

SENATE BILL NO. 239—SENATORS SETTELMAYER, CEGAVSKE,
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SUMMARY—Revises provisions relating to elections.
(BDR 24-996)

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

AN ACT relating to elections; authorizing the Secretary of State to obtain certain information from the Social Security Administration relating to deceased residents; requiring county clerks to cancel the voter registrations of such persons under certain circumstances; authorizing county and city clerks to establish a program to distribute sample ballots to registered voters by electronic mail; and providing other matters properly relating thereto.

Legislative Counsel's Digest:

Existing law requires the Secretary of State to establish and maintain an official statewide voter registration list, in consultation with each county and city clerk, which must be regularly maintained to ensure the integrity of the voter registration and election processes. (NRS 293.675) Existing law also requires a county clerk to cancel the registration of a person if: (1) the county clerk has personal knowledge of the death of the person; or (2) an authenticated certificate of death of the person is filed in the county clerk's office. (NRS 293.540)

Section 3 of this bill authorizes the Secretary of State to obtain available information from the Social Security Administration relating to deceased residents of this State and to compare that information to the statewide voter registration list.

Section 3 also provides that if it appears after such comparison that a person on the statewide voter registration list is deceased, the Secretary of State shall provide written notification to the appropriate county clerk. **Section 1.5** of this bill requires



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the county clerk to cancel the voter registration of such a person if the county clerk has independently verified the person's death.

Under existing law, each county and city clerk is required to mail a sample ballot to each registered voter in the applicable county or city. (NRS 293.565, 293C.530) **Sections 2.5 and 5** of this bill authorize each county and city clerk to establish a program to distribute sample ballots by electronic mail. If a clerk establishes such a program, the clerk will be required to distribute sample ballots by electronic mail to each registered voter who elects to receive sample ballots in that manner. **Sections 1, 4 and 6-10** of this bill make conforming changes.

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

Section 1. NRS 293.097 is hereby amended to read as follows:

293.097 "Sample ballot" means a document distributed by a county or city clerk upon which is *included* a list of the offices, candidates and ballot questions that will appear on a ballot. The term includes any such document which is *generated or* printed by a computer *and which is distributed by mail or electronic mail.*

Sec. 1.5. NRS 293.540 is hereby amended to read as follows:

293.540 The county clerk shall cancel the registration:

1. If the county clerk has personal knowledge of the death of the person registered, or if an authenticated certificate of the death of any elector is filed in the county clerk's office. *For purposes of this subsection, a county clerk does not have personal knowledge of the death of a person registered if that knowledge is based solely on notification received from the Secretary of State pursuant to paragraph (b) of subsection 4 of NRS 293.675.*

2. *If the county clerk receives notification of the death of a person registered from the Secretary of State pursuant to paragraph (b) of subsection 4 of NRS 293.675 and the county clerk has independently verified the person's death. For purposes of this subsection, the county clerk may use any reasonable and reliable means of independent verification.*

3. If the insanity or mental incompetence of the person registered is legally established.

~~13-1~~ 4. Upon the determination that the person registered has been convicted of a felony unless:

(a) If the person registered was convicted of a felony in this State, the right to vote of the person has been restored pursuant to the provisions of NRS 213.090, 213.155 or 213.157.

(b) If the person registered was convicted of a felony in another state, the right to vote of the person has been restored pursuant to the laws of the state in which the person was convicted.

~~14-1~~ 5. Upon the production of a certified copy of the judgment of any court directing the cancellation to be made.



~~15.1~~ 6. Upon the request of any registered voter to affiliate with any political party or to change affiliation, if that change is made before the end of the last day to register to vote in the election.

~~16.1~~ 7. At the request of the person registered.

~~17.1~~ 8. If the county clerk has discovered an incorrect registration pursuant to the provisions of NRS 293.5235, 293.530 or 293.535 and the elector has failed to respond or appear to vote within the required time.

~~18.1~~ 9. As required by NRS 293.541.

~~19.1~~ 10. Upon verification that the application to register to vote is a duplicate if the county clerk has the original or another duplicate of the application on file in the county clerk's office.

Sec. 2. NRS 293.543 is hereby amended to read as follows:

293.543 1. If the registration of an elector is cancelled pursuant to subsection ~~12.1~~ 3 of NRS 293.540, the county clerk shall reregister the elector upon notice from the clerk of the district court that the elector has been declared sane or mentally competent by the district court.

