

Amendment No. 583

Assembly Amendment to Assembly Bill No. 345
(BDR 24-873)

Proposed by: Assemblyman Frierson

Amendment Box: Consistent with Amendment No. 532.

Amends: Summary: No Title: Yes Preamble: No Joint Sponsorship: No Digest: Yes

Adoption of this amendment will MAINTAIN the unfunded mandate not requested by the affected local government to A.B. 345 (§§ 8-10, 79-81).

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EXPLANATION: Matter in (1) *blue bold italics* is new language in the original bill; (2) variations of **green bold underlining** is language proposed to be added in this amendment; (3) ~~red-strikethrough~~ is deleted language in the original bill; (4) ~~purple double strikethrough~~ is language proposed to be deleted in this amendment; (5) orange double underlining is deleted language in the original bill proposed to be retained in this amendment.



ASSEMBLY BILL NO. 345--ASSEMBLYMEN FRIERSON,
BENITEZ-THOMPSON, JAUREGUI AND YEAGER

MARCH 18, 2019

Referred to Committee on Legislative Operations and Elections

SUMMARY—Makes various changes relating to elections. (BDR 24-873)

FISCAL NOTE: Effect on Local Government: May have Fiscal Impact.
Effect on the State: Yes.CONTAINS UNFUNDED MANDATE (§§ 8-10, 79-81)
(NOT REQUESTED BY AFFECTED LOCAL GOVERNMENT)

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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 each county and city clerk to establish polling places where any registered voter of the county or city, respectively, may vote in person on the day of certain elections; authorizing an elector to register to vote during the period for early voting and on the day of certain elections and setting forth the requirements for such registration; requiring the Secretary of State to establish a system for voter registration on the Internet website of the Secretary of State and setting forth certain requirements for that system; requiring the Department of Motor Vehicles to provide a form to decline voter registration or indicate a political party affiliation after concluding certain transactions with the Department; requiring a county clerk to reject certain applications to register to vote that are automatically transmitted to the county clerk by the Department of Motor Vehicles; revising requirements to publish certain information relating to elections in a newspaper; revising certain provisions relating to a student trainee serving as election board officer; requiring a provisional ballot to include all offices, candidates and measures upon which the person casting the provisional ballot would be entitled to vote if he or she were casting a regular ballot; revising certain deadlines related to absent ballots; authorizing a registered voter to request an absentee ballot for all elections; revising certain other requirements for absent ballots; revising the hours for early voting; authorizing county and city clerks to extend the hours for early voting after the hours have been published; establishing certain protections for private property owners who rent private property for use as a polling place; authorizing certain persons who are 17 years of age to vote at a primary city election or primary election under certain circumstances; establishing certain requirements for the database of the

Department of Motor Vehicles relating to processing and verifying voter registration information; and providing other matters properly relating thereto.

Legislative Counsel's Digest:

Existing law requires a county clerk to establish the boundaries of election precincts and authorizes election precincts to be combined into election districts. (NRS 293.205-293.209) Existing law prohibits a person from applying for or receiving a ballot at any election precinct or district other than the one at which the person is entitled to vote. (NRS 293.730) **Section 2** of this bill authorizes a county clerk to establish one or more polling places in the county where any person entitled to vote in the county by personal appearance may do so on the day of a primary or general election. **Section 3** of this bill requires the county clerk to publicize the location of such polling places. **Section 4** of this bill requires the county clerk to prepare a roster of registered voters in the county for any such polling place. **Section 5** of this bill sets forth the procedure for a person to vote in person at any such polling place. **Sections 73-76** of this bill set forth corresponding provisions authorizing city clerks to establish polling places where any person who is entitled to vote in the city by personal appearance may do so on the day of the primary city or general city election.

Existing law sets forth deadlines for registering to vote by mail, computer or appearing in person at the office of a county or city clerk. (NRS 293.560, 293C.527) The last day to register to vote for a primary election, primary city election, general election or general city election: (1) by mail is the fourth Tuesday preceding the election; (2) by appearing in person at the office of the county or city clerk, as applicable, is the third Tuesday preceding the election; and (3) by computer is the Thursday preceding the first day of the period for early voting for the election. **Sections 64 and 105** of this bill extend the deadline for registering to vote by computer to authorize an elector to register to vote by computer during the period for early voting using the application to register to vote provided on the website of the Office of the Secretary of State. **Sections 6 and 77** of this bill provide that an elector who registers to vote during the period for early voting may only vote on election day. **Sections 7 and 78** of this bill amend **sections 6 and 77** to provide that, effective January 1, 2022, a person who registers to vote by computer during the period for early voting may vote during the period of early voting or on election day.

Sections 9 and 80 of this bill authorize an elector to register to vote in person for a primary, primary city, general or general city election on the day of the election. To register to vote, **sections 9 and 80** require an elector to appear at a polling place on election day, complete an application to register to vote by computer and provide proof of identity and residence. Upon completion of the application and verification of identity and residence, the elector is deemed registered to vote and may vote in that election only at the polling place at which he or she registered to vote and must vote by casting a provisional ballot.

Effective January 1, 2022, **sections 8 and 79** of this bill authorize an elector to register to vote in person for a primary, primary city, general or general city election during the period for early voting. **Sections 10 and 81** of this bill revise the requirements for same day registration on the day of an election to provide that the elector may vote by casting a regular ballot rather than a provisional ballot.

Section 11 of this bill requires the Secretary of State to establish a system for voter registration on the Internet website of the Office of the Secretary of State and sets forth certain requirements for the system.

Existing law requires the Department of Motor Vehicles to collect certain information from a person who does not decline to apply to register to vote and transmit that information to the county clerk of the county in which the person resides to register that person to vote or update his or her voter registration information. (2018 Ballot Question No. 5, Automatic Voter Registration Initiative) **Section 12** of this bill requires the Department to provide a person with a form that allows the person to: (1) affirmatively decline to be registered to vote or have his or her voter registration updated; and (2) indicate a political party affiliation. The form may be returned by the person: (1) immediately after his or her transaction with the Department to a secured container within the Department; or (2) within 15 business days after concluding the transaction with the Department. **Section 12** further provides that if a person fails to return the form within 15 business days, that person will be deemed to have consented

to the transmission of his or her information and the Department will transmit his or her voter registration information to the county clerk who will list the person's political party as nonpartisan. **Section 13** of this bill provides that the county clerk must review the voter registration information transmitted by the Department to determine whether the person is eligible to vote. If the county clerk determines the person is not eligible to vote, **section 13** provides that the voter registration information shall be deemed not to be a complete application to register to vote and that person shall be deemed not to have applied to register to vote.

Existing law requires the county clerk and city clerk to publish certain information relating to a primary election or general election in a newspaper of general circulation. (NRS 293.203, 293.253, 293C.187) **Sections 20, 85 and 112** of this bill remove the requirement for a county and city clerk to publish the names of the candidates and offices to which the candidates seek nomination or election. **Section 23** of this bill removes the requirement for a county clerk to publish a condensation of any statewide measure and its explanation, arguments, rebuttals and fiscal note.

Existing law prohibits a county clerk or city clerk from assigning more than one student trainee to serve as an election board officer to any one polling place. (NRS 293.2175, 293C.222) **Sections 21 and 86** of this bill remove that prohibition so that more than one student trainee may be assigned to a polling place.

Existing law authorizes a person to cast a provisional ballot if the person completes a written affirmation and: (1) declares that he or she is registered to vote and is eligible to vote in the election in the jurisdiction but his or her name does not appear on the voter registration list; (2) has registered to vote by mail or computer, has not voted in an election for federal office in this State and fails to provide identification to an election board officer at the polling place; or (3) declares that he or she is entitled to vote after the polling place would close as a result of certain court orders. A provisional ballot allows the person casting it to vote only for candidates for federal office. After the election, provisional ballots are kept separate from regular ballots and are only counted towards the result of the election under certain circumstances. (NRS 293.3081-293.3085) **Sections 37-39** of this bill require provisional ballots to include all offices, candidates and ballot questions on which the person who is casting the provisional ballot would be entitled to vote if he or she were casting a regular ballot.

Existing law requires a person who will distribute forms to request absent ballots to provide written notice to the county or city clerk within 14 days of distributing the forms and mail the forms not later than 21 days before the election. (NRS 293.3095, 293C.306) **Sections 42 and 93** of this bill revise the time periods to require the person to provide notice to the county or city clerk within 28 days of distributing the forms and to mail the forms not later than 35 days before an election.

Existing law requires a registered voter, with limited exceptions, to request an absent ballot by 5 p.m. on the seventh calendar day preceding a primary, primary city, general or general city election. (NRS 293.313, 293C.310) **Sections 43 and 94** of this bill revise the deadline to require a person to request an absent ballot by 5 p.m. on the 14th day preceding an election.

Existing law authorizes a registered voter with a physical disability or who is at least 65 years of age to submit a written request to the appropriate county or city clerk to receive an absent ballot for all elections at which the registered voter is eligible to vote. (NRS 293.3165, 293C.318) **Sections 44 and 95** of this bill instead provide that any registered voter may submit a written request to receive an absent ballot for all elections at which the registered voter is eligible to vote.

Existing law requires that an absent ballot be received by the county or city clerk by the time the polls close on the day of an election. (NRS 293.317) **Section 45** of this bill instead provides that an absent ballot must be: (1) delivered by hand to the county or city clerk by the time set for the closing of the polls; or (2) mailed to the county or city clerk and postmarked on or before the day of an election.

Existing law establishes a process for a county or city clerk to follow upon receiving an absent ballot from a registered voter. (NRS 293.325, 293C.325) **Sections 46 and 96** of this bill revise this process: (1) to require the county clerk to check the signature on the envelope of an absent ballot against all signatures of the voter in the records of the county clerk; (2) if two employees of the office of the county clerk question whether the signature matches, the

county clerk must contact the voter to ask whether it is the signature of the voter; and (3) if the voter does not respond, the signature is presumed to belong to the voter. **Sections 46 and 96** further require the county and city clerks to contact a voter who has neglected to sign the return envelope of an absent ballot.

Existing law requires a permanent polling place for early voting by personal appearance at a primary or general election to remain open: (1) on Monday through Friday during the first week of early voting, from 8 a.m. to 6 p.m.; (2) on Monday through Friday during the second week of early voting, from 8 a.m. to 6 p.m. or 8 p.m.; and (3) on any Saturday during early voting, for at least 4 hours between 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. (NRS 293.3568, 293C.3568) **Sections 49 and 101** of this bill revise the hours a polling place must remain open during the period for early voting: (1) on Monday through Friday during early voting, for at least 8 hours during such times as the county or city clerk may establish; and (2) on any Saturday during early voting, for at least 4 hours during such times as the county or city clerk may establish.

Existing law requires the county clerk and city clerk to publish the dates and hours that early voting will be conducted at each permanent and temporary polling place for early voting. (NRS 293.3576, 293C.3576) **Sections 50 and 102** of this bill provide that the county clerk or city clerk may extend the hours that early voting will be conducted after the hours have been published.

Existing law authorizes a county or city clerk to rent privately owned locations to be designated as a polling place on election day. (NRS 293.437) Section 52.6 of this bill provides that the legal rights and remedies of the owner or lessor of the private property to be rented as a location to be used as a polling place are not impaired or affected by renting the property.

Existing law authorizes persons who are 17 years old and who meet certain eligibility requirements to preregister to vote. (NRS 293.4855) **Sections 55 and 56** of this bill authorize a 17 year-old who will be 18 years of age on or before the date of the next general city or general election to vote in the primary city election or primary election. **Section 25** of this bill revises the requirements for certain names to be omitted from a ballot for the general election to instead require the names of all candidates to appear on the ballot for the general election to ensure that any candidate voted upon by a 17 year-old at a primary city election or primary election is not declared elected to the office at the primary city election or primary election.

Existing law requires the Secretary of State to establish and maintain an official statewide voter registration list, which, among other requirements, must be coordinated with the databases of the Department of Motor Vehicles. (NRS 293.675) **Section 69** of this bill: (1) requires the Department of Motor Vehicles to ensure that its database is capable of processing any information related to an application to register to vote, an application to update voter registration information or a request to verify the accuracy of voter registration information as quickly as feasible; and (2) prohibits the Department of Motor Vehicles from limiting the number of applications or requests to verify the accuracy of voter registration information that may be processed by the database in any given day.

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

Section 1. Chapter 293 of NRS is hereby amended by adding thereto the provisions set forth as sections 2 to 13, inclusive, of this act.

Sec. 2. 1. A county clerk may establish one or more polling places in the county where any person entitled to vote in the county by personal appearance may do so on the day of the primary election or general election.

2. Any person entitled to vote in the county by personal appearance may do so at any polling place established pursuant to subsection 1.

Sec. 3. 1. Except as otherwise provided in subsection 2, if a county clerk establishes one or more polling places pursuant to section 2 of this act, the county clerk must:

1 (a) Publish during the week before the election in a newspaper of general
2 circulation a notice of the location of each such polling place.

3 (b) Post a list of the location of each such polling place on any bulletin board
4 used for posting notice of meetings of the board of county commissioners. The list
5 must be posted continuously for a period beginning not later than the fifth
6 business day before the election and ending at 7 p.m. on the day of the election.
7 The county clerk shall make copies of the list available to the public during the
8 period of posting in reasonable quantities without charge.

9 2. The provisions of subsection 1 do not apply if every polling place in the
10 county is a polling place where any person entitled to vote in the county by
11 personal appearance may do so on the day of the primary election or general
12 election.

13 3. No additional polling place may be established pursuant to section 2 of
14 this act after the publication pursuant to this section, except in the case of an
15 emergency and if approved by the Secretary of State.

16 Sec. 4. 1. For each polling place established pursuant to section 2 of this
17 act, if any, the county clerk shall prepare a roster that contains, for every
18 registered voter in the county, the voter's name, the address where he or she is
19 registered to vote, his or her voter identification number, the voter's precinct or
20 district number and the voter's signature.

21 2. The roster must be delivered or caused to be delivered by the county clerk
22 to an election board officer of the proper polling place before the opening of the
23 polls.

24 Sec. 5. 1. Except as otherwise provided in NRS 293.283, upon the
25 appearance of a person to cast a ballot at a polling place established pursuant to
26 section 2 of this act, the election board officer shall:

27 (a) Determine that the person is a registered voter in the county and has not
28 already voted in that county in the election;

29 (b) Instruct the voter to sign the roster or a signature card; and

30 (c) Verify the signature of the voter in the manner set forth in NRS 293.277.

31 2. If the signature of the voter does not match, the voter must be identified
32 by:

33 (a) Answering questions from the election board officer covering the
34 personal data which is reported on the application to register to vote;

35 (b) Providing the election board officer, orally or in writing, with other
36 personal data which verifies the identity of the voter; or

37 (c) Providing the election board officer with proof of identification as
38 described in NRS 293.277 other than the card issued to the voter at the time he or
39 she registered to vote.

40 3. If the signature of the voter has changed in comparison to the signature
41 on the application to register to vote, the voter must update his or her signature
42 on a form prescribed by the Secretary of State.

43 4. The county clerk shall prescribe a procedure, approved by the Secretary
44 of State, to verify that the voter has not already voted in that county in the current
45 election.

46 5. When a voter is entitled to cast a ballot and has identified himself or
47 herself to the satisfaction of the election board officer, the voter is entitled to
48 receive the appropriate ballot or ballots, but only for his or her own use at the
49 polling place where he or she applies to vote.

