

SENATE BILL NO. 494—COMMITTEE ON LEGISLATIVE
OPERATIONS AND ELECTIONS

(ON BEHALF OF THE GOVERNOR)

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Referred to Committee on Legislative Operations and Elections

SUMMARY—Revises provisions governing the periods for reporting campaign contributions and expenditures. (BDR 24-1427)

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

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

AN ACT relating to elections; increasing the number of reports of campaign contributions and expenditures that candidates for certain offices and certain other persons must file; revising the periods of reporting that the candidates and other persons must include in each of those reports; providing that the reports shall be deemed to be filed on the dates the appropriate officer receives the reports; and providing other matters properly relating thereto.

Legislative Counsel's Digest:

1 Under existing law, a candidate for a state, district, county or township office
2 must submit to the appropriate officer a report setting forth each campaign
3 contribution in excess of \$100 which the candidate received during the applicable
4 period of reporting and all contributions received during that period from a
5 contributor which cumulatively exceed \$100. (NRS 294A.120) Similar
6 requirements are imposed for expenditures made by candidates and other persons
7 and groups that are subject to the requirements for reporting. (NRS 294A.140,
8 294A.150, 294A.200, 294A.210, 294A.220, 294A.360) Existing law generally
9 requires a candidate to file each report: (1) not later than 7 days before the primary
10 election for the period beginning on January 1 immediately preceding the primary
11 election through 12 days before the primary election; (2) not later than 7 days
12 before the general election for the period from 11 days before the primary election
13 through 12 days before the general election; and (3) not later than July 15 of the
14 year of the general election for the period from 11 days before the general election
15 through June 30 of that year. A similar cycle of reporting is imposed upon the
16 candidate for general elections that are held on or after July 1 of a year and before



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the next January 1. (NRS 294A.120, 294A.140, 294A.150, 294A.200, 294A.210, 294A.220, 294A.360) Existing law further states that each report shall be deemed to be filed with the appropriate officer on the date the report was mailed, if the report was sent by certified mail, or on the date the report was received by the officer, if it was sent by regular mail, transmitted by facsimile machine or electronic means, or delivered personally. (NRS 294A.120, 294A.125, 294A.140, 294A.150, 294A.200, 294A.210, 294A.220)

This bill requires a candidate for a state, district, county, city or township office to file the required reports of campaign contributions and expenditures: (1) twenty-one days before the primary election for the period beginning on January 1 immediately preceding the primary election through 25 days before the primary election; (2) three days before the primary election for the period from 24 days before the primary election through 5 days before the primary election; (3) twenty-one days before the general election for the period from 4 days before the primary election through 25 days before the general election; and (4) three days before the general election for the period from 24 days before the general election through 5 days before the general election. Similar provisions are applicable to other persons and groups that are subject to the reporting requirements. Finally, this bill provides that each report shall be deemed to be filed with the appropriate officer on the date that the officer receives the report, regardless of whether the report was sent by regular mail or certified mail, transmitted by facsimile machine or electronic means, or delivered personally.

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

Section 1. NRS 294A.120 is hereby amended to read as follows:

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

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

(a) ~~Seven~~ *Twenty-one* days before the primary election for that office, for the period from the January 1 immediately preceding the primary election through ~~12~~ *25* days before the primary election;



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(b) ~~[Seven]~~ *Three* days before the ~~[general]~~ *primary* election for that office, for the period from ~~[11]~~ *24* days before the primary election through ~~[12]~~ *5* days before the ~~[general election; and~~
~~—(c) July 15 of the year of]~~ *primary election;*

(c) *Twenty-one days before* the general election for that office, for the period from ~~[11]~~ *4* days before the ~~[general]~~ *primary* election through ~~[June 30 of that year,]~~ *25 days before the general election;*
and

(d) *Three days before the general election for that office, for the period from 24 days before the general election through 5 days before the general election,*

↪ report each campaign contribution in excess of \$100 he receives during the period and contributions received during the period from a contributor which cumulatively exceed \$100. The report must be completed on the form designed and provided by the Secretary of State pursuant to NRS 294A.373. Each form must be signed by the candidate under penalty of perjury.

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

(a) ~~[Seven]~~ *Twenty-one* days before the primary election for that office, for the period from the January 1 immediately preceding the primary election through ~~[12]~~ *25* days before the primary election;
~~[and~~

~~—(b) Seven]~~

(b) *Three* days before the ~~[general]~~ *primary* election for that office, for the period from ~~[11]~~ *24* days before the primary election through ~~[12]~~ *5* days before the ~~[general election,]~~ *primary election;*

(c) *Twenty-one days before the general election for that office, for the period from 4 days before the primary election through 25 days before the general election; and*

(d) *Three days before the general election for that office, for the period from 24 days before the general election through 5 days before the general election,*

↪ report each campaign contribution in excess of \$100 he received during the period and contributions received during the period from a contributor which cumulatively exceed \$100. The report must be completed on the form designed and provided by the Secretary of State pursuant to NRS 294A.373. Each form must be signed by the candidate under penalty of perjury.

