~  
15 ~~candidate won the primary election,]~~ *for that office, for the period*  
16 *from* ~~[12]~~ *11 days before the primary election* ~~[up to]~~ *through* 12  
17 *days before the general election; and*

18 (c) ~~[The 15th day of the second month after the general election,~~  
19 ~~for the remaining period up to 30 days before the next regular~~  
20 ~~session of the Legislature,~~  
21 ~~list]~~ *July 15 of the year of the general election for that office, for*  
22 *the period from 11 days before the general election through*  
23 *June 30 of that year,*

24 *report* each of the campaign expenses in excess of \$100 that he  
25 incurs during the period on ~~[forms]~~ *the form* designed and provided  
26 by the Secretary of State pursuant to *section 1* of this ~~[section and~~  
27 ~~NRS 294A.362.]~~ *act.* Each form must be signed by the candidate  
28 under penalty of perjury.

29 ~~[2.]~~ 3. *Every candidate for state, district, county or township*  
30 *office at a primary or general election shall, if the general election*  
31 *for the office for which he is a candidate is held on or after July 1*  
32 *and before the January 1 immediately following that July 1, not*  
33 *later than:*

34 (a) *Seven days before the primary election for that office, for*  
35 *the period from the January 1 immediately preceding the primary*  
36 *election through 12 days before the primary election; and*

37 (b) *Seven days before the general election for that office, for*  
38 *the period from 11 days before the primary election through 12*  
39 *days before the general election,*  
40 *report* each of the campaign expenses in excess of \$100 that he  
41 incurs during the period on the form designed and provided by the  
42 Secretary of State pursuant to *section 1* of this act. *The form must*  
43 *be signed by the candidate under penalty of perjury.*



1     4. Except as otherwise provided in subsection ~~[3.]~~ 5, every  
2 candidate for a district office at a special election shall, not later  
3 than:

4     (a) Seven days before the special election, for the period from  
5 his nomination ~~[up to]~~ *through* 12 days before the special election;  
6 and

7     (b) ~~[Sixty]~~ *Thirty* days after the special election, for the  
8 remaining period ~~[up to 30 days after]~~ *through* the special  
9 election,

10 ~~[list]~~ *report* each of the campaign expenses in excess of \$100 that he  
11 incurs during the period on ~~[forms]~~ *the form* designed and provided  
12 by the Secretary of State pursuant to *section 1 of* this ~~[section and~~  
13 ~~NRS 294A.362.]~~ *act*. Each form must be signed by the candidate  
14 under penalty of perjury.

15     ~~[3.]~~ 5. Every candidate for state, district, county, municipal or  
16 township office at a special election to determine whether a public  
17 officer will be recalled shall ~~[list]~~ *report each of* the campaign  
18 expenses in excess of \$100 that he incurs on ~~[forms]~~ *the form*  
19 designed and provided by the Secretary of State pursuant to *section*  
20 *1 of* this ~~[section and NRS 294A.362]~~ *act* and signed by the  
21 candidate under penalty of perjury, ~~[60]~~ *30* days after:

22     (a) The special election, for the period from the filing of the  
23 notice of intent to circulate the petition for recall ~~[up to 30 days~~  
24 ~~after]~~ *through* the special election; or

25     (b) ~~[A]~~ *If the special election is not held because a* district  
26 court determines that the petition for recall is legally insufficient  
27 pursuant to subsection 5 of NRS 306.040, for the period from the  
28 filing of the notice of intent to circulate the petition for recall ~~[up to]~~  
29 *through* the date of the district court's decision.

30     ~~[4.]~~ 6. *Reports of campaign* expenses must be filed with the  
31 officer with whom the candidate filed the declaration of candidacy  
32 or acceptance of candidacy. A candidate may mail *or transmit* the  
33 report to that officer by *regular mail*, certified mail ~~[. If certified~~  
34 ~~mail is used, the date of mailing]~~ *, facsimile machine or electronic*  
35 *means. A report* shall be deemed ~~[the date of filing,~~  
36 ~~—5.]~~ *to be filed with the officer:*

37     (a) *On the date that it was mailed if it was sent by certified*  
38 *mail; or*

39     (b) *On the date that it was received by the officer if the report*  
40 *was sent by regular mail, transmitted by facsimile machine or*  
41 *electronic means, or delivered personally.*

42     7. County clerks who receive from candidates for legislative or  
43 judicial office, except the office of justice of the peace or municipal  
44 judge, reports of campaign expenses pursuant to ~~[subsection 4]~~ *this*



1 *section* shall file a copy of each report with the Secretary of State  
2 within 10 working days after he receives the report.

3 ~~[6.—The forms designed and provided by the Secretary of State~~  
4 ~~for the reporting of campaign expenses pursuant to this section must~~  
5 ~~be designed to be used by a candidate to record in the form of a list~~  
6 ~~each campaign expense as he incurs it.]~~

7 **Sec. 9.** NRS 294A.210 is hereby amended to read as follows:

8 294A.210 1. Every person who is not under the direction or  
9 control of a candidate *for an office at a primary election, primary*  
10 *city election, general election or general city election, of a* group of  
11 *such* candidates or of any person involved in the campaign of that  
12 candidate or group who makes an expenditure on behalf of the  
13 candidate or group which is not solicited or approved by  
14 the candidate or group, and every committee for political action,  
15 political party or committee sponsored by a political party which  
16 makes an expenditure on behalf of *such* a candidate or group of  
17 candidates shall, not later *than January 15 of each year that the*  
18 *provisions of this subsection apply to the person, committee or*  
19 *political party, for the period from January 1 of the previous year*  
20 *through December 31 of the previous year, report each*  
21 *expenditure made during the period on behalf of the candidate,*  
22 *the group of candidates or a candidate in the group of candidates*  
23 *in excess of \$100 on the form designed and provided by the*  
24 *Secretary of State pursuant to section 1 of this act. The form must*  
25 *be signed by the person or a representative of the committee or*  
26 *political party under penalty of perjury. The provisions of this*  
27 *subsection apply to the person, committee or political party*  
28 *beginning the year of the general election or general city election*  
29 *for that office through the year immediately preceding the next*  
30 *general election or general city election for that office.*

31 2. Every person, committee or political party described in  
32 subsection 1 which makes an expenditure on behalf of a candidate  
33 for office at a primary election, primary city election, general  
34 election or general city election or a group of such candidates  
35 shall, if the general election or general city election for the office  
36 for which the candidate or a candidate in the group of candidates  
37 seeks election is held on or after January 1 and before the July 1  
38 immediately following that January 1, not later than:

39 (a) Seven days before ~~[a]~~ *the* primary election or primary city  
40 election ~~[.] for that office,~~ for the period from ~~[30 days after the last~~  
41 ~~election for that office to]~~ *the January 1 immediately preceding the*  
42 *primary election or primary city election through* 12 days before  
43 the primary election or primary city election;



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1 (b) Seven days before ~~[a]~~ *the* general election or general city  
2 election ~~[, whether or not the candidate won the primary election or~~  
3 ~~primary city election,]~~ *for that office,* for the period from ~~[12]~~ *11*  
4 days before the primary election or primary city election ~~[to]~~  
5 *through* 12 days before the general election or general city election;  
6 and