50 6. If the ballot is voted on a mechanical recording device which directly
51 records the votes electronically, the election board officer shall:

52 (a) Prepare the mechanical voting device for the voter;

1 (b) *Ensure that the voter's precinct or voting district and the form of the*
2 *ballot are indicated on the voting receipt, if the county clerk uses voting receipts;*
3 *and*

4 (c) *Allow the voter to cast a vote.*

5 7. *A voter applying to vote at a polling place established pursuant to section*
6 *2 of this act may be challenged pursuant to NRS 293.303.*

7 **Sec. 6.** *1. During the period for early voting, an elector may register to*
8 *vote by submitting an application to register to vote by computer using the system*
9 *established by the Secretary of State pursuant to section 11 of this act.*

10 2. *An elector who registers to vote pursuant to this section may vote only on*
11 *the day of the primary or general election day at:*

12 (a) *A polling place established pursuant to section 2 of this act, if one has*
13 *been established in the county in which the elector has registered to vote; or*

14 (b) *The polling place for his or her election precinct.*

15 3. *The county clerk shall issue to a person who registers to vote pursuant to*
16 *subsection 1 a voter registration card as described in NRS 293.517 as soon as*
17 *practicable after the election.*

18 **Sec. 7.** *Section 6 of this act is hereby amended to read as follows:*

19 Sec. 6. 1. During the period for early voting, an elector may
20 register to vote by submitting an application to register to vote by computer
21 using the system established by the Secretary of State pursuant to section
22 11 of this act.

23 2. An elector who registers to vote pursuant to this section may vote
24 ~~only on~~:

25 (a) *During the period for early voting, at any polling place for early*
26 *voting; or*

27 (b) *On the day of the primary or general election day at:*

28 ~~(a)~~ (1) *A polling place established pursuant to section 2 of this act, if*
29 *one has been established in the county in which the elector has registered to*
30 *vote; or*

31 ~~(b)~~ (2) *The polling place for his or her election precinct.*

32 3. The county clerk shall issue to a person who registers to vote
33 pursuant to subsection 1 a voter registration card as described in NRS
34 293.517 as soon as practicable after the election.

35 **Sec. 8.** *1. An elector may register to vote in person at any polling place*
36 *for early voting by personal appearance in the county where the elector resides.*

37 2. *To register to vote in person during the period for early voting, an elector*
38 *must:*

39 (a) *Appear before the close of polls at a polling place in the county;*

40 (b) *Complete the application to register to vote by computer using the system*
41 *established by the Secretary of State pursuant to section 11 of this act; and*

42 (c) *Except as otherwise provided in subsection 3, provide his or her current*
43 *and valid driver's license or an identification card issued by the Department of*
44 *Motor Vehicles which shows his or her physical address as proof of the elector's*
45 *identity and residency.*

46 3. *If the elector's driver's license or identification card issued by the*
47 *Department of Motor Vehicles does not have the elector's current residential*
48 *address, the following documents may be used to establish the residency of an*
49 *elector if the current residential address of the elector, as indicated on his or her*
50 *application to register to vote, is displayed on the document:*

51 (a) *A military identification card;*

52 (b) *A utility bill, including, without limitation, a bill for electric, gas, oil,*
53 *water, sewer, septic, telephone, cellular telephone or cable television service;*

- (c) *A bank or credit union statement;*
- (d) *A paycheck;*
- (e) *An income tax return;*
- (f) *A statement concerning the mortgage, rental or lease of a residence;*
- (g) *A motor vehicle registration;*
- (h) *A property tax statement; or*
- (i) *Any other document issued by a governmental agency.*

4. *An elector who registers to vote pursuant to this section shall be deemed to be registered to vote upon:*

- (a) *A determination that the application to register to vote is complete; and*
- (b) *The verification of the elector's identity and residency.*

5. *An elector who registers to vote pursuant to this section may vote in the primary election or general election only at the polling place at which the elector registers to vote.*

6. *The county clerk shall issue to a person who is deemed to be a registered voter pursuant to subsection 4 a voter registration card as described in NRS 293.517 as soon as practicable after the election.*

Sec. 9. 1. *An elector may register to vote in person on the day of a primary election or general election at any polling place in the county where the elector resides.*

2. *To register to vote on the day of the primary election or general election, an elector must:*

- (a) *Appear before the close of polls at a polling place in the county;*
- (b) *Complete the application to register to vote by computer using the system established by the Secretary of State pursuant to section 11 of this act; and*
- (c) *Except as otherwise provided in subsection 3, provide his or her current and valid driver's license or an identification card issued by the Department of Motor Vehicles which shows his or her physical address as proof of the elector's identity and residency.*

3. *If the elector's driver's license or identification card issued by the Department of Motor Vehicles does not have the elector's current residential address, the following documents may be used to establish the residency of an elector if the current residential address of the elector, as indicated on his or her application to register to vote, is displayed on the document:*

- (a) *A military identification card;*
- (b) *A utility bill, including, without limitation, a bill for electric, gas, oil, water, sewer, septic, telephone, cellular telephone or cable television service;*
- (c) *A bank or credit union statement;*
- (d) *A paycheck;*
- (e) *An income tax return;*
- (f) *A statement concerning the mortgage, rental or lease of a residence;*
- (g) *A motor vehicle registration;*
- (h) *A property tax statement; or*
- (i) *Any other document issued by a governmental agency.*

4. *An elector who registers to vote pursuant to this section shall be deemed to be registered to vote upon:*

- (a) *A determination that the application to register to vote is complete; and*
- (b) *The verification of the elector's identity and residency.*

5. *An elector who registers to vote pursuant to this section:*

- (a) *May vote in the primary election or general election only at the polling place at which the elector registers to vote; and*
- (b) *Must vote by casting a provisional ballot pursuant to NRS 293.3081.*

1 **6. The county clerk shall issue to a person who is deemed to be a registered**
2 **voter pursuant to subsection 4 a voter registration card as described in NRS**
3 **293.517 as soon as practicable after the election.**

4 **Sec. 10.** Section 9 of this act is hereby amended to read as follows:

5 Sec. 9. 1. An elector may register to vote in person on the day of a
6 primary election or general election at any polling place in the county
7 where the elector resides.

8 2. To register to vote on the day of the primary election or general
9 election, an elector must:

10 (a) Appear before the close of polls at a polling place in the county;

11 (b) Complete the application to register to vote by computer using the
12 system established by the Secretary of State pursuant to section 11 of this
13 act; and

14 (c) Except as otherwise provided in subsection 3, provide his or her
15 current and valid driver's license or an identification card issued by the
16 Department of Motor Vehicles which shows his or her physical address as
17 proof of the elector's identity and residency.

18 3. If the elector's driver's license or identification card issued by the
19 Department of Motor Vehicles does not have the elector's current
20 residential address, the following documents may be used to establish the
21 residency of an elector if the current residential address of the elector, as
22 indicated on his or her application to register to vote, is displayed on the
23 document:

24 (a) A military identification card;

25 (b) A utility bill, including, without limitation, a bill for electric, gas,
26 oil, water, sewer, septic, telephone, cellular telephone or cable television
27 service;

28 (c) A bank or credit union statement;

29 (d) A paycheck;

30 (e) An income tax return;

31 (f) A statement concerning the mortgage, rental or lease of a residence;

32 (g) A motor vehicle registration;

33 (h) A property tax statement; or

34 (i) Any other document issued by a governmental agency.

35 4. An elector who registers to vote pursuant to this section shall be
36 deemed to be registered to vote upon:

37 (a) A determination that the application to register to vote is complete;
38 and

39 (b) The verification of the elector's identity and residency.

40 5. An elector who registers to vote pursuant to this section ~~is~~

41 ~~—(a) May~~ **may** vote in the primary election or general election only at
42 the polling place at which the elector registers to vote. ~~is; and~~

43 ~~—(b) Must vote by casting a provisional ballot pursuant to NRS~~
44 ~~293.3081.~~

45 6. The county clerk shall issue to a person who is deemed to be a
46 registered voter pursuant to subsection 4 a voter registration card as
47 described in NRS 293.517 as soon as practicable after the election.

48 **Sec. 11. 1. The Secretary of State shall establish a system on the Internet**
49 **website of the Office of the Secretary of State to allow persons by computer to:**

50 **(a) Preregister and register to vote;**

51 **(b) Cancel his or her preregistration or voter registration;**

1 (c) Update his or her preregistration or voter registration information,
2 including, without limitation, the person's name, address and party affiliation;
3 and

4 (d) Determine at what polling place or places he or she is entitled to vote.

5 2. The system established pursuant to subsection 1 must:

6 (a) Be user friendly;

7 (b) Comply with any procedures and requirements prescribed by the
8 Secretary of State pursuant to NRS 293.250 and 293.4855; and

9 (c) Inform any person who registers to vote during the period for early voting
10 using the system established pursuant to this section that he or she may only vote
11 at a polling place at which he or she is entitled to vote on election day.

12 3. The Secretary of State shall include on the system, in black lettering and
13 not more than 14-point type, the following information:

14 (a) The qualifications to register or preregister to vote;

15 (b) That if the applicant does not meet the qualifications, he or she is
16 prohibited from registering or preregistering to vote; and

17 (c) The penalties for submitting a false application.

18 4. The Secretary of State shall not include on the system:

19 (a) Any additional warnings regarding the penalties for submitting a false
20 application; or

21 (b) The notice set forth in NRS 225.083.

22 **Sec. 12.** 1. At the time the Department of Motor Vehicles notifies a
23 person of the qualifications to vote in this State pursuant to section 3 of the 2018
24 Ballot Question No. 5, the Automatic Voter Registration Initiative, the
25 Department shall provide the person with a paper form on which the person may:

26 (a) Affirmatively decline to be registered to vote or have his or her voter
27 registration updated; and

28 (b) Elect to indicate a political party affiliation.

29 2. The form provided by the Department pursuant to subsection 1 must
30 include a notice informing the person:

31 (a) Of the information required pursuant to paragraphs (b) and (c) of
32 subsection 2 of the 2018 Ballot Question No. 5, the Automatic Voter Registration
33 Initiative; and

34 (b) That the person may return the completed form:

35 (1) At the end of his or her transaction by depositing the form in the
36 secured container provided by the Department pursuant to subsection 3; or

37 (2) Mail the form back to the Department within 15 business days after
38 his or her transaction with the Department.

39 3. The Department shall provide a secured container within the Department
40 designated for the return of any form provided to a person pursuant to this
41 section.

42 4. For the purposes of sections 4 and 5 of the 2018 Ballot Question No. 5,
43 the Automatic Voter Registration Initiative, the Department shall be deemed to
44 have collected the information from a person:

45 (a) On the day the Department receives the form, if the form is returned
46 within 15 business days after his or her transaction with the Department; or

47 (b) On the 16th business day, if the form is not returned within 15 business
48 days after his or her transaction with the Department.

49 5. If a person does not return to the Department the form provided pursuant
50 to this section within 15 business days:

51 (a) The person shall be deemed to have consented to the transmission of
52 information to the Secretary of State and the county clerks for the purpose of
53 registering the person to vote or updating the voter registration information of the

1 *person for the purpose of correcting the statewide voter registration list pursuant*
2 *to NRS 293.530.*

3 *(b) The county clerk shall list the person's political party as nonpartisan.*

4 **Sec. 13.** *1. Each county clerk shall review the voter registration*
5 *information transmitted by the Department of Motor Vehicles pursuant to section*
6 *5 of the 2018 Ballot Question No. 5, the Automatic Voter Registration Initiative,*
7 *to determine whether the person is eligible to register to vote in this State.*

8 *2. If the county clerk determines that a person is not eligible to register to*
9 *vote pursuant to subsection 1:*

10 *(a) It shall be deemed that the transmittal is not a completed voter*
11 *registration application;*

12 *(b) It shall be deemed that the person did not apply to register to vote; and*

13 *(c) The county clerk must reject the application and may not register that*
14 *person to vote.*

15 **Sec. 14.** NRS 293.095 is hereby amended to read as follows:

16 293.095 "Roster" means the record in printed or electronic form furnished to
17 election board officers which ~~{contains a list of eligible voters and}~~ is to be used for
18 obtaining the signature of each person applying for a ballot ~~{}~~ *and, except for a*
19 *roster designated for electors who register to vote pursuant to section 9 or 80 of*
20 *this act, contains a list of eligible voters.*

21 **Sec. 15.** NRS 293.095 is hereby amended to read as follows:

22 293.095 "Roster" means the record in printed or electronic form furnished to
23 election board officers which is to be used for obtaining the signature of each
24 person applying for a ballot and, except for a roster designated for electors who
25 register to vote pursuant to section 8, 9, 79 or 80 of this act, contains a list of
26 eligible voters.

27 **Sec. 16.** NRS 293.1273 is hereby amended to read as follows:

28 293.1273 ~~In any county where registrations are performed and records are~~
29 ~~kept by computer, a~~ *A* facsimile of a voter's signature that is created by a computer
30 may be used if a verification or comparison of the signature is required by any
31 provision of this title.

32 **Sec. 17.** NRS 293.12757 is hereby amended to read as follows:

33 293.12757 A person may sign a petition required under the election laws of
34 this State on or after the date the person is deemed to be registered to vote pursuant
35 to *subsection 2 of* NRS 293.4855 ~~{or}~~ *, NRS* 293.517 or subsection 7 of NRS
36 293.5235 ~~{}~~ *or section 9 or 80 of this act.*

37 **Sec. 18.** NRS 293.12757 is hereby amended to read as follows:

38 293.12757 A person may sign a petition required under the election laws of
39 this State on or after the date the person is deemed to be registered to vote pursuant
40 to subsection 2 of NRS 293.4855, NRS 293.517 or subsection 7 of NRS 293.5235
41 or section 8, 9, 79 or 80 of this act.

42 **Sec. 19.** NRS 293.1277 is hereby amended to read as follows:

43 293.1277 1. If the Secretary of State finds that the total number of
44 signatures submitted to all the county clerks is 100 percent or more of the number
45 of registered voters needed to declare the petition sufficient, the Secretary of State
46 shall immediately so notify the county clerks. After the notification, each of the
47 county clerks shall determine the number of registered voters who have signed the
48 documents submitted in the county clerk's county and, in the case of a petition for
49 initiative or referendum proposing a constitutional amendment or statewide
50 measure, shall tally the number of signatures for each petition district contained or
51 fully contained within the county clerk's county. This determination must be
52 completed within 9 days, excluding Saturdays, Sundays and holidays, after the
53 notification pursuant to this subsection regarding a petition containing signatures

1 which are required to be verified pursuant to NRS 293.128, 295.056, 298.109,
2 306.035 or 306.110, and within 3 days, excluding Saturdays, Sundays and holidays,
3 after the notification pursuant to this subsection regarding a petition containing
4 signatures which are required to be verified pursuant to NRS 293.172 or 293.200.
5 For the purpose of verification pursuant to this section, the county clerk shall not
6 include in his or her tally of total signatures any signature included in the incorrect
7 petition district.

8 2. Except as otherwise provided in subsection 3, if more than 500 names have
9 been signed on the documents submitted to a county clerk, the county clerk shall
10 examine the signatures by sampling them at random for verification. The random
11 sample of signatures to be verified must be drawn in such a manner that every
12 signature which has been submitted to the county clerk is given an equal
13 opportunity to be included in the sample. The sample must include an examination
14 of at least 500 or 5 percent of the signatures, whichever is greater. If documents
15 were submitted to the county clerk for more than one petition district wholly
16 contained within that county, a separate random sample must be performed for each
17 petition district.

18 3. If a petition district comprises more than one county and the petition is for
19 an initiative or referendum proposing a constitutional amendment or a statewide
20 measure, and if more than 500 names have been signed on the documents submitted
21 for that petition district, the appropriate county clerks shall examine the signatures
22 by sampling them at random for verification. The random sample of signatures to
23 be verified must be drawn in such a manner that every signature which has been
24 submitted to the county clerks within the petition district is given an equal
25 opportunity to be included in the sample. The sample must include an examination
26 of at least 500 or 5 percent of the signatures presented in the petition district,
27 whichever is greater. The Secretary of State shall determine the number of
28 signatures that must be verified by each county clerk within the petition district.