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



1 (a) Seven days before the special election, for the period from
2 his nomination through 12 days before the special election; and

3 (b) Thirty days after the special election, for the remaining
4 period through the special election,

5 report each campaign contribution in excess of \$100 he received
6 during the period and contributions received during the reporting
7 period from a contributor which cumulatively exceed \$100. The
8 report must be completed on the form designed and provided by the
9 Secretary of State pursuant to NRS 294A.373. Each form must be
10 signed by the candidate under penalty of perjury.

11 5. Every candidate for state, district, county, municipal or
12 township office at a special election to determine whether a public
13 officer will be recalled shall list each of the campaign contributions
14 that he receives on the form designed and provided by the Secretary
15 of State pursuant to NRS 294A.373 and signed by the candidate
16 under penalty of perjury, 30 days after:

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

20 (b) A district court determines that the petition for recall is
21 legally insufficient pursuant to subsection 5 of NRS 306.040, for the
22 period from the filing of the notice of intent to circulate the petition
23 for recall through the date of the district court's decision.

24 6. Reports of campaign contributions must be filed with the
25 officer with whom the candidate filed the declaration of candidacy
26 or acceptance of candidacy. A candidate may mail or transmit the
27 report to that officer by regular mail, certified mail, facsimile
28 machine or electronic means. A report shall be deemed to be filed
29 with the officer ~~if~~:

30 ~~—(a) On the date that it was mailed if it was sent by certified mail;~~
31 ~~or~~

32 ~~—(b) On~~ *on* the date that it was received by the officer ~~if~~ ,
33 *regardless of whether* the report was sent by regular mail ~~if~~ *or*
34 *certified mail*, transmitted by facsimile machine or electronic
35 means, or delivered personally.

36 7. Every county clerk who receives from candidates for
37 legislative or judicial office, including, without limitation, the office
38 of justice of the peace or municipal judge, reports of campaign
39 contributions pursuant to this section shall file a copy of each report
40 with the Secretary of State within 10 working days after he receives
41 the report.

42 8. The name and address of the contributor and the date on
43 which the contribution was received must be included on the report
44 for each contribution in excess of \$100 and contributions which a



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1 contributor has made cumulatively in excess of that amount since
2 the beginning of the current reporting period.

3 **Sec. 2.** NRS 294A.125 is hereby amended to read as follows:

4 294A.125 1. In addition to complying with the requirements
5 set forth in NRS 294A.120, 294A.200 and 294A.360, a candidate
6 who receives contributions in any year before the year in which the
7 general election or general city election in which the candidate
8 intends to seek election to public office is held shall, for:

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

12 (b) Each year after the year in which he received contributions
13 in excess of \$10,000, until the year of the general election or general
14 city election in which the candidate intends to seek election to
15 public office is held, list each of the contributions that he received
16 and the expenditures in excess of \$100 made in that year.

17 2. The reports required by subsection 1 must be submitted on
18 the form designed and provided by the Secretary of State pursuant to
19 NRS 294A.373. Each form must be signed by the candidate under
20 penalty of perjury.

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

25 4. The report must be filed:

26 (a) With the officer with whom the candidate will file the
27 declaration of candidacy or acceptance of candidacy for the public
28 office the candidate intends to seek. A candidate may mail or
29 transmit the report to that officer by regular mail, certified mail,
30 facsimile machine or electronic means. A report shall be deemed to
31 be filed with the officer ~~if~~:

32 ~~— (1) On the date it was mailed if it was sent by certified mail.~~

33 ~~— (2) On~~ *on* the date it was received by the officer ~~if~~ *if* ,
34 *regardless of whether* the report was sent by regular mail ~~if~~ *or*
35 *certified mail*, transmitted by facsimile machine or electronic
36 means, or delivered personally.

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

39 5. A county clerk who receives from a candidate for legislative
40 or judicial office, including, without limitation, the office of justice
41 of the peace or municipal judge, a report of contributions and
42 expenditures pursuant to subsection 4 shall file a copy of the report
43 with the Secretary of State within 10 working days after he receives
44 the report.



Sec. 3. NRS 294A.140 is hereby amended to read as follows:

294A.140 1. Every person who is not under the direction or control of a candidate for office at a primary election, primary city election, general election or general city election, of a group of such candidates or of any person involved in the campaign of that candidate or group who makes an expenditure on behalf of the candidate or group which is not solicited or approved by the candidate or group, and every committee for political action, political party and committee sponsored by a political party which makes an expenditure on behalf of such a candidate or group of candidates shall, not later than January 15 of each year that the provisions of this subsection apply to the person, committee or political party, for the period from January 1 of the previous year through December 31 of the previous year, report each campaign contribution in excess of \$100 he or it received during the period and contributions received during the period from a contributor which cumulatively exceed \$100. The provisions of this subsection apply to the person, committee or political party beginning the year of the general election or general city election for that office through the year immediately preceding the next general election or general city election for that office.