7 (c) ~~[The 15th day of the second month after a general election or~~  
8 ~~general city election, for the remaining period up to 30 days after the~~  
9 ~~general election or general city election,~~  
10 ~~list]~~ *July 15 of the year of the general election or general city*  
11 *election for that office, for the period from 11 days before the*  
12 *general election or general city election through the June 30 of*  
13 *that year,*

14 *report* each expenditure made during the period on behalf of ~~[a~~  
15 ~~candidate or]~~ *the candidate, the* group of candidates *or a candidate*  
16 *in the group of candidates* in excess of \$100 on ~~[forms]~~ *the form*  
17 designed and provided by the Secretary of State ~~[and]~~ *pursuant to*  
18 *section 1 of this act. The form must be* signed by the person or a  
19 representative of the ~~[group]~~ *committee or political party* under  
20 penalty of perjury. ~~[The report must also include identification of~~  
21 ~~expenditures which the person or group made cumulatively in~~  
22 ~~excess of \$100 since the beginning of the first reporting period.~~

23 ~~—2.]~~ *3. Every person, committee or political party described in*  
24 *subsection 1 which makes an expenditure on behalf of a candidate*  
25 *for office at a primary election, primary city election, general*  
26 *election or general city election or on behalf of a group of such*  
27 *candidates shall, if the general election or general city election for*  
28 *the office for which the candidate or a candidate in the group of*  
29 *candidates seeks election is held on or after July 1 and before the*  
30 *January 1 immediately following that July 1, not later than:*

31 (a) *Seven days before the primary election or primary city*  
32 *election for that office, for the period from the January 1*  
33 *immediately preceding the primary election or primary city*  
34 *election through 12 days before the primary election or primary*  
35 *city election; and*

36 (b) *Seven days before the general election or general city*  
37 *election for that office, for the period from 11 days before the*  
38 *primary election or primary city election through 12 days before*  
39 *the general election or general city election,*  
40 *report* each expenditure made during the period on behalf of *the*  
41 *candidate, the group of candidates or a candidate in the group of*  
42 *candidates in excess of \$100 on the form designed and provided by*  
43 *the Secretary of State pursuant to section 1 of this act. The form*



1 *must be signed by the person or a representative of the committee*  
2 *or political party under penalty of perjury.*

3 4. *Except as otherwise provided in subsection 5, every person,*  
4 *committee or political party described in subsection 1 which makes*  
5 *an expenditure on behalf of a candidate for office at a special*  
6 *election or on behalf of a group of such candidates shall, not later*  
7 *than:*

8 (a) *Seven days before the special election for the office for*  
9 *which the candidate or a candidate in the group of candidates*  
10 *seeks election, for the period from the nomination of the candidate*  
11 *through 12 days before the special election; and*

12 (b) *Thirty days after the special election, for the remaining*  
13 *period through the special election,*  
14 *report each expenditure made during the period on behalf of the*  
15 *candidate, the group of candidates or a candidate in the group of*  
16 *candidates in excess of \$100 on the form designed and provided by*  
17 *the Secretary of State pursuant to section 1 of this act. The form*  
18 *must be signed by the person or a representative of the committee*  
19 *or political party under penalty of perjury.*

20 5. *Every person, committee or political party described in*  
21 *subsection 1 which makes an expenditure on behalf of a candidate*  
22 *for office at a special election to determine whether a public*  
23 *officer will be recalled or on behalf of a group of such candidates*  
24 *shall list each expenditure made on behalf of the candidate, the*  
25 *group of candidates or a candidate in the group of candidates in*  
26 *excess of \$100 on the form designed and provided by the Secretary*  
27 *of State pursuant to section 1 of this act and signed by the person*  
28 *or a representative of the committee or political party under*  
29 *penalty of perjury, 30 days after:*

30 (a) *The special election, for the period from the filing of the*  
31 *notice of intent to circulate the petition for recall through the*  
32 *special election; or*

33 (b) *If the special election is not held because a district court*  
34 *determines that the petition for recall is legally insufficient*  
35 *pursuant to subsection 5 of NRS 306.040, for the period from the*  
36 *filing of the notice of intent to circulate the petition for recall*  
37 *through the date of the district court's decision.*

38 6. Expenditures made within the State or made elsewhere but  
39 for use within the State, including expenditures made outside the  
40 State for printing, television and radio broadcasting or other  
41 production of the media, must be included in the report.

42 ~~[3. If the candidate is elected from one county, the reports must~~  
43 ~~be filed with the county clerk of that county. If the candidate is~~



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1 ~~electd from one city, the reports must be filed with the city clerk of~~  
2 ~~that city. Otherwise, the]~~

3 7. The reports must be filed with :

4 (a) *If the candidate is elected from one county, the county*  
5 *clerk of that county;*

6 (b) *If the candidate is elected from one city, the city clerk of*  
7 *that city; or*

8 (c) *If the candidate is elected from more than one county or*  
9 *city, the Secretary of State.*

10 8. If an expenditure is made on behalf of a group of candidates,  
11 the reports must be ~~[made to the officer appropriate for each~~  
12 ~~candidate and]~~ itemized by the candidate. A person may ~~[make]~~  
13 *mail or transmit* his report to the appropriate officer by *regular*  
14 *mail*, certified mail ~~[. If certified mail is used, the date of mailing]~~ ,  
15 *facsimile machine or electronic means. A report* shall be deemed  
16 ~~[the date of filing.~~

17 ~~—4.] to be filed with the officer:~~

18 (a) *On the date that it was mailed if it was sent by certified*  
19 *mail; or*

20 (b) *On the date that it was received by the officer if the report*  
21 *was sent by regular mail, transmitted by facsimile machine or*  
22 *electronic means, or delivered personally.*

23 9. Each county clerk or city clerk who receives a report  
24 pursuant to ~~[subsection 3]~~ *this section* shall file a copy of the report  
25 with the Secretary of State within 10 working days after he receives  
26 the report.

27 ~~[5.—The forms designed and provided by the Secretary of State~~  
28 ~~for the reporting of expenditures pursuant to this section must be~~  
29 ~~designed to be used by the person or representative of the group to~~  
30 ~~record in the form of a list each expenditure as it is made.]~~

31 10. *Every person, committee or political party described in*  
32 *subsection 1 shall file a report required by this section even if he*  
33 *or it receives no contributions.*

34 **Sec. 10.** NRS 294A.220 is hereby amended to read as follows:

35 294A.220 1. Every person or group of persons organized  
36 formally or informally who advocates the passage or defeat of a  
37 question or group of questions on the ballot at ~~[any election~~  
38 ~~including any recall or special]~~ *a primary election , primary city*  
39 *election, general election or general city election*, shall, not later  
40 *than January 15 of each year that the provisions of this subsection*  
41 *apply to the person or group of persons, for the period from*  
42 *January 1 of the previous year through December 31 of the*  
43 *previous year, report each expenditure made during the period on*  
44 *behalf of or against the question, the group of questions or a*