29 4. In determining from the records of registration the number of registered
30 voters who signed the documents, the county clerk may use the signatures
31 contained in the file of applications to register to vote. If the county clerk uses that
32 file, the county clerk shall ensure that every application in the file is examined,
33 including any application in his or her possession which may not yet be entered into
34 the county clerk's records. Except as otherwise provided in subsection 5, the county
35 clerk shall rely only on the appearance of the signature and the address and date
36 included with each signature in making his or her determination.

37 5. If:

38 (a) Pursuant to NRS 293.506, a county clerk establishes a system to allow
39 persons to register to vote by computer; ~~or~~

40 (b) *A person registers to vote using the system established by the Secretary of*
41 *State pursuant to section 11 of this act; or*

42 (c) A person registers to vote pursuant to NRS 293D.230 and signs his or her
43 application to register to vote using a digital signature or an electronic signature,
44 the county clerk may rely on such other indicia as prescribed by the Secretary of
45 State in making his or her determination.

46 6. In the case of a petition for initiative or referendum proposing a
47 constitutional amendment or statewide measure, when the county clerk is
48 determining the number of registered voters who signed the documents from each
49 petition district contained fully or partially within the county clerk's county, he or
50 she must use the statewide voter registration list available pursuant to NRS
51 293.675.

52 7. Except as otherwise provided in subsection 9, upon completing the
53 examination, the county clerk shall immediately attach to the documents a

certificate properly dated, showing the result of the examination, including the tally of signatures by petition district, if required, and transmit the documents with the certificate to the Secretary of State. In the case of a petition for initiative or referendum proposing a constitutional amendment or statewide measure, if a petition district comprises more than one county, the appropriate county clerks shall comply with the regulations adopted by the Secretary of State pursuant to this section to complete the certificate. A copy of this certificate must be filed in the clerk's office. When the county clerk transmits the certificate to the Secretary of State, the county clerk shall notify the Secretary of State of the number of requests to remove a name received by the county clerk pursuant to NRS 295.055 or 306.015.

8. A person who submits a petition to the county clerk which is required to be verified pursuant to NRS 293.128, 293.172, 293.200, 295.056, 298.109, 306.035 or 306.110 must be allowed to witness the verification of the signatures. A public officer who is the subject of a recall petition must also be allowed to witness the verification of the signatures on the petition.

9. For any petition containing signatures which are required to be verified pursuant to the provisions of NRS 293.200, 306.035 or 306.110 for any county, district or municipal office within one county, the county clerk shall not transmit to the Secretary of State the documents containing the signatures of the registered voters.

10. The Secretary of State shall by regulation establish further procedures for carrying out the provisions of this section.

Sec. 20. NRS 293.203 is hereby amended to read as follows:

293.203 Immediately upon receipt by the county clerk of the certified list of candidates from the Secretary of State, the county clerk shall publish a notice of primary election or general election in a newspaper of general circulation in the county once a week for 2 successive weeks. If no such newspaper is published in the county, the publication may be made in a newspaper of general circulation published in the nearest Nevada county. The notice must contain:

1. The date of the election.
2. The location of the polling places.
3. The hours during which the polling places will be open for voting.

~~4. The names of the candidates.~~

~~5. A list of the offices to which the candidates seek nomination or election.]~~

➤ The notice required for a general election pursuant to this section may be published in conjunction with the notice required for a proposed constitution or constitutional amendment pursuant to NRS 293.253. If the notices are combined in this manner, they must be published three times in accordance with subsection 3 of NRS 293.253.

Sec. 21. NRS 293.2175 is hereby amended to read as follows:

293.2175 1. The county clerk may appoint a pupil as a trainee for the position of election board officer. To qualify for such an appointment, the pupil must be:

(a) A United States citizen, a resident of Nevada and a resident of the county in which the pupil serves;

(b) Enrolled in high school; and

(c) At the time of service, at least 16 years of age.

2. The county clerk may only appoint a pupil as a trainee if:

(a) The pupil is appointed without party affiliation;

(b) The county clerk sends the pupil a certificate stating the date and hours that the pupil will act as a trainee;

(c) At least 20 days before the election in which the pupil will act as a trainee, the principal of the high school or the pupil's assigned school counselor receives the county clerk's certificate and a written request signed by the pupil's parent or guardian to be excused from school for the time specified in the certificate;

(d) The principal of the high school or the assigned school counselor of the pupil approves the pupil's request; and

(e) The pupil attends the training class required by NRS 293B.260.

3. Except as otherwise provided in this subsection, the county clerk may assign a trainee such duties as the county clerk deems appropriate. The county clerk shall not ~~+~~

~~—(a) Require~~ **require** the trainee to perform those duties later than 10 p.m. or any applicable curfew, whichever is earlier. ~~+~~ ~~or~~

~~—(b) Assign more than one trainee to serve as an election board officer in any one polling place.~~

4. The county clerk may compensate a trainee for service at the same rate fixed for election board officers generally.

Sec. 22. NRS 293.250 is hereby amended to read as follows:

293.250 1. Except as otherwise provided in chapter 293D of NRS, the Secretary of State shall, in a manner consistent with the election laws of this State, prescribe:

(a) The form of all ballots, absent ballots, diagrams, sample ballots, certificates, notices, declarations, applications to preregister and register to vote, lists, applications, registers, rosters, statements and abstracts required by the election laws of this State.

(b) The procedures to be followed and the requirements of ~~+~~ **+**:

(1) A system established pursuant to NRS 293.506 for using a computer to register voters and to keep records of registration.

(2) The system established by the Secretary of State pursuant to section 11 of this act for using a computer to register voters.

2. Except as otherwise provided in chapter 293D of NRS, the Secretary of State shall prescribe with respect to the matter to be printed on every kind of ballot:

(a) The placement and listing of all offices, candidates and measures upon which voting is statewide, which must be uniform throughout the State.

(b) The listing of all other candidates required to file with the Secretary of State, and the order of listing all offices, candidates and measures upon which voting is not statewide, from which each county or city clerk shall prepare appropriate ballot forms for use in any election in his or her county.

3. The Secretary of State shall place the condensation of each proposed constitutional amendment or statewide measure near the spaces or devices for indicating the voter's choice.

4. The fiscal note for, explanation of, arguments for and against, and rebuttals to such arguments of each proposed constitutional amendment or statewide measure must be included on all sample ballots.

5. The condensations and explanations for constitutional amendments and statewide measures proposed by initiative or referendum must be prepared by the Secretary of State, upon consultation with the Attorney General. The arguments and rebuttals for or against constitutional amendments and statewide measures proposed by initiative or referendum must be prepared in the manner set forth in NRS 293.252. The fiscal notes for constitutional amendments and statewide measures proposed by initiative or referendum must be prepared by the Secretary of State, upon consultation with the Fiscal Analysis Division of the Legislative Counsel Bureau. The condensations, explanations, arguments, rebuttals and fiscal notes must be in easily understood language and of reasonable length, and whenever

feasible must be completed by August 1 of the year in which the general election is to be held. The explanations must include a digest. The digest must include a concise and clear summary of any existing laws directly related to the constitutional amendment or statewide measure and a summary of how the constitutional amendment or statewide measure adds to, changes or repeals such existing laws. For a constitutional amendment or statewide measure that creates, generates, increases or decreases any public revenue in any form, the first paragraph of the digest must include a statement that the constitutional amendment or statewide measure creates, generates, increases or decreases, as applicable, public revenue.

6. The names of candidates for township and legislative or special district offices must be printed only on the ballots furnished to voters of that township or district.

7. A county clerk:

(a) May divide paper ballots into two sheets in a manner which provides a clear understanding and grouping of all measures and candidates.

(b) Shall prescribe the color or colors of the ballots and voting receipts used in any election which the clerk is required to conduct.

Sec. 23. NRS 293.253 is hereby amended to read as follows:

293.253 1. The Secretary of State shall provide each county clerk with copies of any proposed constitution ~~[] or constitutional amendment~~ ~~for statewide measure~~ which will appear on the general election ballot, together with the copies of the condensations, explanations, arguments, rebuttals and fiscal notes prepared pursuant to NRS 218D.810, 293.250 and 293.252.

2. Whenever feasible, the Secretary of State shall provide those copies on or before the first Monday in August of the year in which the proposals will appear on the ballot. Copies of any additional proposals must be provided as soon after their filing as feasible.

3. Each county clerk shall cause a copy of the full text of any such constitution or amendment and its condensation, explanation, arguments, rebuttals and fiscal note to be published, in conspicuous display advertising format of not less than 10 column inches, in a newspaper of general circulation in the county three times at intervals of not less than 7 days, the first publication to be on or before the first Monday in October. If no such newspaper is published in the county, the publication may be made in a newspaper of general circulation published in the nearest Nevada county.

4. If a copy of any such constitution or amendment is furnished by the Secretary of State too late to be published at 7-day intervals, it must be published three times at the longest intervals feasible in each county.

~~5. [Each county clerk shall cause a copy of the condensation of any statewide measure and its explanation, arguments, rebuttals and fiscal note to be published on or before the first Monday in October in a newspaper of general circulation in the county. If no such newspaper is published in the county, the publication may be made in a newspaper of general circulation published in the nearest Nevada county.]~~

~~6.]~~ The portion of the cost of publication which is attributable to publishing the questions, explanations, arguments, rebuttals and fiscal notes of proposed constitutions ~~[] or constitutional amendments~~ ~~for statewide measures~~ is a charge against the State and must be paid from the Reserve for Statutory Contingency Account upon recommendation by the Secretary of State and approval by the State Board of Examiners.

Sec. 24. NRS 293.2546 is hereby amended to read as follows:

293.2546 The Legislature hereby declares that each voter has the right:

1. To receive and cast a ballot that:

(a) Is written in a format that allows the clear identification of candidates; and

- 1 (b) Accurately records the voter's preference in the selection of candidates.
- 2 2. To have questions concerning voting procedures answered and to have an
- 3 explanation of the procedures for voting posted in a conspicuous place at the
- 4 polling place.
- 5 3. To vote without being intimidated, threatened or coerced.
- 6 4. To vote on election day if the voter is waiting in line *to vote or register to*
- 7 *vote* at ~~this or her~~ a polling place *at which he or she is entitled* to vote *or register*
- 8 *to vote* before 7 p.m. and the voter has not already cast a vote in that election.
- 9 5. To return a spoiled ballot and is entitled to receive another ballot in its
- 10 place.
- 11 6. To request assistance in voting, if necessary.
- 12 7. To a sample ballot which is accurate, informative and delivered in a timely
- 13 manner as provided by law.
- 14 8. To receive instruction in the use of the equipment for voting during early
- 15 voting or on election day.
- 16 9. To have nondiscriminatory equal access to the elections system, including,
- 17 without limitation, a voter who is elderly, disabled, a member of a minority group,
- 18 employed by the military or a citizen who is overseas.
- 19 10. To have a uniform, statewide standard for counting and recounting all
- 20 votes accurately.
- 21 11. To have complaints about elections and election contests resolved fairly,
- 22 accurately and efficiently.

23 **Sec. 25.** NRS 293.260 is hereby amended to read as follows:

24 293.260 1. If there is no contest of election for nomination to a particular
25 office, neither the title of the office nor the name of the candidate may appear on
26 the ballot at the primary election.

27 2. If a major political party has two or more candidates for a particular office,
28 the person who receives the highest number of votes at the primary election must be
29 declared the nominee of that major political party for the office.

30 3. If not more than the number of candidates to be elected have filed for
31 nomination for ~~f~~:

32 ~~—(a) Any~~ *any* partisan office, *nonpartisan office* or the office of judge of a
33 district court, judge of the Court of Appeals or justice of the Supreme Court, the
34 names of those candidates must be omitted from all ballots for a primary election
35 and placed on all ballots for the general election. ~~f~~

36 ~~—(b) Any nonpartisan office, other than the office of judge of a district court,~~
37 ~~judge of the Court of Appeals, justice of the Supreme Court or member of a town~~
38 ~~advisory board, the names of those candidates must appear on the ballot for a~~
39 ~~primary election unless the candidates were nominated pursuant to subsection 2 of~~
40 ~~NRS 293.165. If a candidate receives one or more votes at the primary election, the~~
41 ~~candidate must be declared elected to the office and his or her name must not be~~
42 ~~placed on the ballot for the general election. If a candidate does not receive one or~~
43 ~~more votes at the primary election, his or her name must be placed on the ballot for~~
44 ~~the general election; and~~

45 ~~—(c) The office of member of a town advisory board, the candidate must be~~
46 ~~declared elected to the office and no election must be held for that office.]~~

47 4. If there are not more than twice the number of candidates to be elected to a
48 nonpartisan office, the candidates must, without a primary election, be declared the
49 nominees for the office, and the names of the candidates must be omitted from all
50 ballots for a primary election and placed on all ballots for the general election.

51 5. If there are more than twice the number of candidates to be elected to a
52 nonpartisan office, the names of the candidates must appear on the ballot for a
53 primary election. Those candidates who receive the highest number of votes at the

primary election, not to exceed twice the number to be elected, must be declared nominees for the office and the names of those candidates must be placed on the ballot for the general election, except that if one of those candidates receives a majority of the votes cast in the primary election for ~~the~~

~~(a) The~~ *any nonpartisan office, including the* office of judge of a district court, judge of the Court of Appeals or justice of the Supreme Court, the candidate must be declared the only nominee for the office and only his or her name must be placed on the ballot for the general election.

~~[(b) Any other nonpartisan office, the candidate must be declared elected to the office and his or her name must not be placed on the ballot for the general election.]~~

Sec. 26. NRS 293.272 is hereby amended to read as follows:

293.272 1. Except as otherwise provided in subsection 2 and in NRS 293.2725 and 293.3083, a person who registered by mail or computer to vote shall, for the first election in which the person votes at which that registration is valid, vote in person unless he or she has previously voted in the county in which he or she is registered to vote.

2. The provisions of subsection 1 do not apply to a person who:

(a) Is entitled to vote in the manner prescribed in NRS 293.343 to 293.355, inclusive;

(b) Is entitled to vote an absent ballot pursuant to federal law , ~~for~~ NRS 293.316 ~~for 293.3165~~ or chapter 293D of NRS;

(c) Is disabled;

(d) *Is provided the right to vote otherwise than in person pursuant to the Voting Accessibility for the Elderly and Handicapped Act, 52 U.S.C. §§ 20101 et seq.;*

(e) Submits or has previously submitted a written request for an absent ballot that is signed by the registered voter before a notary public or other person authorized to administer an oath; or

~~[(e)] (f)~~ Requests an absent ballot in person at the office of the county clerk.

Sec. 27. NRS 293.2725 is hereby amended to read as follows:

293.2725 1. Except as otherwise provided in subsection 2, in NRS 293.3081 and 293.3083 , *in section 9 or 80 of this act* and in federal law, a person who registers to vote by mail or computer or a person who preregisters to vote by mail or computer and is subsequently deemed to be registered to vote, and who has not previously voted in an election for federal office in this State:

(a) May vote at a polling place only if the person presents to the election board officer at the polling place:

(1) A current and valid photo identification of the person, which shows his or her physical address; or

(2) A copy of a current utility bill, bank statement, paycheck, or document issued by a governmental entity, including a check which indicates the name and address of the person, but not including a voter registration card issued pursuant to NRS 293.517; and

(b) May vote by mail only if the person provides to the county or city clerk:

(1) A copy of a current and valid photo identification of the person, which shows his or her physical address; or

(2) A copy of a current utility bill, bank statement, paycheck, or document issued by a governmental entity, including a check which indicates the name and address of the person, but not including a voter registration card issued pursuant to NRS 293.517.

➤ If there is a question as to the physical address of the person, the election board officer or clerk may request additional information.