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

(a) ~~Seven~~ *Twenty-one* days before the primary election or primary city election for that office, for the period from the January 1 immediately preceding the primary election or primary city election through ~~12~~ *25* days before the primary election or primary city election;

(b) ~~Seven~~ *Three* days before the ~~general~~ *primary* election or ~~general~~ *primary* city election for that office, for the period from ~~11~~ *24* days before the primary election or primary city election through ~~12~~ *5* days before the ~~general~~ *primary* election or ~~general~~ *primary* city election; ~~and~~

~~—(c) July 15 of the year of~~

(c) *Twenty-one days before* the general election or general city election for that office, for the period from ~~11~~ *4* days before the ~~general~~ *primary* election or ~~general~~ *primary* city election through ~~June 30 of that year.~~ *25 days before the general election or general city election; and*



(d) Three days before the general election or general city election for that office, for the period from 24 days before the general election or general city election through 5 days before the general election or general city election,

→ report each campaign contribution in excess of \$100 received during the period and contributions received during the period from a contributor which cumulatively exceed \$100. The report must be completed on the form designed and provided by the Secretary of State pursuant to NRS 294A.373. The form must be signed by the person or a representative of the committee or political party under penalty of perjury.

3. The name and address of the contributor and the date on which the contribution was received must be included on the report for each contribution in excess of \$100 and contributions which a contributor has made cumulatively in excess of \$100 since the beginning of the current reporting period.

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

(a) ~~[Seven]~~ *Twenty-one* days before the primary election or primary city election for that office, for the period from the January 1 immediately preceding the primary election or primary city election through ~~[12]~~ 25 days before the primary election or primary city election; ~~and~~

~~—(b) Seven]~~

(b) *Three* days before the ~~[general]~~ *primary* election or ~~[general]~~ *primary* city election for that office, for the period from ~~[11]~~ 24 days before the primary election or primary city election through ~~[12]~~ 5 days before the ~~[general]~~ *primary* election or ~~[general]~~ *primary* city election ~~[1]~~;

(c) *Twenty-one days before the general election or general city election for that office, for the period from 4 days before the primary election or primary city election through 25 days before the general election or general city election; and*

(d) Three days before the general election or general city election for that office, for the period from 24 days before the general election or general city election through 5 days before the general election or general city election,

→ report each campaign contribution in excess of \$100 received during the period and contributions received during the period from



1 a contributor which cumulatively exceed \$100. The report must be
2 completed on the form designed and provided by the Secretary of
3 State pursuant to NRS 294A.373. The form must be signed by the
4 person or a representative of the committee or political party under
5 penalty of perjury.

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

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

15 (b) Thirty days after the special election, for the remaining
16 period through the special election,

17 report each campaign contribution in excess of \$100 received
18 during the period and contributions received during the period from
19 a contributor which cumulatively exceed \$100. The report must be
20 completed on the form designed and provided by the Secretary of
21 State pursuant to NRS 294A.373. The form must be signed by the
22 person or a representative of the committee or political party under
23 penalty of perjury.

24 6. Every person, committee or political party described in
25 subsection 1 which makes an expenditure on behalf of a candidate
26 for office at a special election to determine whether a public officer
27 will be recalled or on behalf of a group of candidates for offices at
28 such special elections shall report each contribution in excess of
29 \$100 received during the period and contributions received during
30 the period from a contributor which cumulatively exceed \$100. The
31 report must be completed on the form designed and provided by the
32 Secretary of State pursuant to NRS 294A.373 and signed by the
33 person or a representative of the committee or political party under
34 penalty of perjury, 30 days after:

35 (a) The special election, for the period from the filing of the
36 notice of intent to circulate the petition for recall through the special
37 election; or

38 (b) If the special election is not held because a district court
39 determines that the petition for recall is legally insufficient pursuant
40 to subsection 5 of NRS 306.040, for the period from the filing of the
41 notice of intent to circulate the petition for recall through the date of
42 the district court's decision.

43 7. The reports of contributions required pursuant to this section
44 must be filed with:



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

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

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

8. A person or entity may file the report with the appropriate officer by regular mail, certified mail, facsimile machine or electronic means. A report shall be deemed to be filed with the officer ~~if~~:

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

~~(b) On~~ *on* the date that it was received by the officer ~~if~~ *if*, *regardless of whether* the report was sent by regular mail ~~if~~ *or* *certified mail*, transmitted by facsimile machine or electronic means, or delivered personally.

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

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

Sec. 4. NRS 294A.150 is hereby amended to read as follows:

294A.150 1. Every person or group of persons organized formally or informally who advocates the passage or defeat of a question or group of questions on the ballot at a primary election, primary city election, general election or general city election and every person or group of persons who initiates or circulates a petition for a constitutional amendment or a petition for a statewide measure proposed by an initiative or a referendum and who receives or expends money in an amount in excess of \$10,000 to support such initiation or circulation shall, not later than January 15 of each year that the provisions of this subsection apply to the person or group of persons, for the period from January 1 of the previous year through December 31 of the previous year, report each campaign contribution in excess of \$100 received during that period and contributions received during the period from a contributor which cumulatively exceed \$100. The report must be completed on the form designed and provided by the Secretary of State pursuant to NRS 294A.373. The form must be signed by the person or a representative of the group under penalty of perjury. The provisions of this subsection apply to the person or group of persons:

(a) Each year in which an election or city election is held for each question for which the person or group advocates passage or



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1 defeat or each year in which a person or group receives or expends
2 money in excess of \$10,000 to support the initiation or circulation of
3 a petition for a constitutional amendment or a petition for a
4 statewide measure proposed by an initiative or a referendum; and