1 *question in the group of questions on the ballot in excess of \$100*  
2 *on the form designed and provided by the Secretary of State*  
3 *pursuant to section 1 of this act. The form must be signed by the*  
4 *person or a representative of the group under penalty of perjury.*  
5 *The provisions of this subsection apply to the person or group of*  
6 *persons:*

7 (a) *Each year in which an election or city election is held for a*  
8 *question for which the person or group advocates passage or*  
9 *defeat; and*

10 (b) *The year after each year described in paragraph (a).*

11 2. *If a question is on the ballot at a primary election or*  
12 *primary city election and the general election or general city*  
13 *election immediately following that primary election or primary*  
14 *city election is held on or after January 1 and before the July 1*  
15 *immediately following that January 1, every person or group of*  
16 *persons organized formally or informally who advocates the*  
17 *passage or defeat of the question or a group of questions that*  
18 *includes the question shall comply with the requirements of this*  
19 *subsection. If a question is on the ballot at a general election or*  
20 *general city election held on or after January 1 and before the*  
21 *July 1 immediately following that January 1, every person or*  
22 *group of persons organized formally or informally who advocates*  
23 *the passage or defeat of the question or a group of questions that*  
24 *includes the question shall comply with the requirements of this*  
25 *subsection. A person or group of persons described in this*  
26 *subsection shall, not later than:*

27 (a) Seven days before ~~[a]~~ *the* primary election or primary city  
28 election, for the period from ~~[30 days after the last general election~~  
29 ~~to]~~ *the January 1 immediately preceding the primary election or*  
30 *primary city election through* 12 days before the primary election  
31 or primary city election;

32 (b) Seven days before ~~[a]~~ *the* general election or general city  
33 election, for the period from ~~[12]~~ *11* days before the primary  
34 election or primary city election ~~[to]~~ *through* 12 days before the  
35 general election or general city election; and

36 (c) ~~[The 15th day of the second month after the general election~~  
37 ~~or general city election, for the remaining period up to 30 days after~~  
38 ~~the general election or general city election, list]~~ *July 15 of the year*  
39 *of the general election or general city election, for the period from*  
40 *11 days before the general election or general city election*  
41 *through the June 30 immediately preceding that July 15,*

42 *report* each expenditure made during the period on behalf of or  
43 against ~~[a question or]~~ *the question, the* group of questions *or a*  
44 *question in the group of questions* on the ballot in excess of \$100



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1 on the form designed and provided by the Secretary of State  
2 *pursuant to section 1 of this act* and signed by the person or a  
3 representative of the group under penalty of perjury. ~~[The report~~  
4 ~~must also include the identification of expenditures which the~~  
5 ~~person or group made cumulatively in excess of \$100 since the~~  
6 ~~beginning of the first reporting period.~~

7 ~~—2.]~~ 3. *If a question is on the ballot at a primary election or*  
8 *primary city election and the general election or general city*  
9 *election immediately following that primary election or primary*  
10 *city election is held on or after July 1 and before the January 1*  
11 *immediately following that July 1, every person or group of*  
12 *persons organized formally or informally who advocates the*  
13 *passage or defeat of the question or a group of questions that*  
14 *includes the question shall comply with the requirements of this*  
15 *subsection. If a question is on the ballot at a general election or*  
16 *general city election held on or after July 1 and before the*  
17 *January 1 immediately following that July 1, every person or*  
18 *group of persons organized formally or informally who advocates*  
19 *the passage or defeat of the question or a group of questions that*  
20 *includes the question shall comply with the requirements of this*  
21 *subsection. A person or group of persons described in this*  
22 *subsection shall, not later than:*

23 (a) *Seven days before the primary election or primary city*  
24 *election, for the period from the January 1 immediately preceding*  
25 *the primary election or primary city election through 12 days*  
26 *before the primary election or primary city election; and*

27 (b) *Seven days before the general election or general city*  
28 *election, for the period from 11 days before the primary election or*  
29 *primary city election through 12 days before the general election*  
30 *or general city election,*  
31 *report each expenditure made during the period on behalf of or*  
32 *against the question, the group of questions or a question in the*  
33 *group of questions on the ballot in excess of \$100 on the form*  
34 *designed and provided by the Secretary of State pursuant to*  
35 *section 1 of this act. The form must be signed by the person or a*  
36 *representative of the group under penalty of perjury.*

37 4. *Except as otherwise provided in subsection 5, every person*  
38 *or group of persons organized formally or informally who*  
39 *advocates the passage or defeat of a question or group of*  
40 *questions on the ballot at a special election shall, not later than:*

41 (a) *Seven days before the special election, for the period from*  
42 *the date the question qualified for the ballot through 12 days*  
43 *before the special election; and*



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1       (b) *Thirty days after the special election, for the remaining*  
2 *period through the special election,*  
3 *report each expenditure made during the period on behalf of or*  
4 *against the question, the group of questions or a question in the*  
5 *group of questions on the ballot in excess of \$100 on the form*  
6 *designed and provided by the Secretary of State pursuant to*  
7 *section 1 of this act. The form must be signed by the person or a*  
8 *representative of the group under penalty of perjury.*

9       5. *Every person or group of persons organized formally or*  
10 *informally who advocates the passage or defeat of a question or*  
11 *group of questions on the ballot at a special election to determine*  
12 *whether a public officer will be recalled shall list each expenditure*  
13 *made during the period on behalf of or against the question, the*  
14 *group of questions or a question in the group of questions on*  
15 *the ballot in excess of \$100 on the form designed and provided by*  
16 *the Secretary of State pursuant to section 1 of this act and signed*  
17 *by the person or a representative of the group under penalty of*  
18 *perjury, 30 days after:*

19       (a) *The special election, for the period from the filing of the*  
20 *notice of intent to circulate the petition for recall through the*  
21 *special election; or*

22       (b) *If the special election is not held because a district court*  
23 *determines that the petition for recall is legally insufficient*  
24 *pursuant to subsection 5 of NRS 306.040, for the period from the*  
25 *filing of the notice of intent to circulate the petition for recall*  
26 *through the date of the district court's decision.*

27       6. Expenditures made within the State or made elsewhere but  
28 for use within the State, including expenditures made outside the  
29 State for printing, television and radio broadcasting or other  
30 production of the media, must be included in the report.

31       ~~{3. If the question is submitted to the voters of only one county,  
32 ~~the reports must be filed with the county clerk of that county. If the~~  
33 ~~question is submitted to the voters of only one city, the reports must~~  
34 ~~be filed with the city clerk of that city. Otherwise, the}~~~~

35       7. *The reports required pursuant to this section* must be filed  
36 with :

37       (a) *If the question is submitted to the voters of one county, the*  
38 *county clerk of that county;*

39       (b) *If the question is submitted to the voters of one city, the city*  
40 *clerk of that city; or*

41       (c) *If the question is submitted to the voters of more than one*  
42 *county or city, the Secretary of State.*

43       8. If an expenditure is made on behalf of a group of questions,  
44 the reports ~~{must be made to the officer appropriate for each~~



1 ~~question and~~ must be itemized by question. A person may ~~make~~  
2 ~~mail or transmit~~ his report to the appropriate filing officer by  
3 ~~regular mail~~, certified mail ~~[. If certified mail is used, the date of~~  
4 ~~mailing]~~, ~~facsimile machine or electronic means~~. A report shall be  
5 deemed ~~the date of filing~~.

