

SENATE BILL NO. 348—SENATORS TOWNSEND,
RAGGIO AND AMODEI

MARCH 25, 2005

Referred to Committee on Judiciary

SUMMARY—Revises qualifications for district judges.
(BDR 1-1102)

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

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

AN ACT relating to the Judicial Department; revising the qualifications for district judges; and providing other matters properly relating thereto.

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

- 1 **Section 1.** NRS 3.060 is hereby amended to read as follows:
2 3.060 1. **[A] Except as otherwise provided in subsection 2, a**
3 person shall not be a candidate for or be eligible to the office of
4 district judge:
5 (a) Unless he has attained the age of 25 years.
6 (b) Unless he is an attorney licensed and admitted to practice
7 law in the courts of this State.
8 (c) **Unless, for not less than 10 years next preceding the**
9 **election or appointment, he:**
10 (1) **Was licensed and admitted to practice law in the courts**
11 **of this State; or**
12 (2) **Served as a justice of the peace or municipal judge in**
13 **this State.**
14 (d) Unless he is a qualified elector and has been a bona fide
15 resident of this State for 2 years next preceding the election or
16 appointment.



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1 ~~(e)~~ (e) If he has ever been removed from any judicial office by
2 the Legislature or removed or retired from any judicial office by the
3 Commission on Judicial Discipline.

4 2. *The provisions of paragraph (c) of subsection 1 do not
5 apply to a district judge in a county whose population is less than
6 45,000.*

7 3. For the purposes of this section, a person shall not be
8 ineligible to be a candidate for the office of district judge if a
9 decision to remove or retire him from a judicial office is pending
10 appeal before the Supreme Court or has been overturned by the
11 Supreme Court.

12 **Sec. 2.** The amendatory provisions of this act do not abrogate
13 or affect the current term of office of any district judge who is
14 serving in that office on October 1, 2005.