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

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

22 (a) ~~[Seven]~~ *Twenty-one* days before the primary election or
23 primary city election, for the period from the January 1 immediately
24 preceding the primary election or primary city election through ~~[12]~~
25 *25* days before the primary election or primary city election;

26 (b) ~~[Seven]~~ *Three* days before the ~~[general]~~ *primary* election or
27 ~~[general]~~ *primary* city election, for the period from ~~[11]~~ *24* days
28 before the primary election or primary city election through ~~[12]~~ *5*
29 days before the ~~[general]~~ *primary* election or ~~[general]~~ *primary* city
30 election; ~~and~~

31 ~~—(c) July 15 of the year of]~~

32 (c) *Twenty-one days before* the general election or general city
33 election, for the period from ~~[11]~~ *4* days before the ~~[general]~~
34 *primary* election or ~~[general]~~ *primary* city election through ~~[June 30]~~
35 ~~of that year.]~~ *25 days before the general election or general city*
36 *election; and*

37 (d) *Three days before the general election or general city*
38 *election, for the period from 24 days before the general election or*
39 *general city election through 5 days before the general election or*
40 *general city election,*

41 ➔ report each campaign contribution in excess of \$100 received
42 during the period and contributions received during the period from
43 a contributor which cumulatively exceed \$100. The report must be
44 completed on the form designed and provided by the Secretary of



1 State pursuant to NRS 294A.373 and signed by the person or a
2 representative of the group under penalty of perjury.

3 3. The name and address of the contributor and the date on
4 which the contribution was received must be included on the report
5 for each contribution in excess of \$100 and contributions which a
6 contributor has made cumulatively in excess of that amount since
7 the beginning of the current reporting period.

8 4. If a question is on the ballot at a primary election or primary
9 city election and the general election or general city election
10 immediately following that primary election or primary city election
11 is held on or after July 1 and before the January 1 immediately
12 following that July 1, every person or group of persons organized
13 formally or informally who advocates the passage or defeat of the
14 question or a group of questions that includes the question shall
15 comply with the requirements of this subsection. If a question is on
16 the ballot at a general election or general city election held on or
17 after July 1 and before the January 1 immediately following that
18 July 1, every person or group of persons organized formally or
19 informally who advocates the passage or defeat of the question or a
20 group of questions that includes the question shall comply with the
21 requirements of this subsection. Every person or group of persons
22 who initiates or circulates a petition for a constitutional amendment
23 or a petition for a statewide measure proposed by an initiative or a
24 referendum and who receives or expends money in an amount in
25 excess of \$10,000 to support such initiation or circulation shall
26 comply with the requirements of this subsection. A person or group
27 of persons described in this subsection shall, not later than:

28 (a) ~~Seven~~ *Twenty-one* days before the primary election or
29 primary city election, for the period from the January 1 immediately
30 preceding the primary election or primary city election through ~~12~~
31 *25* days before the primary election or primary city election; ~~and~~

32 ~~—(b) Seven~~

33 (b) *Three* days before the ~~general~~ *primary* election or ~~general~~
34 *primary* city election, for the period from ~~11~~ *24* days before the
35 primary election or primary city election through ~~12~~ *5* days before
36 the ~~general~~ *primary* election or ~~general~~ *primary* city election ~~;~~ ;

37 (c) *Twenty-one days before the general election or general city*
38 *election, for the period from 4 days before the primary election or*
39 *primary city election through 25 days before the general election*
40 *or general city election; and*

41 (d) *Three days before the general election or general city*
42 *election, for the period from 24 days before the general election or*
43 *general city election through 5 days before the general election or*
44 *general city election,*



1 ➤ report each campaign contribution in excess of \$100 received
2 during the period and contributions received during the period from
3 a contributor which cumulatively exceed \$100. The report must be
4 completed on the form designed and provided by the Secretary of
5 State pursuant to NRS 294A.373. The form must be signed by the
6 person or a representative of the group under penalty of perjury.

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

11 (a) Seven days before the special election, for the period from
12 the date that the question qualified for the ballot through 12 days
13 before the special election; and

14 (b) Thirty days after the special election, for the remaining
15 period through the special election,

16 ➤ report each campaign contribution in excess of \$100 received
17 during the period and contributions received during the period from
18 a contributor which cumulatively exceed \$100. The report must be
19 completed on the form designed and provided by the Secretary of
20 State pursuant to NRS 294A.373. The form must be signed by the
21 person or a representative of the group under penalty of perjury.

22 6. Every person or group of persons organized formally or
23 informally who advocates the passage or defeat of a question or
24 group of questions on the ballot at a special election to determine
25 whether a public officer will be recalled shall report each of the
26 contributions received on the form designed and provided by
27 the Secretary of State pursuant to NRS 294A.373 and signed by the
28 person or a representative of the group under penalty of perjury, 30
29 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 special
32 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 pursuant
35 to subsection 5 of NRS 306.040, for the period from the filing of the
36 notice of intent to circulate the petition for recall through the date of
37 the district court's decision.