6 ~~—4.] to be filed with the filing officer:~~

7 (a) *On the date that it was mailed if it was sent by certified*  
8 *mail; or*

9 (b) *On the date that it was received by the filing officer if the*  
10 *report was sent by regular mail, transmitted by facsimile machine*  
11 *or electronic means, or delivered personally.*

12 9. Each county clerk or city clerk who receives a report  
13 pursuant to ~~subsection 3]~~ *this section* shall file a copy of the report  
14 with the Secretary of State within 10 working days after he receives  
15 the report.

16 ~~[5.—The form designed and provided by the Secretary of State~~  
17 ~~for the reporting of expenditure pursuant to this section must be~~  
18 ~~designed to be used by the person or representative of the group to~~  
19 ~~record in the form of a list each expenditure as it is made.]~~

20 **Sec. 11.** NRS 294A.270 is hereby amended to read as follows:

21 294A.270 1. Except as otherwise provided in subsection 3,  
22 each committee for the recall of a public officer shall, not later than:

23 (a) Seven days before the special election to recall a public  
24 officer, for the period from the filing of the notice of intent to  
25 circulate the petition for recall ~~up to~~ *through* 12 days before the  
26 special election; and

27 (b) Thirty days after the election, for the remaining period ~~up~~  
28 ~~to~~ *through* the election,

29 ~~[list]~~ *report* each contribution received or made by the committee in  
30 excess of \$100 on ~~the~~ *the* form *designed and* provided by the  
31 Secretary of State ~~and~~ *pursuant to section 1 of this act. The form*  
32 *must be* signed *by a representative of the committee* under penalty  
33 of perjury.

34 2. If a petition for the purpose of recalling a public officer is  
35 not filed before the expiration of the notice of intent, the committee  
36 for the recall of a public officer shall, not later than 30 days after the  
37 expiration of the notice of intent, ~~[list]~~ *report* each contribution  
38 received ~~or~~ *by the committee, and each contribution* made by the  
39 committee in excess of \$100.

40 3. If a court does not order a special election for the recall of  
41 the public officer, the committee for the recall of a public officer  
42 shall, not later than 30 days after the court determines that an  
43 election will not be held, for the period from the filing of the notice  
44 of intent to circulate the petition for recall ~~up to~~ *through* the day



1 the court determines that an election will not be held, ~~[list]~~ *report*  
2 each contribution received ~~[or]~~ *by the committee, and each*  
3 *contribution* made by the committee in excess of \$100.

4 4. Each report of contributions must be filed with the Secretary  
5 of State. The committee may mail *or transmit* the report by *regular*  
6 *mail*, certified mail ~~[- If certified mail is used, the date of mailing]~~,  
7 *facsimile machine or electronic means. A report* shall be deemed  
8 ~~[the date of filing.] to be filed with the Secretary of State:~~

9 (a) *On the date that it was mailed if it was sent by certified*  
10 *mail; or*

11 (b) *On the date that it was received by the Secretary of State if*  
12 *the report was sent by regular mail, transmitted by facsimile*  
13 *machine or electronic means, or delivered personally.*

14 5. The name and address of the contributor and the date on  
15 which the contribution was received must be included on the ~~[list]~~  
16 *report* for each contribution, whether from or to a natural person,  
17 association or corporation, in excess of \$100 and contributions  
18 which a contributor or the committee has made cumulatively in  
19 excess of that amount since the beginning of the ~~[first]~~ *current*  
20 reporting period. ~~[The form designed and provided by the Secretary~~  
21 ~~of State for the reporting of contributions pursuant to this section~~  
22 ~~must be designed to be used by the committee to record in the form~~  
23 ~~of a list each contribution as it is received or made.]~~

24 **Sec. 12.** NRS 294A.280 is hereby amended to read as follows:  
25 294A.280 1. Except as otherwise provided in subsection 3,  
26 each committee for the recall of a public officer shall, not later than:

27 (a) Seven days before the special election to recall a public  
28 officer, for the period from the filing of the notice of intent to  
29 circulate the petition for recall ~~[up to]~~ *through* 12 days before the  
30 special election; and

31 (b) Thirty days after the election, for the remaining period ~~[up~~  
32 ~~to]~~ *through* the election,  
33 ~~[list]~~ *report* each expenditure made by the committee in excess of  
34 \$100 on ~~[a]~~ *the* form *designed and* provided by the Secretary of  
35 State ~~[and]~~ *pursuant to section 1 of this act. The form must be*  
36 *signed by a representative of the committee* under penalty of  
37 perjury.

38 2. If a petition for the purpose of recalling a public officer is  
39 not filed before the expiration of the notice of intent, the committee  
40 for the recall of a public officer shall, not later than 30 days after the  
41 expiration of the notice of intent, ~~[list]~~ *report* each expenditure made  
42 by the committee in excess of \$100.

43 3. If a court does not order a special election for the recall of  
44 the public officer, the committee for the recall of a public officer



1 shall, not later than 30 days after the court determines that an  
2 election will not be held, for the period from the filing of the notice  
3 of intent to circulate the petition for recall ~~[up to]~~ *through* the day  
4 the court determines that an election will not be held, ~~[list]~~ *report*  
5 each expenditure made by the committee in excess of \$100.

6 4. ~~[The report must also include identification of expenditures~~  
7 ~~which the committee for the recall of a public officer made~~  
8 ~~cumulatively in excess of \$100 since the beginning of the first~~  
9 ~~reporting period.~~

10 ~~—5.]~~ Each report of expenditures must be filed with the Secretary  
11 of State. The committee may mail *or transmit* the report *to the*  
12 *Secretary of State* by *regular mail*, certified mail ~~[If certified mail~~  
13 ~~is used, the date of mailing]~~ , *facsimile machine or electronic*  
14 *means. A report* shall be deemed ~~[the date of filing.~~

15 ~~—6.—The form designed and provided by the Secretary of State~~  
16 ~~for the reporting of expenditures pursuant to this section must be~~  
17 ~~designed to be used by a committee to record in the form of a list~~  
18 ~~each expenditure as it is made.] to be filed with the Secretary of~~  
19 *State:*

20 (a) *On the date that it was mailed if it was sent by certified*  
21 *mail; or*

22 (b) *On the date that it was received by the Secretary of State if*  
23 *the report was sent by regular mail, transmitted by facsimile*  
24 *machine or electronic means, or delivered personally.*

25 **Sec. 13.** NRS 294A.360 is hereby amended to read as follows:

26 294A.360 1. Every candidate for city office ~~[where the]~~ *at a*  
27 *primary city election or* general city election ~~[is preceded by a~~  
28 ~~primary city election]~~ shall file the reports in the manner required by  
29 NRS 294A.120 ~~[, 294A.200 and 294A.350]~~ *and 294A.200* for other  
30 offices not later *than January 15 of each year, for the period from*  
31 *January 1 of the previous year through December 31 of the*  
32 *previous year. The provisions of this subsection apply to the*  
33 *candidate:*

34 (a) *Beginning the year of the general city election for that*  
35 *office through the year immediately preceding the next general*  
36 *city election for that office; and*