2. If the registration of an elector is cancelled pursuant to subsection ~~13.1~~ 4 of NRS 293.540, the elector may reregister after presenting satisfactory evidence which demonstrates that the elector's:

(a) Conviction has been overturned; or

(b) Civil rights have been restored:

(1) If the elector was convicted in this State, pursuant to the provisions of NRS 213.090, 213.155 or 213.157.

(2) If the elector was convicted in another state, pursuant to the laws of the state in which he or she was convicted.

3. If the registration of an elector is cancelled pursuant to the provisions of subsection ~~15.1~~ 6 of NRS 293.540, the elector may reregister immediately.

4. If the registration of an elector is cancelled pursuant to the provisions of subsection ~~16.1~~ 7 of NRS 293.540, after the close of registration for a primary election, the elector may not reregister until after the primary election.

Sec. 2.5. NRS 293.565 is hereby amended to read as follows:

293.565 1. Except as otherwise provided in subsection 3, sample ballots must include:

(a) If applicable, the statement required by NRS 293.267;

(b) The fiscal note or description of anticipated financial effect, as provided pursuant to NRS 218D.810, 293.250, 293.481, 293.482, 295.015 or 295.095 for each proposed constitutional amendment, statewide measure, measure to be voted upon only by a special district or political subdivision and advisory question;



(c) An explanation, as provided pursuant to NRS 218D.810, 293.250, 293.481, 293.482 or 295.121, of each proposed constitutional amendment, statewide measure, measure to be voted upon only by a special district or political subdivision and advisory question;

(d) Arguments for and against each proposed constitutional amendment, statewide measure, measure to be voted upon only by a special district or political subdivision and advisory question, and rebuttals to each argument, as provided pursuant to NRS 218D.810, 293.250, 293.252, 293.481, 293.482 or 295.121; and

(e) The full text of each proposed constitutional amendment.

2. If, pursuant to the provisions of NRS 293.2565, the word "Incumbent" must appear on the ballot next to the name of the candidate who is the incumbent, the word "Incumbent" must appear on the sample ballot next to the name of the candidate who is the incumbent.

3. Sample ballots that are mailed to registered voters may be printed without the full text of each proposed constitutional amendment if:

(a) The cost of printing the sample ballots would be significantly reduced if the full text of each proposed constitutional amendment were not included;

(b) The county clerk ensures that a sample ballot that includes the full text of each proposed constitutional amendment is provided at no charge to each registered voter who requests such a sample ballot; and

(c) The sample ballots provided to each polling place include the full text of each proposed constitutional amendment.

4. *The county clerk may establish a program to distribute sample ballots to registered voters by electronic mail pursuant to the procedures and requirements set forth by regulations adopted by the Secretary of State.*

5. *If the county clerk establishes a program pursuant to subsection 4 to distribute sample ballots to registered voters by electronic mail, a registered voter may elect to receive a sample ballot by electronic mail. If a registered voter elects to receive a sample ballot by electronic mail, the county clerk shall distribute the sample ballot to the registered voter by electronic mail pursuant to the procedures and requirements set forth by regulations adopted by the Secretary of State. If a registered voter does not elect to receive a sample ballot by electronic mail, the county clerk shall distribute the sample ballot to the registered voter by mail.*

6. Before the period for early voting for any election begins, the county clerk shall cause to be ~~mailed~~ distributed by mail or



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1 *electronic mail, as applicable*, to each registered voter in the county
2 ~~the~~ the sample ballot for his or her precinct, with a notice informing
3 the voter of the location of his or her polling place. If the location of
4 the polling place has changed since the last election:

5 (a) The county clerk shall mail a notice of the change to each
6 registered voter in the county not sooner than 10 days before
7 ~~mailing~~ *distributing* the sample ballots; or

8 (b) The sample ballot must also include a notice in bold type
9 immediately above the location which states:

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11 NOTICE: THE LOCATION OF YOUR POLLING PLACE
12 HAS CHANGED SINCE THE LAST ELECTION
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14 ~~7.~~ 7. Except as otherwise provided in subsection ~~8,~~ 8, a
15 sample ballot ~~required to be mailed~~ *distributed* pursuant to this
16 section must:

17 (a) Be ~~printed~~ *prepared* in at least 12-point type; and

18 (b) Include on the front page, in a separate box created by bold
19 lines, a notice ~~printed~~ *prepared* in at least 20-point bold type that
20 states:
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22 NOTICE: TO RECEIVE A SAMPLE BALLOT IN
23 LARGE TYPE, CALL (Insert appropriate telephone number)
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25 ~~8.~~ 8. A portion of a sample ballot that contains a facsimile of
26 the display area of a voting device may include material in less than
27 12-point type to the extent necessary to make the facsimile fit on the
28 pages of the sample ballot.