38 7. The reports required pursuant to this section must be filed
39 with:

40 (a) If the question is submitted to the voters of one county, the
41 county clerk of that county;

42 (b) If the question is submitted to the voters of one city, the city
43 clerk of that city; or

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



8. A person may mail or transmit his report to the appropriate officer by regular mail, certified mail, facsimile machine or electronic means. A report shall be deemed to be filed with the officer ~~[-~~:

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

~~—(b) On~~ *on* the date that it was received by the officer ~~[-]~~ *regardless of whether* the report was sent by regular mail ~~[-]~~ *or certified mail*, transmitted by facsimile machine or electronic means, or delivered personally.

9. If the person or group of persons is advocating passage or defeat of a group of questions or is receiving or expending money to support a group of petitions for constitutional amendments, a group of petitions for statewide measures proposed by initiative or referendum or a group of petitions for both constitutional amendments and statewide measures proposed by initiative or referendum, the reports must be itemized by question or petition.

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

Sec. 5. NRS 294A.200 is hereby amended to read as follows:

294A.200 1. Every candidate for state, district, county or township office at a primary or general election shall, not later than January 15 of each year, for the period from January 1 of the previous year through December 31 of the previous year, report each of the campaign expenses in excess of \$100 that he incurs and each amount in excess of \$100 that he disposes of pursuant to NRS 294A.160 during the period on the form designed and provided by the Secretary of State pursuant to NRS 294A.373. The form must be signed by the candidate under penalty of perjury. The provisions of this subsection apply to the candidate:

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

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

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



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(a) ~~[Seven]~~ *Twenty-one* days before the primary election for that office, for the period from the January 1 immediately preceding the primary election through ~~[+2]~~ *25* days before the primary election;

(b) ~~[Seven]~~ *Three* days before the ~~[general]~~ *primary* election for that office, for the period from ~~[+1]~~ *24* days before the primary election through ~~[+2]~~ *5* days before the ~~[general election; and~~

~~—(c) July 15 of the year of]~~ *primary election;*

(c) *Twenty-one days before* the general election for that office, for the period from ~~[+1]~~ *4* days before the ~~[general]~~ *primary* election through ~~[June 30 of that year,]~~ *25 days before the general election; and*

(d) *Three days before the general election for that office, for the period from 24 days before the general election through 5 days before the general election,*

➔ report each of the campaign expenses in excess of \$100 that he incurs during the period on the form designed and provided by the Secretary of State pursuant *to* NRS 294A.373. Each form must be signed by the candidate under penalty of perjury.

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

(a) ~~[Seven]~~ *Twenty-one* days before the primary election for that office, for the period from the January 1 immediately preceding the primary election through ~~[+2]~~ *25* days before the primary election; ~~[and~~

~~—(b) Seven]~~

(b) *Three* days before the ~~[general]~~ *primary* election for that office, for the period from ~~[+1]~~ *24* days before the primary election through ~~[+2]~~ *5* days before the ~~[general election,]~~ *primary election;*

(c) *Twenty-one days before the general election for that office, for the period from 4 days before the primary election through 25 days before the general election; and*

(d) *Three days before the general election for that office, for the period from 24 days before the general election through 5 days before the general election,*

➔ report each of the campaign expenses in excess of \$100 that he incurs during the period on the form designed and provided by the Secretary of State pursuant to NRS 294A.373. The form must be signed by the candidate under penalty of perjury.

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



(a) Seven days before the special election, for the period from his nomination through 12 days before the special election; and

(b) Thirty days after the special election, for the remaining period through the special election,

report each of the campaign expenses in excess of \$100 that he incurs during the period on the form designed and provided by the Secretary of State pursuant to NRS 294A.373. Each form must be signed by the candidate under penalty of perjury.

5. Every candidate for state, district, county, municipal or township office at a special election to determine whether a public officer will be recalled shall report each of the campaign expenses in excess of \$100 that he incurs on the form designed and provided by the Secretary of State pursuant *to* NRS 294A.373 and signed by the candidate under penalty of perjury, 30 days after:

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

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

6. Reports of campaign expenses must be filed with the officer with whom the candidate filed the declaration of candidacy or acceptance of candidacy. A candidate may mail or transmit the report to that officer by regular mail, certified mail, facsimile machine or electronic means. A report shall be deemed to be filed with the officer ~~if~~:

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

~~(b) On~~ *on* the date that it was received by the officer ~~if~~ *if*, *regardless of whether* the report was sent by regular mail ~~if~~ *or* *certified mail*, transmitted by facsimile machine or electronic means, or delivered personally.

7. County clerks who receive from candidates for legislative or judicial office, including, without limitation, the office of justice of the peace or municipal judge, reports of campaign expenses pursuant to this section shall file a copy of each report with the Secretary of State within 10 working days after he receives the report.

Sec. 6. NRS 294A.210 is hereby amended to read as follows:

294A.210 1. Every person who is not under the direction or control of a candidate for an office at a primary election, primary city election, general election or general city election, of a group of such candidates or of any person involved in the campaign of that



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1 candidate or group who makes an expenditure on behalf of
2 the candidate or group which is not solicited or approved by the
3 candidate or group, and every committee for political action,
4 political party or committee sponsored by a political party which
5 makes an expenditure on behalf of such a candidate or group of
6 candidates shall, not later than January 15 of each year that the
7 provisions of this subsection apply to the person, committee or
8 political party, for the period from January 1 of the previous year
9 through December 31 of the previous year, report each expenditure
10 made during the period on behalf of the candidate, the group of
11 candidates or a candidate in the group of candidates in excess of
12 \$100 on the form designed and provided by the Secretary of State
13 pursuant to NRS 294A.373. The form must be signed by the person
14 or a representative of the committee or political party under penalty
15 of perjury. The provisions of this subsection apply to the person,
16 committee or political party beginning the year of the general
17 election or general city election for that office through the year
18 immediately preceding the next general election or general city
19 election for that office.