37 (b) *Each year immediately succeeding a calendar year during*  
38 *which the candidate disposes of contributions pursuant to*  
39 *NRS 294A.160.*

40 2. Every candidate for city office *at a primary city election or*  
41 *general city election, if the general city election for the office for*  
42 *which he is a candidate is held on or after January 1 and before*  
43 *the July 1 immediately following that January 1, shall file the*



1 *reports in the manner required by NRS 294A.120 and 294A.200*  
2 *for other offices not later*  
3 *than:*

4 (a) Seven days before the primary city election ~~[ ]~~ *for that*  
5 *office, for the period from [30 days after the last election for that*  
6 ~~office up to] the January 1 immediately preceding the primary city~~  
7 *election through* 12 days before the primary city election;

8 (b) Seven days before the general city election ~~[, whether or not~~  
9 ~~the candidate won the primary city election,]~~ *for that office, for the*  
10 *period from [12] 11 days before the primary city election [up to]*  
11 *through* 12 days before the general city election; and

12 (c) ~~[The 15th day of the second month after the general city~~  
13 ~~election, for the remaining period up to 30 days after the general city~~  
14 ~~election.~~

15 ~~—2.—Every]~~ *July 15 of the year of the general city election for*  
16 *that office, for the period from 11 days before the general city*  
17 *election through the June 30 of that year.*

18 3. *Every candidate for city office at a primary city election or*  
19 *general city election, if the general city election for the office for*  
20 *which he is a candidate is held on or after July 1 and before the*  
21 *January 1 immediately following that July 1, shall file the reports*  
22 *in the manner required by NRS 294A.120 and 294A.200 for other*  
23 *offices not later than:*

24 (a) *Seven days before the primary city election for that office,*  
25 *for the period from the January 1 immediately preceding the*  
26 *primary city election through 12 days before the primary city*  
27 *election; and*

28 (b) *Seven days before the general city election for that office,*  
29 *for the period from 11 days before the primary city election*  
30 *through 12 days before the general city election.*

31 4. *Except as otherwise provided in subsection 5, every*  
32 *candidate for city office [where there is no primary city] at a special*  
33 *election shall so file those reports:*

34 (a) Seven days before the ~~[general city]~~ *special* election, for the  
35 period from ~~[30 days after the last election for that office up to]~~ *his*  
36 *nomination through* 12 days before the ~~[general city]~~ *special*  
37 election; and

38 (b) ~~[The 15th day of the second month]~~ *Thirty days* after the  
39 ~~[general city]~~ *special* election, for the remaining period ~~[up to 30~~  
40 ~~days after the general city election.~~

41 ~~—3.—The city clerk shall design the form for each report a~~  
42 ~~candidate for city office is required to file pursuant to NRS~~  
43 ~~294A.120 and 294A.200. The form designed and provided by the~~  
44 ~~city clerk for the reporting of campaign contributions and campaign~~



1 ~~expenses pursuant to this section must be designed to be used to~~  
2 ~~record in the form of a list each campaign contribution as it is made~~  
3 ~~and each campaign expense in excess of \$100 as it is incurred.~~  
4 ~~The city clerk shall submit the form to the Secretary of State for~~  
5 ~~approval. The city clerk shall not use such a form until it is~~  
6 ~~approved.] through the special election.~~

7 *5. Every candidate for city office at a special election to*  
8 *determine whether a public officer will be recalled shall so file*  
9 *those reports 30 days after:*

10 *(a) The special election, for the period from the filing of the*  
11 *notice of intent to circulate the petition for recall through the*  
12 *special election; or*

13 *(b) If the special election is not held because a district court*  
14 *determines that the petition for recall is legally insufficient*  
15 *pursuant to subsection 5 of NRS 306.040, for the period from the*  
16 *filing of the notice of intent to circulate the petition for recall*  
17 *through the date of the district court's decision.*

18 **Sec. 14.** NRS 294A.362 is hereby amended to read as follows:

19 294A.362 1. In addition to ~~[filing the forms designed and~~  
20 ~~provided by the Secretary of State]~~ *reporting information* pursuant  
21 to NRS 294A.120, 294A.125 ~~[and 294A.200, or the forms designed~~  
22 ~~and provided by a city clerk pursuant to NRS 294A.360, as~~  
23 ~~appropriate,]~~ *, 294A.200 and 294A.360*, each candidate who is  
24 required to file a report of campaign contributions and expenses  
25 pursuant to NRS 294A.120, 294A.125, 294A.200 or 294A.360 shall  
26 ~~[file a separate form relating only to]~~ *report on the form designed*  
27 *and provided by the Secretary of State pursuant to section 1 of this*  
28 *act* goods and services provided in kind for which money would  
29 otherwise have been paid. The candidate shall list on the form each  
30 such campaign contribution *in excess of \$100 that* he receives  
31 *during the reporting period, each such campaign contribution*  
32 *from a contributor received during the reporting period which*  
33 *cumulatively exceeds \$100*, and each *such* expense in excess of  
34 \$100 he incurs during the reporting period.

35 2. ~~[The Secretary of State shall design the form described in~~  
36 ~~subsection 1 for each candidate who is required to use the form to~~  
37 ~~file a report pursuant to NRS 294A.120, 294A.125 or 294A.200.~~  
38 ~~The city clerk shall design the form described in subsection 1 for~~  
39 ~~each candidate who is required to use the form to file a report~~  
40 ~~pursuant to NRS 294A.360. The city clerk shall submit the form to~~  
41 ~~the Secretary of State for approval. The city clerk shall not use such~~  
42 ~~a form until it is approved. The Secretary of State and each city~~  
43 ~~clerk shall design the format of the form described in subsection 1~~  
44 ~~so that a candidate who uses the form may record in the form a list~~





1 ~~of each such campaign contribution as the contribution is received~~  
2 ~~and expense in excess of \$100 as it is incurred.~~

3 ~~—3.] The Secretary of State and each city clerk shall not require a~~  
4 ~~candidate to list the campaign contributions and expenses described~~  
5 ~~in this section on any form other than [a form designed and provided~~  
6 ~~pursuant to this section.~~

7 ~~—4. Upon request, the Secretary of State shall provide a copy of~~  
8 ~~the form described in subsection 1 to each candidate who is required~~  
9 ~~to file a report of his campaign contributions and expenses pursuant~~  
10 ~~to NRS 294A.120, 294A.125 or 294A.200. Upon request, each city~~  
11 ~~clerk shall provide a copy of the form described in subsection 1 to~~  
12 ~~each candidate who is required to file a report of his campaign~~  
13 ~~contributions and expenses pursuant to NRS 294A.360.] *the form*~~  
14 ~~*designed and provided by the Secretary of State pursuant to*~~  
15 ~~*section 1 of this act.*~~

16 **Sec. 15.** NRS 294A.365 is hereby amended to read as follows:

17 294A.365 1. Each report of expenditures required pursuant to  
18 NRS 294A.210, 294A.220 and 294A.280 must consist of a list of  
19 ~~[the expenditures]~~ *each expenditure in excess of \$100 that was*  
20 made during the periods for reporting. Each report of expenses  
21 required pursuant to NRS 294A.125 and 294A.200 must consist of a  
22 list of each expense in excess of \$100 that was incurred during the  
23 periods for reporting. The list in each report must state the category  
24 and amount of the expense or expenditure and the date on which the  
25 expense was incurred or the expenditure was made.