29 ~~9.~~ 9. The sample ballot ~~mailed~~ *distributed* to a person who
30 requests a sample ballot in large type by exercising the option
31 provided pursuant to NRS 293.508, or in any other manner, must be
32 ~~printed~~ *prepared* in at least 14-point type, or larger when
33 practicable.

34 ~~10.~~ 10. If a person requests a sample ballot in large type, the
35 county clerk shall ensure that all future sample ballots ~~mailed~~
36 *distributed* to that person from the county are in large type.

37 ~~11.~~ 11. The county clerk shall include in each sample ballot a
38 statement indicating that the county clerk will, upon request of a
39 voter who is elderly or disabled, make reasonable accommodations
40 to allow the voter to vote at his or her polling place and provide
41 reasonable assistance to the voter in casting his or her vote,
42 including, without limitation, providing appropriate materials to
43 assist the voter. In addition, if the county clerk has provided
44 pursuant to subsection 4 of NRS 293.2955 for the placement at
45 centralized voting locations of specially equipped voting devices for



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1 use by voters who are elderly or disabled, the county clerk shall
2 include in the sample ballot a statement indicating:

- 3 (a) The addresses of such centralized voting locations;
- 4 (b) The types of specially equipped voting devices available at
5 such centralized voting locations; and
- 6 (c) That a voter who is elderly or disabled may cast his or her
7 ballot at such a centralized voting location rather than at his or her
8 regularly designated polling place.

9 **12.** The cost of *distributing* sample ballots for any election
10 other than a primary or general election must be borne by the
11 political subdivision holding the election.

12 **Sec. 3.** NRS 293.675 is hereby amended to read as follows:

13 293.675 1. The Secretary of State shall establish and
14 maintain an official statewide voter registration list, which may be
15 maintained on the Internet, in consultation with each county and city
16 clerk.

17 2. The statewide voter registration list must:

- 18 (a) Be a uniform, centralized and interactive computerized list;
- 19 (b) Serve as the single method for storing and managing the
20 official list of registered voters in this State;
- 21 (c) Serve as the official list of registered voters for the conduct
22 of all elections in this State;
- 23 (d) Contain the name and registration information of every
24 legally registered voter in this State;
- 25 (e) Include a unique identifier assigned by the Secretary of State
26 to each legally registered voter in this State;
- 27 (f) Except as otherwise provided in subsection 6, be coordinated
28 with the appropriate databases of other agencies in this State;
- 29 (g) Be electronically accessible to each state and local election
30 official in this State at all times;
- 31 (h) Except as otherwise provided in subsection 7, allow for data
32 to be shared with other states under certain circumstances; and
- 33 (i) Be regularly maintained to ensure the integrity of the
34 registration process and the election process.

35 3. Each county and city clerk shall:

- 36 (a) Electronically enter into the statewide voter registration list
37 all information related to voter registration obtained by the county
38 or city clerk at the time the information is provided to the county or
39 city clerk; and
- 40 (b) Provide the Secretary of State with information concerning
41 the voter registration of the county or city and other reasonable
42 information requested by the Secretary of State in the form required
43 by the Secretary of State to establish or maintain the statewide voter
44 registration list.



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1 4. In establishing and maintaining the statewide voter
2 registration list, the Secretary of State ~~{shall enter}~~ :

3 *(a) Shall enter* into a cooperative agreement with the
4 Department of Motor Vehicles to match information in the database
5 of the statewide voter registration list with information in the
6 appropriate database of the Department of Motor Vehicles to verify
7 the accuracy of the information in an application to register to vote
8 ~~H~~; and

9 *(b) May obtain from the Social Security Administration*
10 *available information relating to deceased residents of this State*
11 *and compare the information received to the statewide voter*
12 *registration list. If it appears based on information received*
13 *pursuant to this paragraph that a registered voter is deceased, the*
14 *Secretary of State shall provide written notification to the*
15 *appropriate county clerk.*

16 5. The Department of Motor Vehicles shall enter into an
17 agreement with the Social Security Administration pursuant to 42
18 U.S.C. § 15483, to verify the accuracy of information in an
19 application to register to vote.