2. The provisions of subsection 1 do not apply to a person who:

1 (a) Registers to vote by mail or computer, or preregisters to vote by mail or
2 computer and is subsequently deemed to be registered to vote, and submits with an
3 application to preregister or register to vote:

4 (1) A copy of a current and valid photo identification; or
5 (2) A copy of a current utility bill, bank statement, paycheck, or document
6 issued by a governmental entity, including a check which indicates the name and
7 address of the person, but not including a voter registration card issued pursuant to
8 NRS 293.517;

9 (b) Except as otherwise provided in subsection 3, registers to vote by mail or
10 computer and submits with an application to register to vote a driver's license
11 number or at least the last four digits of his or her social security number, if a state
12 or local election official has matched that information with an existing
13 identification record bearing the same number, name and date of birth as provided
14 by the person in the application;

15 (c) Is entitled to vote an absent ballot pursuant to the Uniformed and Overseas
16 Citizens Absentee Voting Act, 52 U.S.C. §§ 20301 et seq.;

17 (d) Is provided the right to vote otherwise than in person under the Voting
18 Accessibility for the Elderly and Handicapped Act, 52 U.S.C. §§ 20101 et seq.; or

19 (e) Is entitled to vote otherwise than in person under any other federal law.

20 3. The provisions of subsection 1 apply to a person described in paragraph (b)
21 of subsection 2 if the voter registration card issued to the person pursuant to
22 subsection 6 of NRS 293.517 is mailed by the county clerk to the person and
23 returned to the county clerk by the United States Postal Service.

24 **Sec. 28.** NRS 293.2725 is hereby amended to read as follows:

25 293.2725 1. Except as otherwise provided in subsection 2, in NRS 293.3081
26 and 293.3083, in section 8, 9, 79 or 80 of this act and in federal law, a person who
27 registers to vote by mail or computer or a person who preregisters to vote by mail
28 or computer and is subsequently deemed to be registered to vote, and who has not
29 previously voted in an election for federal office in this State:

30 (a) May vote at a polling place only if the person presents to the election board
31 officer at the polling place:

32 (1) A current and valid photo identification of the person, which shows his
33 or her physical address; or

34 (2) A copy of a current utility bill, bank statement, paycheck, or document
35 issued by a governmental entity, including a check which indicates the name and
36 address of the person, but not including a voter registration card issued pursuant to
37 NRS 293.517;

38 (b) May vote by mail only if the person provides to the county or city clerk:

39 (1) A copy of a current and valid photo identification of the person, which
40 shows his or her physical address; or

41 (2) A copy of a current utility bill, bank statement, paycheck, or document
42 issued by a governmental entity, including a check which indicates the name and
43 address of the person, but not including a voter registration card issued pursuant to
44 NRS 293.517.

45 ➤ If there is a question as to the physical address of the person, the election board
46 officer or clerk may request additional information.

47 2. The provisions of subsection 1 do not apply to a person who:

48 (a) Registers to vote by mail or computer, or preregisters to vote by mail or
49 computer and is subsequently deemed to be registered to vote, and submits with an
50 application to preregister or register to vote:

51 (1) A copy of a current and valid photo identification; or

52 (2) A copy of a current utility bill, bank statement, paycheck, or document
53 issued by a governmental entity, including a check which indicates the name and

address of the person, but not including a voter registration card issued pursuant to NRS 293.517;

(b) Except as otherwise provided in subsection 3, registers to vote by mail or computer and submits with an application to register to vote a driver's license number or at least the last four digits of his or her social security number, if a state or local election official has matched that information with an existing identification record bearing the same number, name and date of birth as provided by the person in the application;

(c) Is entitled to vote an absent ballot pursuant to the Uniformed and Overseas Citizens Absentee Voting Act, 52 U.S.C. §§ 20301 et seq.;

(d) Is provided the right to vote otherwise than in person under the Voting Accessibility for the Elderly and Handicapped Act, 52 U.S.C. §§ 20101 et seq.; or

(e) Is entitled to vote otherwise than in person under any other federal law.

3. The provisions of subsection 1 apply to a person described in paragraph (b) of subsection 2 if the voter registration card issued to the person pursuant to ~~subsection 6 of~~ NRS 293.517 is mailed by the county clerk to the person and returned to the county clerk by the United States Postal Service.

Sec. 29. NRS 293.273 is hereby amended to read as follows:

293.273 1. Except as otherwise provided in ~~subsection 2 and~~ NRS 293.305, at all elections held under the provisions of this title, the polls must open at 7 a.m. and close at 7 p.m.

2. ~~Whenever at any election all the votes of the polling place, as shown on the roster, have been cast, the election board officers shall close the polls, and the counting of votes must begin and continue without unnecessary delay until the count is completed.~~

~~3.~~ Upon opening the polls, one of the election board officers shall cause a proclamation to be made that all present may be aware of the fact that applications of registered voters to vote will be received.

~~4.~~ 3. No person other than election board officers engaged in receiving, preparing or depositing ballots may be permitted inside the guardrail during the time the polls are open, except by authority of the election board as necessary to keep order and carry out the provisions of this title.

Sec. 30. NRS 293.275 is hereby amended to read as follows:

293.275 ~~No~~

1. *Except as otherwise provided in subsection 2, an election board may not perform its duty in serving registered voters at any polling place in any election provided for in this title, unless it has before it ~~the~~:*

(a) *The roster for the polling place ~~is~~; and*

(b) *The roster designated for electors who register to vote pursuant to section 9 or 80 of this act.*

2. *For a polling place established pursuant to section 2 or 73 of this act, an election board may perform its duty in serving registered voters at the polling place in an election if the election board has before it the roster for the county or city, as applicable.*

Sec. 31. NRS 293.275 is hereby amended to read as follows:

293.275 1. Except as otherwise provided in subsection 2, an election board may not perform its duty in serving registered voters at any polling place in any election provided for in this title, unless it has before it:

(a) The roster for the polling place; and

(b) The roster designated for electors who register to vote pursuant to section 8, 9, 79 or 80 of this act.

2. For a polling place established pursuant to section 2 or 73 of this act, an election board may perform its duty in serving registered voters at the polling place

1 in an election if the election board has before it the roster for the county or city, as
2 applicable.

3 **Sec. 32.** NRS 293.277 is hereby amended to read as follows:

4 293.277 1. Except as otherwise provided in NRS 293.283 and 293.541, if a
5 person's name appears in the roster, ~~and~~ if the person provides an affirmation
6 pursuant to NRS 293.525 ~~and~~ *or if the person registered to vote on the day of the*
7 *primary election or general election pursuant to section 9 of this act*, the person is
8 entitled to vote and must sign his or her name in the *appropriate* roster or on a
9 signature card when he or she applies to vote. The signature must be compared by
10 an election board officer with the signature or a facsimile thereof on the person's
11 application to register to vote or one of the forms of identification listed in
12 subsection 2.

13 2. Except as otherwise provided in NRS 293.2725, the forms of identification
14 which may be used individually to identify a voter at the polling place are:

15 (a) The card issued to the voter at the time he or she registered to vote or was
16 deemed to be registered to vote;

17 (b) A driver's license;

18 (c) An identification card issued by the Department of Motor Vehicles;

19 (d) A military identification card; or

20 (e) Any other form of identification issued by a governmental agency which
21 contains the voter's signature and physical description or picture.

22 **3. *The county clerk shall prescribe a procedure, approved by the Secretary***
23 ***of State, to verify that the voter has not already voted in the current election.***

24 **Sec. 33.** NRS 293.285 is hereby amended to read as follows:

25 293.285 1. Except as otherwise provided in NRS 293.283, a registered voter
26 applying to vote shall state his or her name to the election board officer in charge of
27 the roster, and the officer shall immediately announce the name, instruct the voter
28 to sign the roster or signature card, ~~and~~ verify the signature of the voter in the
29 manner set forth in NRS 293.277 ~~and~~ *and verify that the registered voter has not*
30 *already voted in the current election.*

31 2. If the signature does not match, the voter must be identified by:

32 (a) Answering questions from the election board officer covering the personal
33 data which is reported on the application to register to vote;

34 (b) Providing the election board officer, orally or in writing, with other
35 personal data which verifies the identity of the voter; or

36 (c) Providing the election board officer with proof of identification as
37 described in NRS 293.277 other than the card issued to the voter at the time he or
38 she registered to vote or was deemed to be registered to vote.

39 3. If the signature of the voter has changed in comparison to the signature on
40 the application to preregister or register to vote, the voter must update his or her
41 signature on a form prescribed by the Secretary of State.

42 **Sec. 34.** NRS 293.296 is hereby amended to read as follows:

43 293.296 1. Any registered voter who by reason of a physical disability or an
44 inability to read or write English is unable to mark a ballot or use any voting device
45 without assistance is entitled to assistance from a consenting person of his or her
46 own choice, except:

47 (a) The voter's employer or an agent of the voter's employer; or

48 (b) An officer or agent of the voter's labor organization.

49 2. A person providing assistance pursuant to this section to a voter in casting
50 a vote shall not disclose any information with respect to the casting of that ballot.

51 3. The right to assistance in casting a ballot may not be denied or impaired
52 when the need for assistance is apparent or is known to the election board or any

member thereof or when the registered voter requests such assistance in any manner.

4. In addition to complying with the requirements of this section, the county clerk and election board officer shall, upon the request of a registered voter with a physical disability, make reasonable accommodations to allow the voter to vote at ~~this or her~~ a polling place ~~[]~~ *at which he or she is entitled to vote.*

Sec. 35. NRS 293.3025 is hereby amended to read as follows:

293.3025 The Secretary of State and each county and city clerk shall ensure that a copy of each of the following is posted in a conspicuous place at each polling place on election day:

1. A sample ballot;
2. Information concerning the date and hours of operation of the polling place;
3. Instructions for voting and casting a ballot, including a provisional ballot;
4. Instructions concerning the identification required for persons who registered by mail *or computer* and are first-time voters for federal office in this State;
5. Information concerning the accessibility of polling places to persons with disabilities;
6. General information concerning federal and state laws which prohibit acts of fraud and misrepresentation; and
7. Information concerning the eligibility of a candidate, a ballot question or any other matter appearing on the ballot as a result of a judicial determination or by operation of law, if any.

Sec. 36. NRS 293.305 is hereby amended to read as follows:

293.305 1. If at the hour of closing the polls there are any ~~[registered]~~ :

(a) *Registered* voters waiting to vote ~~[]~~ ; *or*

(b) *Persons waiting to register to vote,*

↳ the doors of the polling place must be closed after all such ~~[voters]~~ *persons* have been admitted to the polling place. Voting, *and, if applicable, the registration of voters,* must continue until those ~~[voters]~~ *persons* have voted.

2. The deputy sheriff shall allow other persons to enter the polling place after the doors have been closed for the purpose of observing or any other legitimate purpose if there is room within the polling place and such admittance will not interfere unduly with the voting ~~[]~~ *or the registration of voters.*

Sec. 37. NRS 293.3081 is hereby amended to read as follows:

293.3081 1. A person at a polling place may cast a provisional ballot in an election ~~[to vote for a candidate for federal office]~~ if the person complies with the applicable provisions of NRS 293.3082 and:

~~[]~~ (a) Declares that he or she has registered to vote and is eligible to vote at that election in that jurisdiction, but his or her name does not appear on a voter registration list as a voter eligible to vote in that election in that jurisdiction or an election official asserts that the person is not eligible to vote in that election in that jurisdiction;

~~[]~~ (b) Applies by mail or computer, on or after January 1, 2003, to register to vote and has not previously voted in an election for federal office in this State and fails to provide the identification required pursuant to paragraph (a) of subsection 1 of NRS 293.2725 to the election board officer at the polling place; or

~~[]~~ (c) Declares that he or she is entitled to vote after the polling place would normally close as a result of a court order or other order extending the time established for the closing of polls pursuant to a law of this State in effect 10 days before the date of the election.

1 **2. A provisional ballot must include all offices, candidates and measures**
2 ***upon which the person who is casting the provisional ballot would be entitled to***
3 ***vote if he or she were casting a regular ballot.***

4 **Sec. 38.** NRS 293.3082 is hereby amended to read as follows:

5 293.3082 1. Before a person may cast a provisional ballot pursuant to NRS
6 293.3081, the person must complete a written affirmation on a form provided by an
7 election board officer, as prescribed by the Secretary of State, at the polling place
8 which includes:

- 9 (a) The name of the person casting the provisional ballot;
10 (b) The reason for casting the provisional ballot;
11 (c) A statement in which the person casting the provisional ballot affirms under
12 penalty of perjury that he or she is a registered voter in the jurisdiction and is
13 eligible to vote in the election;
14 (d) The date and type of election;
15 (e) The signature of the person casting the provisional ballot;
16 (f) The signature of the election board officer;
17 (g) A unique affirmation identification number assigned to the person casting
18 the provisional ballot;
19 (h) If the person is casting the provisional ballot pursuant to ***paragraph (a) of***
20 ***subsection 1 of NRS 293.3081:***

21 (1) An indication by the person as to whether or not he or she provided the
22 required identification at the time the person applied to register to vote;

23 (2) The address of the person as listed on the application to register to vote;

24 (3) Information concerning the place, manner and approximate date on
25 which the person applied to register to vote;

26 (4) Any other information that the person believes may be useful in
27 verifying that the person has registered to vote; and

28 (5) A statement informing the voter that if the voter does not provide
29 identification at the time the voter casts the provisional ballot, the required
30 identification must be provided to the county or city clerk not later than 5 p.m. on
31 the Friday following election day ; ~~{and that failure to do so will result in the~~
32 ~~*provisional ballot not being counted;}*~~

33 (i) If the person is casting the provisional ballot pursuant to ***paragraph (b) of***
34 ***subsection {2} I of NRS 293.3081:***

35 (1) The address of the person as listed on the application to register to vote;

36 (2) The voter registration number, if any, issued to the person; and

37 (3) A statement informing the voter that the required identification must be
38 provided to the county or city clerk not later than 5 p.m. on the Friday following
39 election day ; ~~{and that failure to do so will result in the provisional ballot not being~~
40 ~~*counted;}*~~ and

41 (j) If the person is casting the provisional ballot pursuant to ***paragraph (c) of***
42 ***subsection {3} I of NRS 293.3081, the voter registration number, if any, issued to***
43 ***the person.***

44 2. After a person completes a written affirmation pursuant to subsection 1:

45 (a) The election board officer shall provide the person with a receipt that
46 includes the unique affirmation identification number described in subsection 1 and
47 that explains how the person may use the free access system established pursuant to
48 NRS 293.3086 to ascertain whether the person's vote was counted, and, if the vote
49 was not counted, the reason why the vote was not counted; ***and***

50 (b) The voter's name and applicable information must be entered into the roster
51 in a manner which indicates that the voter cast a provisional ballot . ~~{; and~~
52 ~~*—(c) The election board officer shall issue a provisional ballot to the person to*~~
53 ~~*vote only for candidates for federal offices.}*~~

1 **Sec. 39.** NRS 293.3083 is hereby amended to read as follows:

2 293.3083 A person may cast a ballot by mail , ~~[to vote for a candidate for~~
3 ~~federal office.]~~ which must be treated as a provisional ballot by the county or city
4 clerk if the person:

5 1. Applies by mail or computer to register to vote and has not previously
6 voted in an election for federal office in this State;

7 2. Fails to provide the identification required pursuant to paragraph (b) of
8 subsection 1 of NRS 293.2725 to the county or city clerk at the time that the person
9 mails the ballot; and

10 3. Completes the written affirmation set forth in subsection 1 of NRS
11 293.3082.