20 2. 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 primary election, primary city election, general
23 election or general city election or a group of such candidates shall,
24 if the general election or general city election for the office for
25 which the candidate or a candidate in the group of candidates seeks
26 election is held on or after January 1 and before the July 1
27 immediately following that January 1, not later than:

28 (a) ~~[Seven]~~ *Twenty-one* days before the primary election or
29 primary city election for that office, for the period from the
30 January 1 immediately preceding the primary election or primary
31 city election through ~~[+2]~~ *25* days before the primary election or
32 primary city election;

33 (b) ~~[Seven]~~ *Three* days before the ~~[general]~~ *primary* election or
34 ~~[general]~~ *primary* city election for that office, for the period from
35 ~~[+1]~~ *24* days before the primary election or primary city election
36 through ~~[+2]~~ *5* days before the ~~[general]~~ *primary* election or
37 ~~[general]~~ *primary* city election; ~~and~~

38 ~~—(c) July 15 of the year of]~~

39 (c) *Twenty-one days before* the general election or general city
40 election for that office, for the period from ~~[+1]~~ *4* days before the
41 ~~[general]~~ *primary* election or ~~[general]~~ *primary* city election
42 through ~~[the June 30 of that year,]~~ *25 days before the general*
43 *election or general city election; and*

44 (d) *Three days before the general election or general city*
45 *election for that office, for the period from 24 days before the*



general election or general city election through 5 days before the general election or general city election,

➡ report each expenditure made during the period on behalf of the candidate, the group of candidates or a candidate in the group of candidates in excess of \$100 on the form designed and provided by the Secretary of State pursuant to NRS 294A.373. The form must be signed by the person or a representative of the committee or political party under penalty of perjury.

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

(a) ~~[Seven]~~ *Twenty-one* days before the primary election or primary city election for that office, for the period from the January 1 immediately preceding the primary election or primary city election through ~~[+2]~~ *25* days before the primary election or primary city election; ~~and~~

~~—(b) Seven~~
(b) *Three* days before the ~~[general]~~ *primary* election or ~~[general]~~ *primary* city election for that office, for the period from ~~[+1]~~ *24* days before the primary election or primary city election through ~~[+2]~~ *5* days before the ~~[general]~~ *primary* election or ~~[general]~~ *primary* city election ~~[+]~~ ;

(c) *Twenty-one days before the general election or general city election for that office, for the period from 4 days before the primary election or primary city election through 25 days before the general election or general city election; and*

(d) *Three days before the general election or general city election for that office, for the period from 24 days before the general election or general city election through 5 days before the general election or general city election,*

➡ report each expenditure made during the period on behalf of the candidate, the group of candidates or a candidate in the group of candidates in excess of \$100 on the form designed and provided by the Secretary of State pursuant to NRS 294A.373. The form must be signed by the person or a representative of the committee or political party under penalty of perjury.

4. Except as otherwise provided in subsection 5, every person, committee or political party described in subsection 1 which makes 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 seeks
5 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 expenditure made during the period on behalf of the
10 candidate, the group of candidates or a candidate in the group of
11 candidates in excess of \$100 on the form designed and provided by
12 the Secretary of State pursuant to NRS 294A.373. The form must be
13 signed by the person or a representative of the committee or political
14 party under penalty of perjury.

15 5. Every person, committee or political party described in
16 subsection 1 which makes an expenditure on behalf of a candidate
17 for office at a special election to determine whether a public officer
18 will be recalled or on behalf of a group of such candidates shall list
19 each expenditure made on behalf of the candidate, the group of
20 candidates or a candidate in the group of candidates in excess of
21 \$100 on the form designed and provided by the Secretary of State
22 pursuant to NRS 294A.373 and signed by the person or a
23 representative of the committee or political party under penalty of
24 perjury, 30 days after:

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

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

33 6. Expenditures made within the State or made elsewhere but
34 for use within the State, including expenditures made outside the
35 State for printing, television and radio broadcasting or other
36 production of the media, must be included in the report.

37 7. The reports must be filed with:

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

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

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

44 8. If an expenditure is made on behalf of a group of candidates,
45 the reports must be itemized by the candidate. A person may mail or



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1 transmit his report to the appropriate officer by regular mail,
2 certified mail, facsimile machine or electronic means. A report shall
3 be deemed to be filed with the officer ~~f~~;

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

6 ~~—(b) On~~ *on* the date that it was received by the officer ~~fif~~ ,
7 *regardless of whether* the report was sent by regular mail ~~f~~ *or*
8 *certified mail*, transmitted by facsimile machine or electronic
9 means, or delivered personally.