20 6. Except as otherwise provided in NRS 481.063 or any
21 provision of law providing for the confidentiality of information, the
22 Secretary of State may enter into an agreement with an agency of
23 this State pursuant to which the agency provides to the Secretary of
24 State any information in the possession of the agency that the
25 Secretary of State deems necessary to maintain the statewide voter
26 registration list.

27 7. The Secretary of State may:

28 (a) Request from the chief officer of elections of another state
29 any information which the Secretary of State deems necessary to
30 maintain the statewide voter registration list; and

31 (b) Provide to the chief officer of elections of another state any
32 information which is requested and which the Secretary of State
33 deems necessary for the chief officer of elections of that state to
34 maintain a voter registration list, if the Secretary of State is satisfied
35 that the information provided pursuant to this paragraph will be used
36 only for the maintenance of that voter registration list.

37 **Sec. 4.** NRS 293.780 is hereby amended to read as follows:

38 293.780 1. A person who is entitled to vote shall not vote or
39 attempt to vote more than once at the same election. Any person
40 who votes or attempts to vote twice at the same election is guilty of
41 a category D felony and shall be punished as provided in
42 NRS 193.130.

43 2. Notice of the provisions of subsection 1 must be given by
44 the county or city clerk as follows:



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(a) ~~{Printed}~~ *Stated* on all sample ballots ~~{mailed;}~~ *distributed by mail or electronic mail;*

(b) Posted in boldface type at each polling place; and

(c) Posted in boldface type at the office of the county or city clerk.

Sec. 5. NRS 293C.530 is hereby amended to read as follows:

293C.530 1. *The city clerk may establish a program to distribute sample ballots to registered voters by electronic mail pursuant to the procedures and requirements set forth by regulations adopted by the Secretary of State.*

2. *If the city clerk establishes a program pursuant to subsection 1 to distribute sample ballots to registered voters by electronic mail, a registered voter may elect to receive a sample ballot by electronic mail. If a registered voter elects to receive a sample ballot by electronic mail, the city clerk shall distribute the sample ballot to the registered voter by electronic mail pursuant to the procedures and requirements set forth by regulations adopted by the Secretary of State. If a registered voter does not elect to receive a sample ballot by electronic mail, the city clerk shall distribute the sample ballot to the registered voter by mail.*

3. Before the period for early voting for any election begins, the city clerk shall cause to be ~~{mailed}~~ *distributed by mail or electronic mail, as applicable,* to each registered voter in the city ~~{a}~~ *the* sample ballot for his or her precinct, with a notice informing the voter of the location of his or her polling place. If the location of the polling place has changed since the last election:

(a) The city clerk shall mail a notice of the change to each registered voter in the city not sooner than 10 days before ~~{mailing}~~ *distributing* the sample ballots; or

(b) The sample ballot must also include a notice in bold type immediately above the location which states:

NOTICE: THE LOCATION OF YOUR POLLING PLACE
HAS CHANGED SINCE THE LAST ELECTION

~~{2-}~~ 4. Except as otherwise provided in subsection ~~{4-}~~ 6, a sample ballot ~~{required to be mailed}~~ *distributed* pursuant to this section must:

(a) Be ~~{printed}~~ *prepared* in at least 12-point type;

(b) Include the description of the anticipated financial effect and explanation of each citywide measure and advisory question, including arguments for and against the measure or question, as required pursuant to NRS 293.481, 293.482, 295.205 or 295.217; and



(c) Include on the front page, in a separate box created by bold lines, a notice printed in at least 20-point bold type that states:

NOTICE: TO RECEIVE A SAMPLE BALLOT IN
LARGE TYPE, CALL (Insert appropriate telephone number)

~~13-1~~ 5. The word "Incumbent" must appear on the sample ballot next to the name of the candidate who is the incumbent, if required pursuant to NRS 293.2565.

~~14-1~~ 6. A portion of a sample ballot that contains a facsimile of the display area of a voting device may include material in less than 12-point type to the extent necessary to make the facsimile fit on the pages of the sample ballot.

~~15-1~~ 7. The sample ballot ~~mailed~~ distributed to a person who requests a sample ballot in large type by exercising the option provided pursuant to NRS 293.508, or in any other manner, must be printed in at least 14-point type, or larger when practicable.

~~16-1~~ 8. If a person requests a sample ballot in large type, the city clerk shall ensure that all future sample ballots mailed to that person from the city are in large type.