26 2. The categories of expense or expenditure for use on the  
27 report of expenses or expenditures are:

- 28 (a) Office expenses;
- 29 (b) Expenses related to volunteers;
- 30 (c) Expenses related to travel;
- 31 (d) Expenses related to advertising;
- 32 (e) Expenses related to paid staff;
- 33 (f) Expenses related to consultants;
- 34 (g) Expenses related to polling;
- 35 (h) Expenses related to special events;
- 36 (i) Except as otherwise provided in NRS 294A.362, goods and  
37 services provided in kind for which money would otherwise have  
38 been paid; and
- 39 (j) Other miscellaneous expenses.

40 3. ~~[The Secretary of State and each city clerk shall not require a~~  
41 ~~candidate to provide separately the total amount of each category of~~  
42 ~~expenses described in this section.] *Each report of expenses or*~~  
43 ~~*expenditures described in subsection 1 must list the disposition of*~~



1 *any unspent campaign contributions using the categories set forth*  
2 *in subsection 2 of NRS 294A.160.*

3 **Sec. 16.** (Deleted by amendment.)

4 **Sec. 17.** NRS 294A.390 is hereby amended to read as follows:

5 294A.390 The officer from whom a candidate or entity  
6 requests a form for:

7 1. A declaration of candidacy;

8 2. An acceptance of candidacy;

9 3. The registration of a committee for political action pursuant  
10 to NRS 294A.230 or a committee for the recall of a public officer  
11 pursuant to NRS 294A.250; or

12 4. The reporting of campaign contributions, expenses or  
13 expenditures pursuant to NRS 294A.120, 294A.140, 294A.150,  
14 ~~294A.180,~~ 294A.200, 294A.210, 294A.220, 294A.270, 294A.280  
15 or 294A.360,

16 shall furnish the candidate with the necessary forms for reporting  
17 and copies of the regulations adopted by the Secretary of State  
18 pursuant to this chapter. An explanation of the applicable provisions  
19 of NRS 294A.100, 294A.120, 294A.140, 294A.150, ~~294A.180,~~  
20 294A.200, 294A.210, 294A.220, 294A.270, 294A.280 or 294A.360  
21 relating to the making, accepting or reporting of campaign  
22 contributions, expenses or expenditures and the penalties for a  
23 violation of those provisions as set forth in NRS 294A.100 or  
24 294A.420 must be ~~printed on the forms,~~ *developed by the*  
25 *Secretary of State and provided upon request.* The candidate or  
26 entity shall acknowledge receipt of the material.

27 **Sec. 18.** NRS 294A.420 is hereby amended to read as follows:

28 294A.420 1. If the Secretary of State receives information  
29 that a person or entity that is subject to the provisions of NRS  
30 294A.120, 294A.140, 294A.150, ~~294A.180,~~ 294A.200, 294A.210,  
31 294A.220, 294A.230, 294A.270, 294A.280 or 294A.360 has not  
32 filed a report or form for registration pursuant to the applicable  
33 provisions of those sections, the Secretary of State may, after giving  
34 notice to that person or entity, cause the appropriate proceedings to  
35 be instituted in the First Judicial District Court.

36 2. Except as otherwise provided in this section, a person or  
37 entity that violates an applicable provision of NRS 294A.112,  
38 294A.120, 294A.130, 294A.140, 294A.150, 294A.160, ~~294A.170,~~  
39 ~~294A.180,~~ 294A.200, 294A.210, 294A.220, 294A.230, 294A.270,  
40 294A.280, 294A.300, 294A.310, 294A.320 or 294A.360 is subject  
41 to a civil penalty of not more than \$5,000 for each violation and  
42 payment of court costs and attorney's fees. The civil penalty must  
43 be recovered in a civil action brought in the name of the State of  
44 Nevada by the Secretary of State in the First Judicial District Court



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1 and deposited by the Secretary of State for credit to the State  
2 General Fund in the bank designated by the Treasurer.

3 3. If a civil penalty is imposed because a person or entity has  
4 reported its contributions, expenses or expenditures after the date  
5 the report is due, the amount of the civil penalty is:

6 (a) If the report is not more than 7 days late, \$25 for each day  
7 the report is late.

8 (b) If the report is more than 7 days late but not more than 15  
9 days late, \$50 for each day the report is late.

10 (c) If the report is more than 15 days late, \$100 for each day the  
11 report is late.

12 4. For good cause shown, the Secretary of State may waive a  
13 civil penalty that would otherwise be imposed pursuant to this  
14 section. If the Secretary of State waives a civil penalty pursuant to  
15 this subsection, the Secretary of State shall:

16 (a) Create a record which sets forth that the civil penalty has  
17 been waived and describes the circumstances that constitute the  
18 good cause shown; and

19 (b) Ensure that the record created pursuant to paragraph (a) is  
20 available for review by the general public.

21 **Sec. 19.** Chapter 281 of NRS is hereby amended by adding  
22 thereto a new section to read as follows:

23 *1. Except as otherwise provided in subsection 2, if a public*  
24 *officer who was appointed to the office for which he is serving is*  
25 *entitled to receive compensation for serving in that office, he shall*  
26 *file with the Commission a statement of financial disclosure, as*  
27 *follows:*

28 *(a) A public officer appointed to fill the unexpired term of an*  
29 *elected or appointed public officer shall file a statement of*  
30 *financial disclosure within 30 days after his appointment.*

31 *(b) Each public officer appointed to fill an office shall file a*  
32 *statement of financial disclosure on or before January 15 of each*  
33 *year of the term, including the year the term expires.*

34 *2. If a person is serving in a public office for which he is*  
35 *required to file a statement pursuant to subsection 1, he may use*  
36 *the statement he files for that initial office to satisfy the*  
37 *requirements of subsection 1 for every other public office to which*  
38 *he is appointed and in which he is also serving.*

39 *3. A judicial officer who is appointed to fill the unexpired*  
40 *term of a predecessor or to fill a newly created judgeship shall file*  
41 *a statement of financial disclosure pursuant to the requirements of*  
42 *Canon 4I of the Nevada Code of Judicial Conduct. Such a*  
43 *statement of financial disclosure must include, without limitation,*



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1 *all information required to be included in a statement of financial*  
2 *disclosure pursuant to NRS 281.571.*

3 *4. The Commission shall provide written notification to the*  
4 *Secretary of State of the public officers who failed to file the*  
5 *statements of financial disclosure required by subsection 1 or who*  
6 *failed to file those statements in a timely manner. The notice must*  
7 *be sent within 30 days after the deadlines set forth in subsection 1*  
8 *and must include:*

9 *(a) The name of each public officer who failed to file his*  
10 *statement of financial disclosure within the period before the*  
11 *notice is sent;*

12 *(b) The name of each public officer who filed his statement of*  
13 *financial disclosure after the deadlines set forth in subsection 1*  
14 *but within the period before the notice is sent;*