12 **Sec. 40.** NRS 293.3084 is hereby amended to read as follows:

13 293.3084 Each county and city clerk shall establish procedures to:

14 1. Keep each provisional ballot cast pursuant to NRS 293.3081 or 293.3083
15 separate from other ballots until it has been determined whether or not the voter
16 was registered and eligible to vote in the election in that jurisdiction;

17 2. Keep each provisional ballot cast pursuant to *paragraph (c) of* subsection
18 ~~¶ 1~~ of NRS 293.3081 separate from all other provisional ballots; and

19 3. Inform a person whose name does not appear on a voter registration list as
20 an eligible voter for a polling place or who an election official asserts is not eligible
21 to vote at the polling place of the ability of the person to cast a provisional ballot.

22 **Sec. 41.** NRS 293.3085 is hereby amended to read as follows:

23 293.3085 1. Following each election, a canvass of the provisional ballots
24 cast in the election must be conducted pursuant to NRS 293.387 and, if appropriate,
25 pursuant to NRS 293C.387.

26 2. The county and city clerk shall not:

27 (a) Include any provisional ballot in the unofficial results reported on election
28 night; or

29 (b) Open any envelope containing a provisional ballot before 8 a.m. on the
30 Wednesday following election day.

31 3. Except as otherwise provided in subsection 4, a provisional ballot must be
32 counted if:

33 (a) The county or city clerk determines that the person who cast the provisional
34 ballot was registered to vote in the election, eligible to vote in the election and
35 issued the appropriate ballot for the address at which the person resides;

36 (b) A voter who failed to provide required identification at the polling place or
37 with his or her mailed ballot provides the required identification to the county or
38 city clerk not later than 5 p.m. on the Friday following election day; or

39 (c) A court order has not been issued by 5 p.m. on the Friday following
40 election day directing that provisional ballots cast pursuant to *paragraph (c) of*
41 subsection ~~¶ 1~~ of NRS 293.3081 not be counted, and the provisional ballot was
42 cast pursuant to *paragraph (c) of* subsection ~~¶ 1~~ of NRS 293.3081.

43 4. A provisional ballot must not be counted if the county or city clerk
44 determines that the person who cast the provisional ballot cast the wrong ballot for
45 the address at which the person resides.

46 **Sec. 42.** NRS 293.3095 is hereby amended to read as follows:

47 293.3095 1. A person who, during the 6 months immediately preceding an
48 election, distributes to more than a total of 500 registered voters a form to request
49 an absent ballot for the election shall:

50 (a) Distribute the form prescribed by the Secretary of State, which must, in 14-
51 point type or larger:

52 (1) Identify the person who is distributing the form; and

53 (2) Include a notice stating, "This is a request for an absent ballot.";

(b) Not later than ~~144~~ 28 days before distributing such a form, provide to the county clerk of each county to which a form will be distributed written notification of the approximate number of forms to be distributed to voters in the county and of the first date on which the forms will be distributed;

(c) Not return or offer to return to a county clerk a form that was mailed to a registered voter pursuant to this subsection; and

(d) Not mail such a form later than ~~124~~ 35 days before the election.

2. The provisions of this section do not authorize a person to vote by absent ballot if the person is not otherwise eligible to vote by absent ballot.

Sec. 43. NRS 293.313 is hereby amended to read as follows:

293.313 1. Except as otherwise provided in NRS 293.272 and 293.502, a registered voter may request an absent ballot if, before 5 p.m. on the ~~seventh~~ 14th calendar day preceding the election, the registered voter:

(a) Provides sufficient written notice to the county clerk; and

(b) Has identified himself or herself to the satisfaction of the county clerk.

2. A registered voter may request an absent ballot for all elections held during the year he or she requests an absent ballot.

3. A county clerk shall consider a request from a voter who has given sufficient written notice on a form provided by the Federal Government as a request for an absent ballot for the primary and general elections immediately following the date on which the county clerk received the request.

4. It is unlawful for a person fraudulently to request an absent ballot in the name of another person or to induce or coerce another person fraudulently to request an absent ballot in the name of another person. A person who violates this subsection is guilty of a category E felony and shall be punished as provided in NRS 193.130.

Sec. 44. NRS 293.3165 is hereby amended to read as follows:

293.3165 1. A registered voter ~~[with a physical disability or]~~ who ~~[is at least 65 years of age and]~~ provides sufficient written notice to the appropriate county clerk may request that the registered voter receive an absent ballot for all elections at which the registered voter is eligible to vote.

2. Except as otherwise provided in subsection 4, upon receipt of a request submitted by a registered voter pursuant to subsection 1, the county clerk shall:

(a) Issue an absent ballot to the registered voter for each primary election, general election and special election other than a special city election that is conducted after the date the written statement is submitted to the county clerk.

(b) Inform the applicable city clerk of receipt of the written statement. Upon receipt of the notice from the county clerk, the city clerk shall issue an absent ballot for each primary city election, general city election and special city election that is conducted after the date the city clerk receives notice from the county clerk.

3. If, at the direction of the registered voter ~~13~~ *with a physical disability or who is at least 65 years of age*, a person:

(a) Marks and signs an absent ballot issued to the registered voter pursuant to the provisions of this section on behalf of the registered voter, the person must:

(1) Indicate next to his or her signature that the ballot has been marked and signed on behalf of the registered voter; and

(2) Submit a written statement with the absent ballot that includes the name, address and signature of the person.

(b) Assists a registered voter to mark and sign an absent ballot issued to the registered voter pursuant to the provisions of this section, the person or registered voter must submit a written statement with the absent ballot that includes the name, address and signature of the person.

4. A county clerk may not mail an absent ballot requested by a registered voter pursuant to subsection 1 if, after the request is submitted:

(a) The registered voter is designated inactive pursuant to NRS 293.530; ~~for~~
(b) The county clerk cancels the registration of the person pursuant NRS 293.527, 293.530, 293.535 or 293.540 ~~[-];~~ *or*

(c) An absent ballot is returned to the county clerk as undeliverable, unless the registered voter has submitted a new request pursuant to subsection 1.

5. The procedure authorized pursuant to this section is subject to all other provisions of this chapter relating to voting by absent ballot to the extent that those provisions are not inconsistent with the provisions of this section.

Sec. 45. NRS 293.317 is hereby amended to read as follows:

293.317 ~~{Absent}~~

1. Except as otherwise provided in subsection 2, absent ballots, including special absent ballots, ~~{received}~~ must be:

(a) Delivered by hand to the county or city clerk ~~{after}~~ before the time set for closing of the polls ~~{are closed}~~ pursuant to NRS 293.273; or

(b) Mailed to the county or city clerk and postmarked on or before the day of election. ~~{are invalid.}~~

2. If an absent ballot is received not more than 3 days after the day of the election and the date of the postmark cannot be determined, the absent ballot shall be deemed to have been postmarked on or before the day of the election.

Sec. 46. NRS 293.325 is hereby amended to read as follows:

293.325 1. Except as otherwise provided in ~~{subsection 2 and}~~ NRS 293D.200, when an absent ballot is returned by a registered voter to the county clerk through the mail, by facsimile machine or other approved electronic transmission or in person, and record thereof is made in the absent ballot record book, the county clerk shall *check the signature in accordance with the following procedure:*

(a) The county clerk shall check the signature on the return envelope, facsimile or other approved electronic transmission against all signatures of the voter available in the records of the county clerk.

(b) If at least two employees in the office of the county clerk believe there is a reasonable question of fact as to whether the signature on the absent ballot matches the signature of the voter, the county clerk shall immediately contact the voter and ask the voter to confirm whether the signature on the absent ballot belongs to the voter.

(c) If the voter does not respond to the county clerk within 3 days, the county clerk shall deem the signature to be the signature of the voter.

2. Except as otherwise provided in subsection 3, if the county clerk determines pursuant to subsection 1 that the absent voter is entitled to cast a ballot and:

(a) No absent ballot central counting board has been appointed, the county clerk shall neatly stack, unopened, the absent ballot with any other absent ballot received that day in a container and deliver, or cause to be delivered, that container to the appropriate election board.

~~{2. Except as otherwise provided in NRS 293D.200, if an}~~

~~*(b) An absent ballot central counting board has been appointed, {when an absent ballot is returned by a registered voter to the county clerk through the mail, by facsimile machine or other approved electronic transmission or in person, the county clerk shall check the signature on the return envelope, facsimile or other approved electronic transmission against the original signature of the voter on the county clerk's register. If the county clerk determines that the absent voter is entitled to cast a ballot,}*~~ the county clerk shall deposit the ballot in the proper ballot

box or place the ballot, unopened, in a container that must be securely locked or under the control of the county clerk at all times. At the end of each day before election day, the county clerk may remove the ballots from each ballot box, neatly stack the ballots in a container and seal the container with a numbered seal. Not earlier than 4 working days before the election, the county clerk shall deliver the ballots to the absent ballot central counting board to be processed and prepared for counting pursuant to the procedures established by the Secretary of State to ensure the confidentiality of the prepared ballots until after the polls have closed pursuant to NRS 293.273 or 293.305.

3. If the county clerk determines when checking the signature of the voter pursuant to subsection 1 that the absent voter did not sign the return envelope as required pursuant to NRS 293.330 but is otherwise entitled to cast a ballot, the county clerk shall contact the absent voter and advise the voter of the procedures to sign the return envelope established pursuant to subsection 4. The voter may sign the absent ballot not later than the third day following the election. If the absent voter then signs the return envelope on or before 5 p.m. on the third day following the election, the county clerk shall deposit the voted ballot pursuant to the requirements of subsection 2.

4. Each county clerk shall prescribe a procedure for a voter who did not sign the return envelope of an absent ballot to:

(a) Contact the voter;

(b) Allow the voter to sign the return envelope; and

(c) Ensure the signed absent ballots are delivered to the appropriate election board or the absent ballot central counting board, as applicable.

Sec. 47. NRS 293.330 is hereby amended to read as follows:

293.330 1. Except as otherwise provided in subsection 2 of NRS 293.323 and chapter 293D of NRS, and any regulations adopted pursuant thereto, when an absent voter receives an absent ballot, the absent voter must mark and fold it in accordance with the instructions, deposit it in the return envelope, seal the envelope, affix his or her signature on the back of the envelope in the space provided therefor and mail *or deliver* the return envelope.

2. Except as otherwise provided in subsection 3, if an absent voter who has requested a ballot by mail applies to vote the ballot in person at:

(a) The office of the county clerk, the absent voter must mark the ballot, seal it in the return envelope and affix his or her signature in the same manner as provided in subsection 1, and deliver the envelope to the clerk.

(b) A polling place, including, without limitation, a polling place for early voting, the absent voter must surrender the absent ballot and provide satisfactory identification before being issued a ballot to vote at the polling place. A person who receives a surrendered absent ballot shall mark it "Cancelled."

3. If an absent voter who has requested a ballot by mail applies to vote in person at the office of the county clerk or a polling place, including, without limitation, a polling place for early voting, and the voter does not have the absent ballot to deliver or surrender, the voter must be issued a ballot to vote if the voter:

(a) Provides satisfactory identification;

(b) Is a registered voter who is otherwise entitled to vote; and

(c) Signs an affirmation under penalty of perjury on a form prepared by the Secretary of State declaring that the voter has not voted during the election.

4. Except as otherwise provided in NRS 293.316 and 293.3165, it is unlawful for any person to return an absent ballot other than the voter who requested the absent ballot or, at the request of the voter, a member of the voter's family. A person who returns an absent ballot and who is a member of the family of the voter who requested the absent ballot shall, under penalty of perjury, indicate on a form

prescribed by the county clerk that the person is a member of the family of the voter who requested the absent ballot and that the voter requested that the person return the absent ballot. A person who violates the provisions of this subsection is guilty of a category E felony and shall be punished as provided in NRS 193.130.

Sec. 48. NRS 293.333 is hereby amended to read as follows:

293.333 **1.** Except as otherwise provided in NRS 293D.200, on the day of an election, the election boards receiving the absent voters' ballots from the county clerk shall, in the presence of a majority of the election board officers, remove the ballots from the ballot box and the containers in which the ballots were transported pursuant to NRS 293.325 and deposit the ballots in the regular ballot box in the following manner:

~~1.~~ **(a)** The name of the voter, as shown on the return envelope or approved electronic transmission must be called and checked as if the voter were voting in person;

~~2.~~ **(b)** The signature on the back of the return envelope or on the approved electronic transmission must be compared with that on the application to register to vote;

~~3.~~ **(c)** If the board determines that the absent voter is entitled to cast a ballot, the envelope must be opened, the numbers on the ballot and envelope or approved electronic transmission compared, the number strip or stub detached from the ballot and, if the numbers are the same, the ballot deposited in the regular ballot box; and

~~4.~~ **(d)** The election board officers shall indicate in the roster "Voted" by the name of the voter.

2. Counting of absent ballots must continue until all absent ballots have been received by the county clerk or until the votes must be canvassed by the board of county commissioners pursuant to NRS 293.387, whichever occurs first.

Sec. 49. NRS 293.3568 is hereby amended to read as follows:

293.3568 **1.** The period for early voting by personal appearance begins the third Saturday preceding a primary or general election and extends through the Friday before election day, Sundays and federal holidays excepted.

2. The county clerk may:

(a) Include any Sunday or federal holiday that falls within the period for early voting by personal appearance.

(b) Require a permanent polling place for early voting to remain open until 8 p.m. on any Saturday that falls within the period for early voting.

3. A permanent polling place for early voting must remain open:

(a) On Monday through Friday ~~1:~~

~~— (1) During the first week of early voting, from 8 a.m. until 6 p.m.~~

~~— (2) During the second week of early voting, from 8 a.m. until 6 p.m., or until 8 p.m. if during the period for early voting, for at least 8 hours during such hours as the county clerk [so requires.] may establish.~~

(b) On any Saturday that falls within the period for early voting, for at least 4 hours ~~[between 10 a.m. and 6 p.m.] during such hours as the county clerk may establish.~~

(c) If the county clerk includes a Sunday that falls within the period for early voting, pursuant to subsection 2, during such hours as the county clerk may establish.

Sec. 50. NRS 293.3576 is hereby amended to read as follows:

293.3576 **1.** The county clerk shall publish during the week before the period for early voting and at least once each week during the period for early voting in a newspaper of general circulation a schedule stating:

(a) The location of each permanent and temporary polling place for early voting.

(b) The dates and hours that early voting will be conducted at each location.

2. The county clerk shall post a copy of the schedule on the bulletin board used for posting notice of meetings of the board of county commissioners. The schedule must be posted continuously for a period beginning not later than the fifth day before the first day of the period for early voting by personal appearance and ending on the last day of that period.

3. The county clerk shall make copies of the schedule available to the public in reasonable quantities without charge during the period of posting.

4. No additional polling places for early voting may be established after the schedule is published pursuant to this section.

5. The hours that early voting will be conducted at each polling place for early voting may be extended at the discretion of the county clerk after the schedule is published pursuant to this section.

Sec. 51. NRS 293.3585 is hereby amended to read as follows:

293.3585 1. Except as otherwise provided in NRS 293.283, upon the appearance of a person to cast a ballot for early voting, an election board officer shall:

(a) Determine that the person is a registered voter in the county.

(b) Instruct the voter to sign the roster for early voting, ~~for~~ a signature card ~~or the roster designated for electors who register to vote during the period for early voting pursuant to section 8 of this act, as applicable.~~

(c) Verify the signature of the voter in the manner set forth in NRS 293.277.

(d) Verify that the voter has not already voted in the current election . ~~[pursuant to this section.]~~

2. If the signature of the voter does not match, the voter must be identified by:

(a) Answering questions from the election board officer covering the personal data which is reported on the application to register to vote;

(b) Providing the election board officer, orally or in writing, with other personal data which verifies the identity of the voter; or

(c) Providing the election board officer with proof of identification as described in NRS 293.277 other than the card issued to the voter at the time he or she registered to vote or was deemed to be registered to vote.

3. If the signature of the voter has changed in comparison to the signature on the application to register to vote, the voter must update his or her signature on a form prescribed by the Secretary of State.