~~17-1~~ 9. The city clerk shall include in each sample ballot a statement indicating that the city clerk will, upon request of a voter who is elderly or disabled, make reasonable accommodations to allow the voter to vote at his or her polling place and provide reasonable assistance to the voter in casting his or her vote, including, without limitation, providing appropriate materials to assist the voter. In addition, if the city clerk has provided pursuant to subsection 4 of NRS 293C.281 for the placement at centralized voting locations of specially equipped voting devices for use by voters who are elderly or disabled, the city clerk shall include in the sample ballot a statement indicating:

(a) The addresses of such centralized voting locations;

(b) The types of specially equipped voting devices available at such centralized voting locations; and

(c) That a voter who is elderly or disabled may cast his or her ballot at such a centralized voting location rather than at the voter's regularly designated polling place.

~~18-1~~ 10. The cost of ~~mailing~~ distributing sample ballots for a city election must be borne by the city holding the election.

Sec. 6. NRS 244A.785 is hereby amended to read as follows:

244A.785 1. The board of county commissioners of a county whose population is 700,000 or more may, by ordinance, create one or more districts within the unincorporated area of the county for the support of public parks. Such a district may include territory within



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1 the boundary of an incorporated city if so provided by interlocal
2 agreement between the county and the city.

3 2. The ordinance creating a district must specify its boundaries.
4 The area included within the district may be contiguous or
5 noncontiguous. The boundaries set by the ordinance are not affected
6 by later annexations to or incorporation of a city.

7 3. The alteration of the boundaries of such a district may be
8 initiated by:

9 (a) A petition proposed unanimously by the owners of the
10 property which is located in the proposed area which was not
11 previously included in the district; or

12 (b) A resolution adopted by the board of county commissioners
13 on its own motion.

14 ➔ If the board of county commissioners proposes on its own motion
15 to alter the boundaries of a district for the support of public parks, it
16 shall, at the next primary or general election, submit to the
17 registered voters who reside in the proposed area which was not
18 previously included in the district, the question of whether the
19 boundaries of the district shall be altered. If a majority of the voters
20 approve the question, the board shall, by ordinance, alter the
21 boundaries of the district as approved by the voters.

22 4. The sample ballot required to be ~~mailed~~ *distributed*
23 pursuant to NRS 293.565 must include for the question described in
24 subsection 3, a disclosure of any future increase or decrease in costs
25 which may be reasonably anticipated in relation to the purposes of
26 the district for the support of public parks and its probable effect on
27 the district's tax rate.

28 **Sec. 7.** NRS 266.0325 is hereby amended to read as follows:

29 266.0325 1. At least 10 days before an election held pursuant
30 to NRS 266.029, the county clerk or registrar of voters shall cause to
31 be ~~mailed~~ *distributed* to each qualified elector *by mail or*
32 *electronic mail, as applicable*, a sample ballot for the elector's
33 precinct with a notice informing the elector of the location of the
34 polling place for that precinct.

35 2. The sample ballot must:

36 (a) Be in the form required by NRS 266.032.

37 (b) Include the information required by NRS 266.032.

38 (c) Except as otherwise provided in subsection 3, be ~~printed~~
39 *prepared* in at least 12-point type.

40 (d) Describe the area proposed to be incorporated by assessor's
41 parcel maps, existing boundaries of subdivision or parcel maps,
42 identifying visible ground features, extensions of the visible ground
43 features, or by any boundary that coincides with the official
44 boundary of the State, a county, a city, a township, a section or any
45 combination thereof.



(e) Contain a copy of the map or plat that was submitted with the petition pursuant to NRS 266.019 and depicts the existing dedicated streets, sewer interceptors and outfalls and their proposed extensions.

(f) Include on the front page, in a separate box created by bold lines, a notice ~~printed~~ prepared in at least 20-point bold type that states:

NOTICE: TO RECEIVE A SAMPLE BALLOT IN
LARGE TYPE, CALL (Insert appropriate telephone number)

3. A portion of a sample ballot that contains a facsimile of the display area of a voting device may include material in less than 12-point type to the extent necessary to make the facsimile fit on ~~the pages of~~ the sample ballot.

4. The sample ballot ~~mailed~~ distributed to a person who requests a sample ballot in large type by exercising the option provided pursuant to NRS 293.508, or in any other manner, must be ~~printed~~ prepared in at least 14-point type, or larger when practicable.

5. If a person requests a sample ballot in large type, the county clerk shall ensure that all future sample ballots ~~mailed~~ distributed to that person from the county are in large type.

Sec. 8. NRS 349.015 is hereby amended to read as follows:

349.015 1. Except as otherwise provided in subsection 3, the sample ballot required to be ~~mailed~~ distributed pursuant to NRS 293.565 or 293C.530, and the notice of election must contain:

(a) The time and places of holding the election.