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

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

17 **Sec. 7.** NRS 294A.220 is hereby amended to read as follows:

18 294A.220 1. Every person or group of persons organized
19 formally or informally who advocates the passage or defeat of a
20 question or group of questions on the ballot at a primary election,
21 primary city election, general election or general city election and
22 every person or group of persons who initiates or circulates a
23 petition for a constitutional amendment or a petition for a statewide
24 measure proposed by an initiative or a referendum and who receives
25 or expends money in an amount in excess of \$10,000 to support
26 such initiation or circulation shall, not later than January 15 of each
27 year that the provisions of this subsection apply to the person or
28 group of persons, for the period from January 1 of the previous year
29 through December 31 of the previous year, report each expenditure
30 made during the period on behalf of or against the question, the
31 group of questions or a question in the group of questions on
32 the ballot in excess of \$100 on the form designed and provided by
33 the Secretary of State pursuant to NRS 294A.373. The form must be
34 signed by the person or a representative of the group under penalty
35 of perjury. The provisions of this subsection apply to the person or
36 group of persons:

37 (a) Each year in which an election or city election is held for a
38 question for which the person or group advocates passage or defeat
39 or each year in which a person or group of persons receives or
40 expends money in excess of \$10,000 to support the initiation or
41 circulation of a petition for a constitutional amendment or a petition
42 for a statewide measure proposed by an initiative or a referendum;
43 and

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



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

(a) ~~[Seven]~~ *Twenty-one* days before the primary election or primary city election, for the period from the January 1 immediately preceding the primary election or primary city election through ~~[12]~~ *25* days before the primary election or primary city election;

(b) ~~[Seven]~~ *Three* days before the ~~[general]~~ *primary* election or ~~[general]~~ *primary* city election, for the period from ~~[11]~~ *24* days before the primary election or primary city election through ~~[12]~~ *5* days before the ~~[general]~~ *primary* election or ~~[general]~~ *primary* city election; ~~and~~

~~—(c) July 15 of the year of]~~

(c) *Twenty-one days before* the general election or general city election, for the period from ~~[11]~~ *4* days before the ~~[general]~~ *primary* election or ~~[general]~~ *primary* city election through ~~[the June 30 immediately preceding that July 15,]~~ *25 days before the general election or general city election; and*

(d) *Three days before the general election or general city election, for the period from 24 days before the general election or general city election through 5 days before the general election or general city election,*

➤ report each expenditure made during the period on behalf of or against the question, the group of questions or a question in the group of questions on the ballot in excess of \$100 on the form designed and provided by the Secretary of State pursuant to NRS 294A.373 and signed by the person or a representative of the group under penalty of perjury.

3. If a question is on the ballot at a primary election or primary city election and the general election or general city election immediately following that primary election or primary city election is held on or after July 1 and before the January 1 immediately



1 following that July 1, every person or group of persons organized
2 formally or informally who advocates the passage or defeat of the
3 question or a group of questions that includes the question shall
4 comply with the requirements of this subsection. If a question is on
5 the ballot at a general election or general city election held on or
6 after July 1 and before the January 1 immediately following that
7 July 1, every person or group of persons organized formally or
8 informally who advocates the passage or defeat of the question or a
9 group of questions that includes the question shall comply with the
10 requirements of this subsection. Every person or group of persons
11 who initiates or circulates a petition for a constitutional amendment
12 or a petition for a statewide measure proposed by an initiative or a
13 referendum and who receives or expends money in an amount in
14 excess of \$10,000 to support such initiation or circulation shall
15 comply with the requirements of this subsection. A person or group
16 of persons described in this subsection shall, not later than:

17 (a) ~~[Seven]~~ *Twenty-one* days before the primary election or
18 primary city election, for the period from the January 1 immediately
19 preceding the primary election or primary city election through ~~[12]~~
20 *25* days before the primary election or primary city election; ~~and~~

21 ~~—(b) Seven]~~

22 (b) *Three* days before the ~~[general]~~ *primary* election or ~~[general]~~
23 *primary* city election, for the period from ~~[11]~~ *24* days before the
24 primary election or primary city election through ~~[12]~~ *5* days before
25 the ~~[general]~~ *primary* election or ~~[general]~~ *primary* city election ~~[1]~~ ;

26 (c) *Twenty-one days before the general election or general city*
27 *election, for the period from 4 days before the primary election or*
28 *primary city election through 25 days before the general election*
29 *or general city election; and*

30 (d) *Three days before the general election or general city*
31 *election, for the period from 24 days before the general election or*
32 *general city election through 5 days before the general election or*
33 *general city election,*

34 ➔ report each expenditure made during the period on behalf of or
35 against the question, the group of questions or a question in the
36 group of questions on the ballot in excess of \$100 on the form
37 designed and provided by the Secretary of State pursuant to NRS
38 294A.373. The form must be signed by the person or a
39 representative of the group under penalty of perjury.

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



1 (a) Seven days before the special election, for the period from
2 the date the question qualified for the ballot through 12 days before
3 the special election; and

4 (b) Thirty days after the special election, for the remaining
5 period through the special election,

6 ➔ report each expenditure made during the period on behalf of or
7 against the question, the group of questions or a question in the
8 group of questions on the ballot in excess of \$100 on the form
9 designed and provided by the Secretary of State pursuant to NRS
10 294A.373. The form must be signed by the person or a
11 representative of the group under penalty of perjury.