4. The county clerk shall prescribe a procedure, approved by the Secretary of State, to verify that the voter has not already voted in the current election . ~~[pursuant to this section.]~~

5. The roster for early voting or a signature card, as applicable, must contain:

(a) The voter's name, the address where he or she is registered to vote, his or her voter identification number and a place for the voter's signature;

(b) The voter's precinct or voting district number, if that information is available; and

(c) The date of voting early in person.

6. When a voter is entitled to cast a ballot and has identified himself or herself to the satisfaction of the election board officer, the voter is entitled to receive the appropriate ballot or ballots, but only for his or her own use at the polling place for early voting.

7. If the ballot is voted on a mechanical recording device which directly records the votes electronically, the election board officer shall:

(a) Prepare the mechanical recording device for the voter;

(b) Ensure that the voter's precinct or voting district, if that information is available, and the form of ballot are indicated on the voting receipt, if the county clerk uses voting receipts; and

(c) Allow the voter to cast a vote.

8. A voter applying to vote early by personal appearance may be challenged pursuant to NRS 293.303.

Sec. 52. NRS 293.3604 is hereby amended to read as follows:

293.3604 If ballots which are voted on a mechanical recording device which directly records the votes electronically are used during the period for early voting by personal appearance : ~~[in an election other than a presidential preference primary election:]~~

1. At the close of each voting day, the election board shall:

(a) Prepare and sign a statement for the polling place. The statement must include:

(1) The title of the election;

(2) The number which identifies the mechanical recording device and the storage device required pursuant to NRS 293B.084;

(3) The number of ballots voted on the mechanical recording device for that day;

(4) The number of signatures in the roster for early voting for that day; ~~[and]~~

(5) The number of signatures on signature cards for the day ~~[;]~~ *and*

(6) The number of signatures in the roster designated for electors who registered to vote during the period for early voting pursuant to section 8 of this act.

(b) Secure:

(1) The ballots pursuant to the plan for security required by NRS 293.3594; and

(2) Each mechanical voting device in the manner prescribed by the Secretary of State pursuant to NRS 293.3594.

2. At the close of the last voting day, the county clerk shall deliver to the ballot board for early voting:

(a) The statements for all polling places for early voting;

(b) The voting rosters used for early voting;

(c) The signature cards used for early voting;

(d) The storage device required pursuant to NRS 293B.084 from each mechanical recording device used during the period for early voting; and

(e) Any other items as determined by the county clerk.

3. Upon receipt of the items set forth in subsection 2 at the close of the last voting day, the ballot board for early voting shall:

(a) Indicate the number of ballots on an official statement of ballots; and

(b) Place the storage devices in the container provided to transport those items to the central counting place and seal the container with a numbered seal. The official statement of ballots must accompany the storage devices to the central counting place.

Sec. 52.6. NRS 293.437 is hereby amended to read as follows:

293.437 1. The county or city clerk may designate any building, public or otherwise, or any portion of a building, as the site for any polling place or any number of polling places for any of the precincts or districts in the county or city.

2. If, in the opinion of the county or city clerk, the convenience and comfort of the voters and election officers will be best served by putting two or more polling places in any such building, or if, in the opinion of the county or city clerk, the expense to the county or city for polling places can be diminished by putting

two or more polling places in any such building, the county or city clerk may so provide.

3. In precincts where there are no public buildings or other appropriate locations owned by the State, county, township, city, town or precinct, privately owned locations may be rented at a rate not to exceed \$35 for each election if only one precinct is involved and at a rate not to exceed \$50 for each election if more than one precinct is involved.

4. The legal rights and remedies which inure to the owner or lessor of private property are not impaired or otherwise affected by the leasing of the property for use as a polling place pursuant to subsection 3, except to the extent necessary to conduct voting at that location.

Sec. 53. NRS 293.4689 is hereby amended to read as follows:

293.4689 1. If a county clerk maintains a website on the Internet for information related to elections, the website must contain public information maintained, collected or compiled by the county clerk that relates to elections, which must include, without limitation:

(a) The locations of polling places for casting a ballot on election day in such a format that a registered voter may search the list to determine the location of the polling place *or places* at which the registered voter is ~~required~~ *entitled* to cast a ballot; and

(b) The abstract of votes required pursuant to the provisions of NRS 293.388.

2. The abstract of votes required to be maintained on the website pursuant to paragraph (b) of subsection 1 must be maintained in such a format as to permit the searching of the abstract of votes for specific information.

3. If the information required to be maintained by a county clerk pursuant to subsection 1 may be obtained by the public from a website on the Internet maintained by the Secretary of State, another county clerk or a city clerk, the county clerk may provide a hyperlink to that website to comply with the provisions of subsection 1 with regard to that information.

Sec. 54. NRS 293.469 is hereby amended to read as follows:

293.469 Each county clerk is encouraged to:

1. Not later than the earlier date of the notice provided pursuant to NRS 293.203 or the first notice provided pursuant to subsection ~~4~~ 5 of NRS 293.560, notify the public, through means designed to reach members of the public who are elderly or disabled, of the provisions of NRS 293.2955, 293.296, 293.313, 293.316 and 293.3165.

2. Provide in alternative audio and visual formats information concerning elections, information concerning how to preregister or register to vote and information concerning the manner of voting for use by a person who is elderly or disabled, including, without limitation, providing such information through a telecommunications device that is accessible to a person who is deaf.

3. Not later than 5 working days after receiving the request of a person who is elderly or disabled, provide to the person, in a format that can be used by the person, any requested material that is:

(a) Related to elections; and

(b) Made available by the county clerk to the public in printed form.

Sec. 55. NRS 293.485 is hereby amended to read as follows:

293.485 1. Every citizen of the United States, 18 years of age or over, who has continuously resided in this State and in the county 30 days and in the precinct 10 days next preceding the day of the next succeeding:

(a) Primary election;

(b) Primary city election;

(c) General election; or

(d) General city election,
➤ and who has registered in the manner provided in this chapter, is entitled to vote at that election.

2. *Every citizen of the United States, who is 17 years of age and who will be 18 years of age on or before the date of the general election or general city election and has continuously resided in this State and in the county 30 days and in the precinct 10 days next preceding the day of the next succeeding:*

(a) Primary election; or

(b) Primary city election,

➤ and who has preregistered in the manner provided in this chapter, is entitled to vote at that election.

3. This section does not exclude the registration of eligible persons whose 18th birthday or the date of whose completion of the required residence occurs on or before the next succeeding:

(a) Primary election;

(b) Primary city election;

(c) General election;

(d) General city election; or

(e) Any other election.

Sec. 56. NRS 293.4855 is hereby amended to read as follows:

293.4855 1. Every citizen of the United States who is 17 years of age or older but less than 18 years of age and has continuously resided in this State for 30 days or longer may preregister to vote by any of the means available for a person to register to vote pursuant to this title. A person eligible to preregister to vote is deemed to be preregistered to vote upon the submission of a completed application to preregister to vote.

2. ~~[(f)]~~ Except as otherwise provided in subsections 3 and 4, a person who preregisters to vote ~~[(he or she)]~~ shall be deemed to be a registered voter on his or her 18th birthday. ~~[(unless)]~~

3. *Except as otherwise provided in subsection 4, a person who preregisters to vote shall be deemed a registered voter only for the purposes of voting in any primary election or primary city election, if he or she will be 18 years of age on or before the date of the next general election or general city election, as applicable. The county clerk shall include any such person in the roster of registered voters for a primary election or primary city election.*

4. *A person shall not be deemed a registered voter pursuant to subsection 2 or 3 if:*

(a) The person's preregistration has been cancelled as described in subsection ~~[(7)]~~ 9; or

(b) Except as otherwise provided in NRS 293D.210, *at the time of the primary election or primary city election or* on the person's 18th birthday, *as applicable*, he or she does not satisfy the voter eligibility requirements set forth in NRS 293.485.

~~[(3)]~~ 5. The county clerk shall issue to a person who is deemed to be registered to vote pursuant to subsection 2 a voter registration card as described in ~~[(subsection 6 of)]~~ NRS 293.517 ~~[(as soon as practicable)]~~ *immediately* after the person is deemed to be registered to vote.

~~[(4)]~~ 6. On the date that a person who preregisters to vote is deemed to be registered to vote ~~[(pursuant to subsection 2)]~~, his or her application to preregister to vote is deemed to be his or her application to register to vote.

~~[(5)]~~ 7. If a person preregistered to vote:

(a) By mail or computer, he or she shall be deemed to have registered to vote by mail or computer, as applicable.

(b) In person, he or she shall be deemed to have registered to vote in person.

~~6.] 8.~~ 8. The preregistration information of a person may be updated by any of the means for updating the voter registration information of a person pursuant to this chapter.

~~7.] 9.~~ 9. The preregistration to vote of a person may be cancelled by any of the means and for any of the reasons for cancelling voter registration pursuant to this chapter.

~~8.] 10.~~ 10. Except as otherwise provided in this subsection, all preregistration information relating to a person is confidential and is not a public record. Once a person's application to preregister to vote is deemed to be an application to register to vote, any voter registration information related to the person must be disclosed pursuant to any law that requires voter registration information to be disclosed.

~~9.] 11.~~ 11. The Secretary of State shall adopt regulations providing for preregistration to vote. The regulations:

(a) Must include, without limitation, provisions to ensure that once a person is deemed to be a registered voter pursuant to subsection 2 the person is immediately issued a voter registration card and added to the statewide voter registration list and the registrar of voters' register; and

(b) Must not require a county clerk to provide to a person who preregisters to vote sample ballots or any other voter information provided to registered voters unless the person will be eligible to vote at the election for which the sample ballots or other information is provided.

Sec. 57. NRS 293.506 is hereby amended to read as follows:

293.506 1. A county clerk may, with approval of the board of county commissioners, establish a system for using a computer to register voters and to keep records of registration.

2. A system established pursuant to subsection 1 must:

(a) Comply with any procedures and requirements prescribed by the Secretary of State pursuant to NRS 293.250; and

(b) Allow a person to preregister to vote and the county clerk to keep records of preregistration by computer.

3. Regardless of whether a county clerk establishes a system pursuant to subsection 1, the county clerk shall accept applications to preregister and register to vote submitted by computer to the Secretary of State through the system established by the Secretary of State pursuant to section 11 of this act.

Sec. 58. NRS 293.510 is hereby amended to read as follows:

293.510 1. In counties where computers are not used to register voters, the county clerk shall:

(a) Segregate original applications to register to vote according to the precinct in which the registered voters reside and arrange the applications in each precinct or district in alphabetical order. The applications for each precinct or district must be kept separately for each precinct or district. These applications must be used to prepare the rosters.

(b) Arrange the duplicate applications of registration in alphabetical order for the entire county and keep them in binders or a suitable file which constitutes the registrar of voters' register.

2. In any county where a computer is used to register voters, the county clerk shall:

(a) Arrange the original applications to register to vote for the entire county in a manner in which an original application may be quickly located. These original applications constitute the registrar of voters' register.

(b) Segregate the applications to register to vote in a computer file according to the precinct or district in which the registered voters reside, and for each precinct or district have printed a computer listing which contains the applications to register to

1 vote in alphabetical order. These listings of applications to register to vote must be
2 used to prepare the rosters.

3 3. Each county clerk shall keep the applications to preregister to vote separate
4 from the applications to register to vote until such applications are deemed to be
5 applications to register to vote pursuant to *subsection 2 of* NRS 293.4855.

6 **Sec. 59.** NRS 293.517 is hereby amended to read as follows:

7 293.517 1. Any person who meets the qualifications set forth in NRS
8 293.4855 residing within the county may preregister to vote and any elector
9 residing within the county may register to vote:

10 (a) Except as otherwise provided in NRS 293.560 and 293C.527, by appearing
11 before the county clerk, a field registrar or a voter registration agency, completing
12 the application to preregister or register to vote, giving true and satisfactory
13 answers to all questions relevant to his or her identity and right to preregister or
14 register to vote, and providing proof of residence and identity;

15 (b) By completing and mailing or personally delivering to the county clerk an
16 application to preregister or register to vote pursuant to the provisions of NRS
17 293.5235;

18 (c) Pursuant to the provisions of NRS 293.524 or chapter 293D of NRS;

19 (d) At his or her residence with the assistance of a field registrar pursuant to
20 NRS 293.5237; or

21 (e) By submitting an application to preregister or register to vote by computer
22 ~~using the system:~~

23 *(1) Established by the Secretary of State pursuant to section 11 of this*
24 *act; or*

25 *(2) Established by the county clerk, if the county clerk has established a*
26 *system pursuant to NRS 293.506 for using a computer to register voters.*

27 ~~✓~~ The county clerk shall require a person to submit official identification as proof
28 of residence and identity, such as a driver's license or other official document,
29 before preregistering or registering the person. If the applicant preregisters or
30 registers to vote pursuant to this subsection and fails to provide proof of residence
31 and identity, the applicant must provide proof of residence and identity before
32 casting a ballot in person or by mail or after casting a provisional ballot pursuant to
33 NRS 293.3081 or 293.3083. For the purposes of this subsection, a voter registration
34 card issued pursuant to subsection ~~6~~ 7 does not provide proof of the residence or
35 identity of a person.

36 2. *In addition to the methods for registering to vote described in subsection*
37 *1, an elector may register to vote in person on the day of an election pursuant to*
38 *section 9 or 80 of this act.*

39 3. The application to preregister or register to vote must be signed and
40 verified under penalty of perjury by the person preregistering or the elector
41 registering.

42 ~~3.3~~ 4. Each person or elector who is or has been married must be
43 preregistered or registered under his or her own given or first name, and not under
44 the given or first name or initials of his or her spouse.

45 ~~4.4~~ 5. A person or an elector who is preregistered or registered and changes
46 his or her name must complete a new application to preregister or register to vote,
47 as applicable. The person or elector may obtain a new application:

48 (a) At the office of the county clerk or field registrar;

49 (b) By submitting an application to preregister or register to vote pursuant to
50 the provisions of NRS 293.5235;

51 (c) By submitting a written statement to the county clerk requesting the county
52 clerk to mail an application to preregister or register to vote;

53 (d) At any voter registration agency; or

(e) By submitting an application to preregister or register to vote by computer ~~using the system:~~

(1) Established by the Secretary of State pursuant to section 11 of this act; or

(2) Established by the county clerk, if the county clerk has established a system pursuant to NRS 293.506 for using a computer to register voters.

➤ If the elector fails to register under his or her new name, the elector may be challenged pursuant to the provisions of NRS 293.303 or 293C.292 and may be required to furnish proof of identity and subsequent change of name.

~~5.1~~ 6. Except as otherwise provided in subsection ~~7.1~~ 8, an elector who registers to vote pursuant to paragraph (a) of subsection 1 shall be deemed to be registered upon the completion of an application to register to vote.

~~6.1~~ 7. After the county clerk determines that the application to register to vote of a person is complete and that, except as otherwise provided in NRS 293D.210, the person is eligible to vote pursuant to NRS 293.485, the county clerk shall issue a voter registration card to the voter which contains:

(a) The name, address, political affiliation and precinct number of the voter;

(b) The date of issuance; and

(c) The signature of the county clerk.

~~7.1~~ 8. If a person or an elector submits an application to preregister or register to vote or an affidavit described in paragraph (c) of subsection 1 of NRS 293.507 that contains any handwritten additions, erasures or interlineations, the county clerk may object to the application if the county clerk believes that because of such handwritten additions, erasures or interlineations, the application is incomplete or that, except as otherwise provided in NRS 293D.210, the person is not eligible to preregister pursuant to NRS 293.485 or the elector is not eligible to vote pursuant to NRS 293.485, as applicable. If the county clerk objects pursuant to this subsection, he or she shall immediately notify the person or elector, as applicable, and the district attorney of the county. Not later than 5 business days after the district attorney receives such notification, the district attorney shall advise the county clerk as to whether:

(a) The application is complete and, except as otherwise provided in NRS 293D.210, the person is eligible to preregister pursuant to NRS 293.485 or the elector is eligible to vote pursuant to NRS 293.485; and

(b) The county clerk should proceed to process the application.