(b) The hours during the day in which the polls will be open, which must be the same as provided for general elections.

(c) The purposes for which the bonds are to be issued.

(d) A disclosure of any:

(1) Future increase or decrease in costs which can reasonably be anticipated in relation to the purposes for which the obligations are to be issued and its probable effect on the tax rate; and

(2) Requirement relating to the bond question which is imposed pursuant to a court order or state or federal statute and the probable consequences which will result if the bond question is not approved by the voters.

(e) An estimate of the annual cost to operate, maintain and repair any buildings, structures or other facilities or improvements to be constructed or acquired with the proceeds of the bonds.

(f) The maximum amount of the bonds.

(g) The maximum rate of interest.

(h) The maximum number of years which the bonds are to run.



2. Any election called pursuant to NRS 349.010 to 349.070, inclusive, may be consolidated with a primary or general election.

3. If the election is consolidated with a general election, the notice of election need not set forth the places of holding the election, but may instead state that the places of holding the election will be the same as those provided for the general election.

Sec. 9. NRS 350.024 is hereby amended to read as follows:

350.024 1. The ballot question for a proposal submitted to the electors of a municipality pursuant to subsection 1 of NRS 350.020 must contain the principal amount of the general obligations to be issued or incurred, the purpose of the issuance or incurrence of the general obligations and an estimate established by the governing body of:

(a) The duration of the levy of property tax that will be used to pay the general obligations; and

(b) The average annual increase, if any, in the amount of property taxes that an owner of a new home with a fair market value of \$100,000 will pay for debt service on the general obligations to be issued or incurred.

2. Except as otherwise provided in subsection 4, the sample ballot required to be ~~mailed~~ *distributed* pursuant to NRS 293.565 or 293C.530 and the notice of election must contain:

(a) The time and places of holding the election.

(b) The hours during the day in which the polls will be open, which must be the same as provided for general elections.

(c) The ballot question.

(d) The maximum amount of the obligations, including the anticipated interest, separately stating the total principal, the total anticipated interest and the anticipated interest rate.

(e) An estimate of the range of property tax rates stated in dollars and cents per \$100 of assessed value necessary to provide for debt service upon the obligations for the dates when they are to be redeemed. The municipality shall, for each such date, furnish an estimate of the assessed value of the property against which the obligations are to be issued or incurred, and the governing body shall estimate the tax rate based upon the assessed value of the property as given in the assessor's estimates.

3. If an operating or maintenance rate is proposed in conjunction with the question to issue obligations, the questions may be combined, but the sample ballot and notice of election must each state the tax rate required for the obligations separately from the rate proposed for operation and maintenance.

4. Any election called pursuant to NRS 350.020 to 350.070, inclusive, may be consolidated with a primary or general municipal election or a primary or general state election. The notice of election



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1 need not set forth the places of holding the election, but may instead
2 state that the places of holding the election will be the same as those
3 provided for the election with which it is consolidated.

4 5. If the election is a special election, the clerk shall cause
5 notice of the close of registration to be published in a newspaper
6 printed in and having a general circulation in the municipality once
7 in each calendar week for 2 successive calendar weeks next
8 preceding the close of registration for the election.

9 **Sec. 10.** NRS 350.027 is hereby amended to read as follows:

10 350.027 1. In addition to any requirements imposed pursuant
11 to NRS 350.024, any sample ballot required to be ~~mailed~~
12 ~~distributed~~ pursuant to NRS 293.565 or 293C.530 and any notice of
13 election, for an election that includes a proposal for the issuance by
14 any municipality of any bonds or other securities, including an
15 election that is not called pursuant to NRS 350.020 to 350.070,
16 inclusive, must contain an estimate of the annual cost to operate,
17 maintain and repair any buildings, structures or other facilities or
18 improvements to be constructed or acquired with the proceeds of the
19 bonds or other securities.

20 2. For the purposes of this section, "municipality" has the
21 meaning ascribed to it in NRS 350.538.

22 **Sec. 11.** 1. This section and sections 1, 2.5 and 4 to 10,
23 inclusive, of this act become effective upon passage and approval
24 for purposes of adopting regulations and performing any other
25 preparatory administrative tasks that are necessary to carry out the
26 provisions of those sections and on January 1, 2014, for all other
27 purposes.

28 2. Sections 1.5, 2 and 3 of this act become effective on
29 October 1, 2013.