15 *(c) For the first notice sent after the public officer filed his*  
16 *statement of financial disclosure, the name of each public officer*  
17 *who filed his statement of financial disclosure after the deadlines*  
18 *set forth in subsection 1 but within the period before the notice is*  
19 *sent; and*

20 *(d) For each public officer listed in paragraph (c), the date on*  
21 *which the statement of financial disclosure was due and the date*  
22 *on which the public officer filed the statement.*

23 *5. In addition to the notice provided pursuant to subsection 4,*  
24 *the Commission shall notify the Secretary of State of each public*  
25 *officer who files a statement of financial disclosure more than 30*  
26 *days after the deadlines set forth in subsection 1. The notice must*  
27 *include the information described in paragraphs (c) and (d) of*  
28 *subsection 4.*

29 *6. A statement of financial disclosure shall be deemed to be*  
30 *filed with the Commission:*

31 *(a) On the date that it was mailed if it was sent by certified*  
32 *mail; or*

33 *(b) On the date that it was received by the Commission if the*  
34 *statement was sent by regular mail, transmitted by facsimile*  
35 *machine or electronic means, or delivered personally.*

36 **Sec. 20.** NRS 281.411 is hereby amended to read as follows:

37 281.411 NRS 281.411 to 281.581, inclusive, *and section 19 of*  
38 *this act* may be cited as the Nevada Ethics in Government Law.

39 **Sec. 21.** NRS 281.471 is hereby amended to read as follows:

40 281.471 The Commission shall:

41 1. Adopt procedural regulations:

42 (a) To facilitate the receipt of inquiries by the Commission;

43 (b) For the filing of a request for an opinion with the  
44 Commission;



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1 (c) For the withdrawal of a request for an opinion by the person  
2 who filed the request; and

3 (d) To facilitate the prompt rendition of opinions by the  
4 Commission.

5 2. Prescribe, by regulation, forms *for the submission of*  
6 *statements of financial disclosure* and procedures for the  
7 submission of statements of financial disclosure *filed pursuant to*  
8 *section 19 of this act* and *forms and procedures for the submission*  
9 *of* statements of acknowledgment filed by public officers pursuant  
10 to NRS 281.552, maintain files of such statements and make the  
11 statements available for public inspection.

12 3. Cause the making of such investigations as are reasonable  
13 and necessary for the rendition of its opinions pursuant to this  
14 chapter.

15 4. ~~[Inform]~~ *Except as otherwise provided in section 19 of this*  
16 *act, inform* the Attorney General or district attorney of all cases of  
17 noncompliance with the requirements of this chapter.

18 5. Recommend to the Legislature such further legislation as the  
19 Commission considers desirable or necessary to promote and  
20 maintain high standards of ethical conduct in government.

21 6. Publish a manual for the use of public officers and  
22 employees that contains:

23 (a) Hypothetical opinions which are abstracted from opinions  
24 rendered pursuant to subsection 1 of NRS 281.511, for the future  
25 guidance of all persons concerned with ethical standards in  
26 government;

27 (b) Abstracts of selected opinions rendered pursuant to  
28 subsection 2 of NRS 281.511; and

29 (c) An abstract of the requirements of this chapter.

30 The Legislative Counsel shall prepare annotations to this chapter for  
31 inclusion in the Nevada Revised Statutes based on the abstracts and  
32 published opinions of the Commission.

33 **Sec. 22.** NRS 281.552 is hereby amended to read as follows:

34 281.552 1. Every public officer shall acknowledge that he  
35 has received, read and understands the statutory ethical standards.  
36 The acknowledgment must be on a form prescribed by the  
37 Commission and must accompany the first statement of financial  
38 disclosure that the public officer is required to file with the  
39 Commission pursuant to *section 19 of this act or the Secretary of*  
40 *State pursuant to* NRS 281.561.

41 2. The Commission *and the Secretary of State* shall retain an  
42 acknowledgment filed pursuant to this section for 6 years after the  
43 date on which the acknowledgment was filed.



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1 3. Willful refusal to execute and file the acknowledgment  
2 required by this section constitutes nonfeasance in office and is a  
3 ground for removal pursuant to NRS 283.440.

4 **Sec. 23.** NRS 281.561 is hereby amended to read as follows:

5 281.561 1. ~~Except as otherwise provided in subsection 2 or~~  
6 ~~3, if~~ If a candidate for public office *will be entitled to receive*  
7 *compensation for serving in the office that he is seeking* or a  
8 public officer *who was elected to the office for which he is serving*  
9 is entitled to receive compensation for serving in ~~the office in~~  
10 ~~question,] that office,~~ he shall file with the ~~Commission, and with~~  
11 ~~the officer with whom declarations of candidacy for the office in~~  
12 ~~question are filed.] Secretary of State~~ a statement of financial  
13 disclosure, as follows:

14 (a) A candidate for nomination, election or reelection to public  
15 office shall file a statement of financial disclosure no later than the  
16 10th day after the last day to qualify as a candidate for the office ~~;~~

17 ~~—(b) A public officer appointed to fill the unexpired term of an~~  
18 ~~elected public officer shall file a statement of financial disclosure~~  
19 ~~within 30 days after his appointment.~~

20 ~~—(c) Every public officer, whether appointed or elected,] ; and~~

21 (b) *Each public officer* shall file a statement of financial  
22 disclosure on or before ~~March 31] January 15~~ of each year of the  
23 term, including the year the term expires.

24 ~~[(d) A public officer who leaves office on a date other than the~~  
25 ~~expiration of his term or anniversary of his appointment or election,~~  
26 ~~shall file a statement of financial disclosure within 60 days after~~  
27 ~~leaving office.~~

28 ~~—2. A statement filed pursuant to one of the paragraphs of~~  
29 ~~subsection 1 may be used to satisfy the requirements of another~~  
30 ~~paragraph of subsection 1 if the initial statement was filed not more~~  
31 ~~than 3 months before the other statement is required to be filed.~~

32 ~~—3. If a person is serving in a public office for which he is~~  
33 ~~required to file a statement pursuant to subsection 1, he may use the~~  
34 ~~statement he files for that initial office to satisfy the requirements of~~  
35 ~~subsection 1 for every other public office in which he is also~~  
36 ~~serving.~~

37 ~~—4. A person may satisfy the requirements of subsection 1 by~~  
38 ~~filing with the Commission a copy of a statement of financial~~  
39 ~~disclosure that was filed pursuant to the requirements of a~~  
40 ~~specialized or local ethics committee if the form of the statement has~~  
41 ~~been approved by the Commission.~~

42 ~~—5.] 2.~~ A candidate for judicial office or a judicial officer shall  
43 file a statement of financial disclosure pursuant to the requirements  
44 of Canon 4I of the Nevada Code of Judicial Conduct. Such a



1 statement of financial disclosure must include, without limitation,  
2 all information required to be included in a statement of financial  
3 disclosure pursuant to NRS 281.571.