➤ If the district attorney advises the county clerk to process the application, the county clerk shall immediately issue a voter registration card to the applicant pursuant to subsection ~~6.1~~ 7, if applicable.

Sec. 60. NRS 293.517 is hereby amended to read as follows:

293.517 1. Any person who meets the qualifications set forth in NRS 293.485 residing within the county may preregister to vote and any elector residing within the county may register to vote:

(a) Except as otherwise provided in NRS 293.560 and 293C.527, by appearing before the county clerk, a field registrar or a voter registration agency, completing the application to preregister or register to vote, giving true and satisfactory answers to all questions relevant to his or her identity and right to preregister or register to vote, and providing proof of residence and identity;

(b) By completing and mailing or personally delivering to the county clerk an application to preregister or register to vote pursuant to the provisions of NRS 293.5235;

(c) Pursuant to the provisions of NRS 293.524 or chapter 293D of NRS;

(d) At his or her residence with the assistance of a field registrar pursuant to NRS 293.5237; or

1 (e) By submitting an application to preregister or register to vote by computer
2 using the system:

3 (1) Established by the Secretary of State pursuant to section 11 of this act;
4 or

5 (2) Established by the county clerk, if the county clerk has established a
6 system pursuant to NRS 293.506 for using a computer to register voters.

7 ➤ The county clerk shall require a person to submit official identification as proof
8 of residence and identity, such as a driver's license or other official document,
9 before preregistering or registering the person. If the applicant preregisters or
10 registers to vote pursuant to this subsection and fails to provide proof of residence
11 and identity, the applicant must provide proof of residence and identity before
12 casting a ballot in person or by mail or after casting a provisional ballot pursuant to
13 NRS 293.3081 or 293.3083. For the purposes of this subsection, a voter registration
14 card issued pursuant to subsection 7 does not provide proof of the residence or
15 identity of a person.

16 2. In addition to the methods for registering to vote described in subsection 1,
17 an elector may register to vote in person on the day of an election pursuant to
18 section 8, 9, 79 or 80 of this act.

19 3. The application to preregister or register to vote must be signed and
20 verified under penalty of perjury by the person preregistering or the elector
21 registering.

22 4. Each person or elector who is or has been married must be preregistered or
23 registered under his or her own given or first name, and not under the given or first
24 name or initials of his or her spouse.

25 5. A person or an elector who is preregistered or registered and changes his or
26 her name must complete a new application to preregister or register to vote, as
27 applicable. The person or elector may obtain a new application:

28 (a) At the office of the county clerk or field registrar;

29 (b) By submitting an application to preregister or register to vote pursuant to
30 the provisions of NRS 293.5235;

31 (c) By submitting a written statement to the county clerk requesting the county
32 clerk to mail an application to preregister or register to vote;

33 (d) At any voter registration agency; or

34 (e) By submitting an application to preregister or register to vote by computer
35 using the system:

36 (1) Established by the Secretary of State pursuant to section 11 of this act;
37 or

38 (2) Established by the county clerk, if the county clerk has established a
39 system pursuant to NRS 293.506 for using a computer to register voters.

40 ➤ If the elector fails to register under his or her new name, the elector may be
41 challenged pursuant to the provisions of NRS 293.303 or 293C.292 and may be
42 required to furnish proof of identity and subsequent change of name.

43 6. Except as otherwise provided in subsection 8, an elector who registers to
44 vote pursuant to paragraph (a) of subsection 1 shall be deemed to be registered
45 upon the completion of an application to register to vote.

46 7. After the county clerk determines that the application to register to vote of
47 a person is complete and that, except as otherwise provided in NRS 293D.210, the
48 person is eligible to vote pursuant to NRS 293.485, the county clerk shall issue a
49 voter registration card to the voter which contains:

50 (a) The name, address, political affiliation and precinct number of the voter;

51 (b) The date of issuance; and

52 (c) The signature of the county clerk.

8. If a person or an elector submits an application to preregister or register to vote or an affidavit described in paragraph (c) of subsection 1 of NRS 293.507 that contains any handwritten additions, erasures or interlineations, the county clerk may object to the application if the county clerk believes that because of such handwritten additions, erasures or interlineations, the application is incomplete or that, except as otherwise provided in NRS 293D.210, the person is not eligible to preregister pursuant to NRS 293.4855 or the elector is not eligible to vote pursuant to NRS 293.485, as applicable. If the county clerk objects pursuant to this subsection, he or she shall immediately notify the person or elector, as applicable, and the district attorney of the county. Not later than 5 business days after the district attorney receives such notification, the district attorney shall advise the county clerk as to whether:

(a) The application is complete and, except as otherwise provided in NRS 293D.210, the person is eligible to preregister pursuant to NRS 293.4855 or the elector is eligible to vote pursuant to NRS 293.485; and

(b) The county clerk should proceed to process the application.

➤ If the district attorney advises the county clerk to process the application, the county clerk shall immediately issue a voter registration card to the applicant pursuant to subsection 7, if applicable.

Sec. 61. NRS 293.5235 is hereby amended to read as follows:

293.5235 1. Except as otherwise provided in NRS 293.502 and chapter 293D of NRS, a person may preregister or register to vote by mailing an application to preregister or register to vote to the county clerk of the county in which the person resides or may preregister or register to vote by computer ~~and~~ *using the system established by the Secretary of State pursuant to section 11 of this act or any system established by the county clerk*, if the county clerk has established a system pursuant to NRS 293.506 for using a computer to preregister or register to vote. The county clerk shall, upon request, mail an application to preregister or register to vote to an applicant. The county clerk shall make the applications available at various public places in the county. An application to preregister to vote may be used to correct information in a previous application. An application to register to vote may be used to correct information in the registrar of voters' register.

2. An application to preregister or register to vote which is mailed to an applicant by the county clerk or made available to the public at various locations or voter registration agencies in the county may be returned to the county clerk by mail or in person. For the purposes of this section, an application which is personally delivered to the county clerk shall be deemed to have been returned by mail.

3. The applicant must complete the application, including, without limitation, checking the boxes described in paragraphs (b) and (c) of subsection 10 and signing the application.

4. The county clerk shall, upon receipt of an application, determine whether the application is complete.

5. If the county clerk determines that the application is complete, he or she shall, within 10 days after receiving the application, mail to the applicant:

(a) A notice that the applicant is preregistered or registered to vote, as applicable. If the applicant is registered to vote, the county clerk must also mail to the applicant a voter registration card as required by ~~subsection 6 of~~ NRS 293.517; or

(b) A notice that the person's application to preregister to vote or the registrar of voters' register has been corrected to reflect any changes indicated on the application.

6. Except as otherwise provided in subsection 5 of NRS 293.518, if the county clerk determines that the application is not complete, the county clerk shall, as soon as possible, mail a notice to the applicant that additional information is required to complete the application. If the applicant provides the information requested by the county clerk within 15 days after the county clerk mails the notice, the county clerk shall, within 10 days after receiving the information, mail to the applicant:

(a) A notice that the applicant is:

(1) Preregistered to vote; or

(2) Registered to vote and a voter registration card as required by ~~subsection 6 of~~ NRS 293.517; or

(b) A notice that the person's application to preregister to vote or the registrar of voters' register has been corrected to reflect any changes indicated on the application.

➤ If the applicant does not provide the additional information within the prescribed period, the application is void.

7. The applicant shall be deemed to be preregistered or registered or to have corrected the information in the application to preregister to vote or the registrar of voters' register on the date the application is postmarked or received by the county clerk, whichever is earlier.

8. If the applicant fails to check the box described in paragraph (b) of subsection 10, the application shall not be considered invalid and the county clerk shall provide a means for the applicant to correct the omission at the time the applicant appears to vote in person at the assigned polling place.

9. The Secretary of State shall prescribe the form for applications to preregister or register to vote by:

(a) Mail, which must be used to preregister or register to vote by mail in this State.

(b) Computer, which must be used to preregister or register to vote ~~in~~:

(1) *In* a county if the county clerk has established a system pursuant to NRS 293.506 for using a computer to preregister or register to vote.

(2) *Using the system established by the Secretary of State pursuant to section 11 of this act.*

10. The application to preregister or register to vote by mail must include:

(a) A notice in at least 10-point type which states:

NOTICE: You are urged to return your application to the County Clerk in person or by mail. If you choose to give your completed application to another person to return to the County Clerk on your behalf, and the person fails to deliver the application to the County Clerk, you will not be preregistered or registered to vote, as applicable. Please retain the duplicate copy or receipt from your application to preregister or register to vote.

(b) The question, "Are you a citizen of the United States?" and boxes for the applicant to check to indicate whether or not the applicant is a citizen of the United States.

(c) If the application is to:

(1) Preregister to vote, the question, "Are you at least 17 years of age and not more than 18 years of age?" and boxes to indicate whether or not the applicant is at least 17 years of age and not more than 18 years of age.

(2) Register to vote, the question, "Will you be at least 18 years of age on or before election day?" and boxes for the applicant to check to indicate whether or not the applicant will be at least 18 years of age or older on election day.

(d) A statement instructing the applicant not to complete the application if the applicant checked "no" in response to the question set forth in:

(1) If the application is to preregister to vote, paragraph (b) or subparagraph (1) of paragraph (c).

(2) If the application is to register to vote, paragraph (b) or subparagraph (2) of paragraph (c).

(e) A statement informing the applicant that if the application is submitted by mail and the applicant is preregistering or registering to vote for the first time, the applicant must submit the information set forth in paragraph (a) of subsection 2 of NRS 293.2725 to avoid the requirements of subsection 1 of NRS 293.2725 upon voting for the first time.

11. Except as otherwise provided in subsection 5 of NRS 293.518, the county clerk shall not preregister or register a person to vote pursuant to this section unless that person has provided all of the information required by the application.

12. The county clerk shall mail, by postcard, the notices required pursuant to subsections 5 and 6. If the postcard is returned to the county clerk by the United States Postal Service because the address is fictitious or the person does not live at that address, the county clerk shall attempt to determine whether the person's current residence is other than that indicated on the application to preregister or register to vote in the manner set forth in NRS 293.530.

13. A person who, by mail, preregisters or registers to vote pursuant to this section may be assisted in completing the application to preregister or register to vote by any other person. The application must include the mailing address and signature of the person who assisted the applicant. The failure to provide the information required by this subsection will not result in the application being deemed incomplete.

14. An application to preregister or register to vote must be made available to all persons, regardless of political party affiliation.

15. An application must not be altered or otherwise defaced after the applicant has completed and signed it. An application must be mailed or delivered in person to the office of the county clerk within 10 days after it is completed.

16. A person who willfully violates any of the provisions of subsection 13, 14 or 15 is guilty of a category E felony and shall be punished as provided in NRS 193.130.

17. The Secretary of State shall adopt regulations to carry out the provisions of this section.

Sec. 62. NRS 293.530 is hereby amended to read as follows:

293.530 1. Except as otherwise provided in NRS 293.541:

(a) County clerks may use any reliable and reasonable means available to correct the portions of the statewide voter registration list which are relevant to the county clerks and to determine whether a registered voter's current residence is other than that indicated on the voter's application to register to vote.

(b) A county clerk may, with the consent of the board of county commissioners, make investigations of registration in the county by census, by house-to-house canvass or by any other method.

(c) A county clerk shall cancel the registration of a voter pursuant to this subsection if:

(1) The county clerk mails a written notice to the voter which the United States Postal Service is required to forward;

(2) The county clerk mails a return postcard with the notice which has a place for the voter to write his or her new address, is addressed to the county clerk and has postage guaranteed;

(3) The voter does not respond; and

(4) The voter does not appear to vote in an election before the polls have closed in the second general election following the date of the notice.

(d) For the purposes of this subsection, the date of the notice is deemed to be 3 days after it is mailed.

(e) The county clerk shall maintain records of:

(1) Any notice mailed pursuant to paragraph (c);

(2) Any response to such notice; and

(3) Whether a person to whom a notice is mailed appears to vote in an election,

➤ for not less than 2 years after creation.

(f) The county clerk shall use any postcards which are returned to correct the portions of the statewide voter registration list which are relevant to the county clerk.

(g) If a voter fails to return the postcard mailed pursuant to paragraph (c) within 30 days, the county clerk shall designate the voter as inactive on the voter's application to register to vote.

(h) The Secretary of State shall adopt regulations to prescribe the method for maintaining a list of voters who have been designated as inactive pursuant to paragraph (g).

2. A county clerk is not required to take any action pursuant to this section in relation to a person who preregisters to vote until the person is deemed to be registered to vote pursuant to [subsection 2 of NRS 293.4855](#).

Sec. 63. NRS 293.535 is hereby amended to read as follows:

293.535 1. The county clerk shall notify a registrant if any elector or other reliable person files an affidavit with the county clerk stating that:

(a) The registrant is not a citizen of the United States; or

(b) The registrant has:

(1) Moved outside the boundaries of the county where he or she is registered to another county, state, territory or foreign country, with the intention of remaining there for an indefinite time and with the intention of abandoning his or her residence in the county where registered; and

(2) Established residence in some other state, territory or foreign country, or in some other county of this state, naming the place.

➤ The affiant must state that he or she has personal knowledge of the facts set forth in the affidavit.

2. Upon the filing of an affidavit pursuant to paragraph (b) of subsection 1, the county clerk shall notify the registrant in the manner set forth in NRS 293.530 and shall enclose a copy of the affidavit. If the registrant fails to respond or appear to vote within the required time, the county clerk shall cancel the registration.

3. An affidavit filed pursuant to paragraph (a) of subsection 1 must be filed not later than 30 days before an election. Upon the filing of such an affidavit, the county clerk shall notify the registrant by registered or certified mail, return receipt requested, of the filing of the affidavit, and shall enclose a copy of the affidavit. Unless the registrant, within 15 days after the return receipt has been filed in the office of the county clerk, presents satisfactory proof of citizenship, the county clerk shall cancel the registration.

4. The provisions of this section do not prevent the challenge provided for in NRS 293.303 or 293C.292.

5. A county clerk is not required to take any action pursuant to this section in relation to a person who is preregistered to vote until the person is deemed to be registered to vote pursuant to [subsection 3 of NRS 293.4855](#).

Sec. 64. NRS 293.560 is hereby amended to read as follows:

293.560 1. Except as otherwise provided in NRS 293.502, 293D.230 and 293D.300:

(a) For a primary or general election, or a recall or special election that is held on the same day as a primary or general election, the last day to register to vote:

(1) By mail is the fourth Tuesday preceding the primary or general election.

(2) By appearing in person at the office of the county clerk or, if open, a county facility designated pursuant to NRS 293.5035, is the third Tuesday preceding the primary or general election.

(3) By computer, if the county clerk has established a system pursuant to NRS 293.506 for using a computer to register voters, is the Thursday preceding the first day of the period for early voting.

(4) By computer using the system established by the Secretary of State pursuant to section 11 of this act, is the last day of the period for early voting.

(b) If a recall or special election is not held on the same day as a primary or general election, the last day to register to vote for the recall or special election by any means is the third Saturday preceding the recall or special election.

2. *Except as otherwise provided in sections 9 and 80 of this act, after the deadlines for the close of registration for a primary or general election set forth in subsection 1, no person may register to vote for the election.*

3. For a primary or special election, the office of the county clerk must be open until 7 p.m. during the last 2 days on which a person may register to vote in person ~~§~~ *pursuant to subparagraph (2) of paragraph (a) of subsection 1*. In a county whose population is less than 100,000, the office of the county clerk may close at 5 p.m. during the last 2 days a person may register to vote in person *pursuant to subparagraph (2) of paragraph (a) of subsection 1* if approved by the board of county commissioners.