12 5. Every person or group of persons organized formally or
13 informally who advocates the passage or defeat of a question or
14 group of questions on the ballot at a special election to determine
15 whether a public officer will be recalled shall list each expenditure
16 made during the period on behalf of or against the question, the
17 group of questions or a question in the group of questions on
18 the ballot in excess of \$100 on the form designed and provided by
19 the Secretary of State pursuant to NRS 294A.373 and signed by the
20 person or a representative of the group under penalty of perjury, 30
21 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 through the special
24 election; or

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

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

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

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

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

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

42 8. If an expenditure is made on behalf of a group of questions
43 or a group of petitions for constitutional amendments, a group of
44 petitions for statewide measures proposed by initiative or
45 referendum or a group of petitions for both constitutional



1 amendments and statewide measures proposed by initiative or
2 referendum, the reports must be itemized by question or petition. A
3 person may mail or transmit his report to the appropriate filing
4 officer by regular mail, certified mail, facsimile machine or
5 electronic means. A report shall be deemed to be filed with the filing
6 officer ~~[-~~:

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

9 ~~—(b) On~~ *on* the date that it was received by the filing officer ~~[-]~~,
10 *regardless of whether* the report was sent by regular mail ~~[-]~~ *or*
11 *certified mail*, transmitted by facsimile machine or electronic
12 means, or delivered personally.

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

17 **Sec. 8.** NRS 294A.360 is hereby amended to read as follows:

18 294A.360 1. Every candidate for city office at a primary city
19 election or general city election shall file the reports in the manner
20 required by NRS 294A.120, 294A.128 and 294A.200 for other
21 offices not later than January 15 of each year, for the period from
22 January 1 of the previous year through December 31 of the previous
23 year. The provisions of this subsection apply to the candidate:

24 (a) Beginning the year of the general city election for that office
25 through the year immediately preceding the next general city
26 election for that office; and

27 (b) Each year immediately succeeding a calendar year during
28 which the candidate disposes of contributions pursuant to
29 NRS 294A.160.

30 2. Every candidate for city office at a primary city election or
31 general city election, if the general city election for the office for
32 which he is a candidate is held on or after January 1 and before the
33 July 1 immediately following that January 1, shall file the reports in
34 the manner required by NRS 294A.120, 294A.128 and 294A.200
35 for other offices not later than:

36 (a) ~~Seven~~ *Twenty-one* days before the primary city election for
37 that office, for the period from the January 1 immediately preceding
38 the primary city election through ~~[-2]~~ *25* days before the primary
39 city election;

40 (b) ~~Seven~~ *Three* days before the ~~general~~ *primary* city
41 election for that office, for the period from ~~[-1]~~ *24* days before the
42 primary city election through ~~[-2]~~ *5* days before the ~~general~~
43 *primary* city election; ~~and~~

44 ~~—(c) July 15 of the year of~~



1 (c) *Twenty-one days before* the general city election for that
2 office, for the period from ~~[+1]~~ 4 days before the ~~[general]~~ *primary*
3 city election through ~~[the June 30 of that year.]~~ *25 days before the*
4 *general city election; and*

5 (d) *Three days before the general city election for that office,*
6 *for the period from 24 days before the general city election*
7 *through 5 days before the general city election.*

8 3. Every candidate for city office at a primary city election or
9 general city election, if the general city election for the office for
10 which he is a candidate is held on or after July 1 and before the
11 January 1 immediately following that July 1, shall file the reports in
12 the manner required by NRS 294A.120, 294A.128 and 294A.200
13 for other offices not later than:

14 (a) ~~[Seven]~~ *Twenty-one* days before the primary city election for
15 that office, for the period from the January 1 immediately preceding
16 the primary city election through ~~[+2]~~ 25 days before the primary
17 city election; ~~[and~~

18 ~~—(b) Seven]~~

19 (b) *Three* days before the ~~[general]~~ *primary* city election for that
20 office, for the period from ~~[+1]~~ 24 days before the primary city
21 election through ~~[+2]~~ 5 days before the ~~[general]~~ *primary* city
22 election ~~[+]~~;

23 (c) *Twenty-one days before the general city election for that*
24 *office, for the period from 4 days before the primary city election*
25 *through 25 days before the general city election; and*

26 (d) *Three days before the general city election for that office,*
27 *for the period from 24 days before the general city election*
28 *through 5 days before the general city election.*

29 4. Except as otherwise provided in subsection 5, every
30 candidate for city office at a special election shall so file those
31 reports:

32 (a) Seven days before the special election, for the period from
33 his nomination through 12 days before the special election; and

34 (b) Thirty days after the special election, for the remaining
35 period through the special election.

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

39 (a) The special election, for the period from the filing of the
40 notice of intent to circulate the petition for recall through the special
41 election; or

42 (b) If the special election is not held because a district court
43 determines that the petition for recall is legally insufficient pursuant
44 to subsection 5 of NRS 306.040, for the period from the filing of the



- 1 notice of intent to circulate the petition for recall through the date of
- 2 the district court’s decision.

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