4 *3. A statement of financial disclosure shall be deemed to be*  
5 *filed with the Secretary of State:*

6 *(a) On the date that it was mailed if it was sent by certified*  
7 *mail; or*

8 *(b) On the date that it was received by the Secretary of State if*  
9 *the statement was sent by regular mail, transmitted by facsimile*  
10 *machine or electronic means, or delivered personally.*

11 *4. The statement of financial disclosure filed pursuant to this*  
12 *section must be filed on the form prescribed by the Commission*  
13 *pursuant to NRS 281.471.*

14 *5. The Secretary of State shall prescribe, by regulation,*  
15 *procedures for the submission of statements of financial*  
16 *disclosure filed pursuant to this section, maintain files of such*  
17 *statements and make the statements available for public*  
18 *inspection.*

19 **Sec. 24.** NRS 281.573 is hereby amended to read as follows:

20 281.573 1. Except as otherwise provided in subsection 2,  
21 statements of financial disclosure required by the provisions of NRS  
22 281.561 and 281.571 *and section 19 of this act* must be retained by  
23 the Commission ~~;~~ *or* Secretary of State ~~[-, county clerk and city~~  
24 ~~clerk]~~ for 6 years after the date of filing.

25 2. For public officers who serve more than one term in either  
26 the same public office or more than one public office, the period  
27 prescribed in subsection 1 begins on the date of the filing of the last  
28 statement of financial disclosure for the last public office held.

29 **Sec. 25.** (Deleted by amendment.)

30 **Sec. 26.** NRS 281.581 is hereby amended to read as follows:

31 281.581 1. ~~[A]~~ *If the Secretary of State receives information*  
32 *that a candidate for public office or public officer [who fails to file]*  
33 *has not filed* his statement of financial disclosure in a timely manner  
34 pursuant to NRS 281.561 *or section 19 of this act, the Secretary of*  
35 *State may, after giving notice to that person or entity, cause the*  
36 *appropriate proceedings to be instituted in the First Judicial*  
37 *District Court.*

38 2. *Except as otherwise provided in this section, a candidate*  
39 *for public office or public officer who fails to file his statement of*  
40 *financial disclosure in a timely manner pursuant to NRS 281.561*  
41 *or section 19 of this act* is subject to a civil penalty *of not more*  
42 *than \$5,000 for each violation* and payment of court costs and  
43 attorney's fees. ~~[Except as otherwise provided in subsection 3, the]~~  
44 *The civil penalty must be recovered in a civil action brought in the*



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1 *name of the State of Nevada by the Secretary of State in the First*  
2 *Judicial District Court and deposited by the Secretary of State for*  
3 *credit to the State General Fund in the bank designated by the*  
4 *State Treasurer.*

5 **3.** *The* amount of the civil penalty is:

6 (a) If the statement is filed not more than 7 days late, \$25 for  
7 each day the statement is late.

8 (b) If the statement is filed more than 7 days late but not more  
9 than 15 days late, ~~[\$175 for the first 7 days, plus]~~ \$50 for each  
10 ~~[additional]~~ day the statement is late.

11 (c) If the statement is filed more than 15 days late, ~~[\$575 for the~~  
12 ~~first 15 days, plus]~~ \$100 for each ~~[additional]~~ day the statement is  
13 late.

14 ~~[2. The Commission may, for]~~

15 **4.** *For* good cause shown, *the Secretary of State may* waive  
16 ~~for reduce the civil penalty.~~

17 ~~—3. The civil penalty imposed for a violation of this section must~~  
18 ~~not exceed the annual compensation for the office for which the~~  
19 ~~statement was filed.~~

20 ~~—4. The civil penalty must be recovered in a civil action brought~~  
21 ~~in the name of the State of Nevada by the Commission in a court of~~  
22 ~~competent jurisdiction and deposited by the Commission in the~~  
23 ~~account for credit to the State General Fund in the bank designated~~  
24 ~~by the State Treasurer.~~

25 ~~—5. If the Commission]~~ *a civil penalty that would otherwise be*  
26 *imposed pursuant to this section. If the Secretary of State* waives a  
27 civil penalty pursuant to ~~[subsection 2, the Commission]~~ *this*  
28 *subsection, the Secretary of State* shall:

29 (a) Create a record which sets forth that the civil penalty has  
30 been waived and describes the circumstances that constitute the  
31 good cause shown; and

32 (b) Ensure that the record created pursuant to paragraph (a) is  
33 available for review by the general public.

34 **Sec. 27.** NRS 294A.170 and 294A.180 are hereby repealed.

35 **Sec. 28.** The statement of financial disclosure required to be  
36 filed on or before January 15, 2004, by a public officer with the  
37 Secretary of State pursuant to the amendatory provisions of NRS  
38 281.561 must cover the period from the last statement of financial  
39 disclosure filed by the public officer through December 31, 2003.

40 **Sec. 28.5.** A financial disclosure statement filed with a county  
41 clerk or city clerk before January 1, 2004, must be retained by the  
42 county clerk or city clerk for 6 years after the date of filing.



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1      **Sec. 29.** This act becomes effective on January 1, 2004.

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**TEXT OF REPEALED SECTIONS**

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**294A.170 Candidate to offer to return unspent contributions received before filing of declaration of candidacy for different office; disposition of unreturned contributions.** If a candidate for state, district, county, city or township office files a declaration of candidacy for an office which is different from the office which:

1. He previously and publicly intended to seek; or
2. He held immediately preceding his declaration of candidacy, he shall make a reasonable effort to notify the persons who contributed money to his campaign before he filed his declaration of candidacy and return the unspent portion of those contributions if so requested. Any contributions not returned must be used in his campaign or must be disposed of in the manner provided in NRS 294A.160.

**294A.180 Candidate or elected public officer to file report relating to disposition of unspent contributions; procedure for reporting.**

1. Each candidate for a state, district, county, city or township office who is not elected to that office shall, not later than the 15th day of the second month after his defeat, file a report with the Secretary of State stating the amount of contributions which he received for that campaign but did not spend and the disposition of those unspent contributions.

2. Each public officer who is elected to a state, district, county, city or township office shall file a report:

(a) Not later than the 15th day of the second month after his election, stating the amount of campaign contributions which he received but did not spend and the amount, if any, of those unspent contributions disposed of pursuant to subsections 2 and 6 of NRS 294A.160 as of the last day of the first month after his election;

(b) Not later than January 15th of each year of his term beginning the year after he filed the report required by paragraph (a), stating the amount, if any, of those unspent contributions disposed of pursuant to NRS 294A.160 during the period from the last date covered by his last report through December 31 of the immediately preceding year and the manner in which they were disposed of; and



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(c) Not later than the 15th day of the second month after he no longer holds that office, stating the amount and disposition of any remaining unspent contributions.

3. The reports required by subsections 1 and 2 must be submitted on a form designed and provided by the Secretary of State and signed by the candidate or public officer under penalty of perjury.

4. A public officer filing a report pursuant to subsection 2:

(a) Shall file the report with the officer with whom he filed his declaration of candidacy or acceptance of candidacy.

(b) May file the report by certified mail. If certified mail is used, the date of mailing shall be deemed the date of filing.

5. A county clerk who receives from a legislative or judicial officer, other than a justice of the peace or municipal judge, a report pursuant to subsection 4 shall file a copy of the report with the Secretary of State within 10 working days after he receives the report.

