Amendment No. 590

Senate Amendment to Senate Bill No. 329					(BDR 24-1328)
Proposed by: Committee on Legislative Operations and Elections					
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Amend the bill as a whole by deleting sections 1 and 2 and renumbering sec. 3 as section 1.

Amend sec. 3, page 2, by deleting line 6 and inserting:

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

1. Every ballot upon which appears a measure shall".

Amend sec. 3, page 2, by deleting lines 16 through 19 and inserting:

"measure may be counted in determining whether a measure is approved or disapproved by the voters, but for each measure the number of ballots on which the additional line reading "no preference" was chosen shall be listed following the lines for the approval or disapproval of the measure and the number of votes for the approval or disapproval of the measure in every posting, abstract and proclamation of the results of the election."

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S.B. No. 329—Provides for option of voting "no preference" for ballot question or certain offices.

Amend the bill as a whole by renumbering sections 4 through 8 as sections 3 through 7 and adding a new section designated sec. 2, following sec. 3, to read as follows:

"Sec. 2. NRS 293.269 is hereby amended to read as follows:

- 293.269 1. Every ballot upon which appears the names of candidates for any [statewide office or for President and Vice President of the United States] office shall contain for each office an additional line equivalent to the lines on which the candidates' names appear and placed at the end of the group of lines containing the names of the candidates for that office. Each additional line shall contain a square in which the voter may express his choice of that line in the same manner as he would express his choice of a candidate, and the line shall read ["None of these candidates."] "No preference."
- 2. Only votes cast for the named candidates shall be counted in determining nomination or election to any [statewide office or presidential nominations or the selection of presidential electors,] office, but for each office the number of ballots on which the additional line was chosen shall be listed following the names of the candidates and the number of their votes in every posting, abstract and proclamation of the results of the election.
- 3. Every sample ballot or other instruction to voters prescribed or approved by the Secretary of State shall clearly explain that the voter may mark his choice of the line ["None of these eandidates"] "No preference" only if he has not voted for any candidate for the office.".

Amend sec. 4, page 2, lines 29 and 30, by deleting:

"section 2 of this act or".

Amend sec. 5, page 2, by deleting line 41 and inserting:

"NRS 293.269, except that in a general".

Amend sec. 5, page 3, line 7, by deleting "3" and inserting "1".

Amend sec. 6, page 3, by deleting lines 26 through 35 and inserting:

"vote for any person for any office for which he has the right to vote, but none other, or to indicate a vote [against all candidates.] of no preference for any of the candidates for the office.".

Amend sec. 7, page 4, by deleting lines 14 through 17 and inserting:

"[.]; and".

Amend sec. 7, page 4, line 18, by deleting "(4)" and inserting "(3)".

Amend the title of the bill, third line, by deleting "certain offices;" and inserting "any office;".

Amend the summary of the bill to read as follows:

"SUMMARY—Provides for option of voting "no preference" for ballot question or office.

(BDR 24-1328)".