~~§~~ 4. For a general election:

(a) In a county whose population is less than 100,000, the office of the county clerk must be open until 7 p.m. during the last 2 days on which a person may register to vote in person ~~§~~ *pursuant to subparagraph (2) of paragraph (a) of subsection 1*. The office of the county clerk may close at 5 p.m. if approved by the board of county commissioners.

(b) In a county whose population is 100,000 or more, the office of the county clerk must be open during the last 4 days on which a person may register to vote in person ~~§~~ *pursuant to subparagraph (2) of paragraph (a) of subsection 1*, according to the following schedule:

(1) On weekdays until 9 p.m.; and

(2) A minimum of 8 hours on Saturdays, Sundays and legal holidays.

~~§~~ 5. Except for a special election held pursuant to chapter 306 or 350 of NRS:

(a) The county clerk of each county shall cause a notice signed by him or her to be published in a newspaper having a general circulation in the county indicating:

(1) The day and time that registration will be closed; and

(2) If the county clerk has designated a county facility pursuant to NRS 293.5035, the location of that facility.

➤ If no such newspaper is published in the county, the publication may be made in a newspaper of general circulation published in the nearest county in this State.

(b) The notice must be published once each week for 4 consecutive weeks next preceding the close of registration for any election.

~~5.1~~ 6. The offices of the county clerk, a county facility designated pursuant to NRS 293.5035 and other ex officio registrars may remain open on the last Friday in October in each even-numbered year.

~~6.1~~ 7. A county facility designated pursuant to NRS 293.5035 may be open during the periods described in this section for such hours of operation as the county clerk may determine, as set forth in subsection 3 of NRS 293.5035.

Sec. 65. NRS 293.560 is hereby amended to read as follows:

293.560 1. Except as otherwise provided in NRS 293.502, 293D.230 and 293D.300:

(a) For a primary or general election, or a recall or special election that is held on the same day as a primary or general election, the last day to register to vote:

(1) By mail is the fourth Tuesday preceding the primary or general election.

(2) By appearing in person at the office of the county clerk or, if open, a county facility designated pursuant to NRS 293.5035, is the third Tuesday preceding the primary or general election.

(3) By computer, if the county clerk has established a system pursuant to NRS 293.506 for using a computer to register voters, is the Thursday preceding the first day of the period for early voting.

(4) By computer using the system established by the Secretary of State pursuant to section 11 of this act, is the last day of the period for early voting.

(b) If a recall or special election is not held on the same day as a primary or general election, the last day to register to vote for the recall or special election by any means is the third Saturday preceding the recall or special election.

2. Except as otherwise provided in sections 8, 9, 79 and 80 of this act, after the deadlines for the close of registration for a primary or general election set forth in subsection 1, no person may register to vote for the election.

3. For a primary or special election, the office of the county clerk must be open until 7 p.m. during the last 2 days on which a person may register to vote in person pursuant to subparagraph (2) of paragraph (a) of subsection 1. In a county whose population is less than 100,000, the office of the county clerk may close at 5 p.m. during the last 2 days a person may register to vote in person pursuant to subparagraph (2) of paragraph (a) of subsection 1 if approved by the board of county commissioners.

4. For a general election:

(a) In a county whose population is less than 100,000, the office of the county clerk must be open until 7 p.m. during the last 2 days on which a person may register to vote in person pursuant to subparagraph (2) of paragraph (a) of subsection 1. The office of the county clerk may close at 5 p.m. if approved by the board of county commissioners.

(b) In a county whose population is 100,000 or more, the office of the county clerk must be open during the last 4 days on which a person may register to vote in person pursuant to subparagraph (2) of paragraph (a) of subsection 1, according to the following schedule:

(1) On weekdays until 9 p.m.; and

(2) A minimum of 8 hours on Saturdays, Sundays and legal holidays.

5. Except for a special election held pursuant to chapter 306 or 350 of NRS:

(a) The county clerk of each county shall cause a notice signed by him or her to be published in a newspaper having a general circulation in the county indicating:

(1) The day and time that registration will be closed; and

(2) If the county clerk has designated a county facility pursuant to NRS 293.5035, the location of that facility.

1 ✎ If no such newspaper is published in the county, the publication may be made in
2 a newspaper of general circulation published in the nearest county in this State.

3 (b) The notice must be published once each week for 4 consecutive weeks next
4 preceding the close of registration for any election.

5 6. The offices of the county clerk, a county facility designated pursuant to
6 NRS 293.5035 and other ex officio registrars may remain open on the last Friday in
7 October in each even-numbered year.

8 7. A county facility designated pursuant to NRS 293.5035 may be open
9 during the periods described in this section for such hours of operation as the
10 county clerk may determine, as set forth in subsection 3 of NRS 293.5035.

11 **Sec. 66.** NRS 293.563 is hereby amended to read as follows:

12 293.563 1. During the interval between the closing of registration and the
13 election, the county clerk shall prepare for ~~each~~:

14 (a) *Each* polling place ~~for~~:

15 (1) *A* roster containing the registered voters eligible to vote at the polling
16 place ~~for~~; and

17 (2) *A roster designated for electors who register to vote on the day of the*
18 *election pursuant to section 9 or 80 of this act; and*

19 (b) *Each polling place established pursuant to section 2 or 73 of this act a*
20 *roster containing the registered voters eligible to vote in the county or city,*
21 *respectively.*

22 2. The ~~roster~~ *rosters* must be delivered or caused to be delivered by the
23 county or city clerk to an election board officer of the proper polling place before
24 the opening of the polls.

25 **Sec. 67.** NRS 293.563 is hereby amended to read as follows:

26 293.563 1. During the interval between the closing of registration and the
27 election, the county clerk shall prepare for:

28 (a) Each polling place:

29 (1) A roster containing the registered voters eligible to vote at the polling
30 place; ~~and~~

31 (2) *A roster designated for electors who register to vote during the period*
32 *for early voting pursuant to section 8 or 79 of this act; and*

33 (3) A roster designated for electors who register to vote on the day of the
34 election pursuant to section 9 or 80 of this act; and

35 (b) Each polling place established pursuant to section 2 or 73 of this act a
36 roster containing the registered voters eligible to vote in the county or city,
37 respectively.

38 2. The rosters must be delivered or caused to be delivered by the county or
39 city clerk to an election board officer of the proper polling place before the opening
40 of the polls.

41 **Sec. 68.** NRS 293.565 is hereby amended to read as follows:

42 293.565 1. Except as otherwise provided in subsection 3, sample ballots
43 must include:

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

45 (b) The fiscal note or description of anticipated financial effect, as provided
46 pursuant to NRS 218D.810, 293.250, 293.481, 295.015, 295.095 or 295.230 for
47 each proposed constitutional amendment, statewide measure, measure to be voted
48 upon only by a special district or political subdivision and advisory question;

49 (c) An explanation, as provided pursuant to NRS 218D.810, 293.250, 293.481,
50 295.121 or 295.230, of each proposed constitutional amendment, statewide
51 measure, measure to be voted upon only by a special district or political subdivision
52 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 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. A county clerk may establish a system for distributing sample ballots by electronic means to each registered voter who elects to receive a sample ballot by electronic means. Such a system may include, without limitation, electronic mail or electronic access through an Internet website. If a county clerk establishes such a system and a registered voter elects to receive a sample ballot by electronic means, the county clerk shall distribute the sample ballot to the registered voter by electronic means pursuant to the procedures and requirements set forth by regulations adopted by the Secretary of State.

5. If a registered voter does not elect to receive a sample ballot by electronic means pursuant to subsection 4, the county clerk shall distribute the sample ballot to the registered voter by mail.

6. Except as otherwise provided in subsection 7, before the period for early voting for any election begins, the county clerk shall distribute to each registered voter in the county by mail or electronic means, as applicable, the sample ballot for his or her precinct, with a notice informing the voter of the location of his or her polling place ~~H~~ **or places**. If the location of the polling place **or places** has changed since the last election:

(a) The county clerk shall mail a notice of the change to each registered voter in the county not sooner than 10 days before 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 **OR PLACES** HAS
CHANGED SINCE THE LAST ELECTION

7. If a person registers to vote less than 20 days before the date of an election, the county clerk is not required to distribute to the person the sample ballot for that election by mail or electronic means.

8. Except as otherwise provided in subsection 9, a sample ballot required to be distributed pursuant to this section must:

(a) Be prepared in at least 12-point type; and

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

NOTICE: TO RECEIVE A SAMPLE BALLOT IN

1 LARGE TYPE, CALL (Insert appropriate telephone number)

2
3 9. A portion of a sample ballot that contains a facsimile of the display area of
4 a voting device may include material in less than 12-point type to the extent
5 necessary to make the facsimile fit on the pages of the sample ballot.

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

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

12 12. The county clerk shall include in each sample ballot a statement
13 indicating that the county clerk will, upon request of a voter who is elderly or
14 disabled, make reasonable accommodations to allow the voter to vote at his or her
15 polling place *or places* and provide reasonable assistance to the voter in casting his
16 or her vote, including, without limitation, providing appropriate materials to assist
17 the voter. In addition, if the county clerk has provided pursuant to subsection 4 of
18 NRS 293.2955 for the placement at centralized voting locations of specially
19 equipped voting devices for use by voters who are elderly or disabled, the county
20 clerk shall include in the sample ballot a statement indicating:

21 (a) The addresses of such centralized voting locations;

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

24 (c) That a voter who is elderly or disabled may cast his or her ballot at such a
25 centralized voting location rather than at his or her regularly designated polling
26 place *H or places*.

27 13. The cost of distributing sample ballots for any election other than a
28 primary or general election must be borne by the political subdivision holding the
29 election.

30 **Sec. 69.** NRS 293.675 is hereby amended to read as follows:

31 293.675 1. The Secretary of State shall establish and maintain an official
32 statewide voter registration list, which may be maintained on the Internet, in
33 consultation with each county and city clerk.

34 2. The statewide voter registration list must:

35 (a) Be a uniform, centralized and interactive computerized list;

36 (b) Serve as the single method for storing and managing the official list of
37 registered voters in this State;

38 (c) Serve as the official list of registered voters for the conduct of all elections
39 in this State;

40 (d) Contain the name and registration information of every legally registered
41 voter in this State;

42 (e) Include a unique identifier assigned by the Secretary of State to each legally
43 registered voter in this State;

44 (f) Except as otherwise provided in subsection 6, be coordinated with the
45 appropriate databases of other agencies in this State;

46 (g) Be electronically accessible to each state and local election official in this
47 State at all times;

48 (h) Except as otherwise provided in subsection 7, allow for data to be shared
49 with other states under certain circumstances; and

50 (i) Be regularly maintained to ensure the integrity of the registration process
51 and the election process.

52 3. Each county and city clerk shall:

(a) Except for information related to the preregistration of persons to vote, electronically enter into the statewide voter registration list all information related to voter registration obtained by the county or city clerk at the time the information is provided to the county or city clerk; and

(b) Provide the Secretary of State with information concerning the voter registration of the county or city and other reasonable information requested by the Secretary of State in the form required by the Secretary of State to establish or maintain the statewide voter registration list.

4. In establishing and maintaining the statewide voter registration list, the Secretary of State shall enter into a cooperative agreement with the Department of Motor Vehicles to match information in the database of the statewide voter registration list with information in the appropriate database of the Department of Motor Vehicles to verify the accuracy of the information in an application to register to vote.

5. The Department of Motor Vehicles shall enter into an agreement with the Social Security Administration pursuant to 52 U.S.C. § 21083, to verify the accuracy of information in an application to register to vote.

6. *The Department of Motor Vehicles shall ensure that its database:*

(a) Is capable of processing any information related to an application to register to vote, an application to update voter registration information or a request to verify the accuracy of voter registration information as quickly as is feasible; and

(b) Does not limit the number of applications to register to vote, applications to update voter registration information or requests to verify the accuracy of voter registration information that may be processed by the database in any given day.

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

~~7.1~~ 8. The Secretary of State may:

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

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

Sec. 70. NRS 293.730 is hereby amended to read as follows:

293.730 1. A person shall not:

(a) Remain in or outside of any polling place so as to interfere with the conduct of the election.

(b) Except an election board officer, receive from any voter a ballot prepared by the voter.

(c) Remove a ballot from any polling place before the closing of the polls.

(d) Apply for or receive a ballot at any election precinct or district other than ~~the~~ one at which the person is entitled to vote.

(e) Show his or her ballot to any person, after voting, so as to reveal any of the names voted for.

(f) Inside a polling place, ask another person for whom he or she intends to vote.

(g) Except an election board officer, deliver a ballot to a voter.

(h) Except an election board officer in the course of the election board officer's official duties, inside a polling place, ask another person his or her name, address or political affiliation.

2. A voter shall not:

(a) Receive a ballot from any person other than an election board officer.

(b) Deliver to an election board or to any member thereof any ballot other than the one received.

(c) Place any mark upon his or her ballot by which it may afterward be identified as the one voted by the person.

3. Any person who violates any provision of this section is guilty of a category E felony and shall be punished as provided in NRS 193.130.

Sec. 71. NRS 293.790 is hereby amended to read as follows:

293.790 If any person whose vote has been rejected offers to vote at the same election, at any polling place other than ~~the~~ one in which the person is ~~registered~~ *entitled* to vote, such person is guilty of a gross misdemeanor.

Sec. 72. Chapter 293C of NRS is hereby amended by adding thereto the provisions set forth as sections 73 to 81, inclusive of this act.

Sec. 73. 1. *A city clerk may establish one or more polling places in the city where any person entitled to vote in the city by personal appearance may do so on the day of the primary city election or general city election.*

2. Any person entitled to vote in the city by personal appearance may do so at any polling place established pursuant to subsection 1.

Sec. 74. 1. *Except as otherwise provided in subsection 2, if a city clerk establishes one or more polling places pursuant to section 73 of this act, the city clerk must:*

(a) Publish during the week before the election in a newspaper of general circulation a notice of the location of each such polling place.

(b) Post a list of the location of each such polling place on any bulletin board used for posting notice of meetings of the governing body of the city. The list must be posted continuously for a period beginning not later than the fifth business day before the election and ending at 7 p.m. on the day of the election. The city clerk shall make copies of the list available to the public during the period of posting in reasonable quantities without charge.

2. The provisions of subsection 1 do not apply if every polling place in the city is designated as a polling place where any person entitled to vote in the city by personal appearance may do so on the day of the primary city election or general city election.

3. No additional polling place may be established pursuant to section 73 of this act after the publication pursuant to this section, except in the case of an emergency and if approved by the Secretary of State.

Sec. 75. 1. *For each polling place established pursuant to section 73 of this act, if any, the city clerk shall prepare a roster that contains, for every registered voter in the city, the voter's name, the address where he or she is registered to vote, his or her voter identification number, the voter's precinct or district number and the voter's signature.*

2. The roster must be delivered or caused to be delivered by the city clerk to an election board officer of the proper polling place before the opening of the polls.

Sec. 76. 1. *Except as otherwise provided in NRS 293C.272, upon the appearance of a person to cast a ballot at a polling place established pursuant to section 73 of this act, if any, the election board officer shall:*

1 (a) Determine that the person is a registered voter in the city and has not
2 already voted in that city in the election;

3 (b) Instruct the voter to sign the roster or a signature card; and

4 (c) Verify the signature of the voter in the manner set forth in NRS
5 293C.270.

6 2. If the signature of the voter does not match, the voter must be identified
7 by:

8 (a) Answering questions from the election board officer covering the
9 personal data which is reported on the application to register to vote;

10 (b) Providing the election board officer, orally or in writing, with other
11 personal data which verifies the identity of the voter; or

12 (c) Providing the election board officer with proof of identification as
13 described in NRS 293C.270 other than the card issued to the voter at the time he
14 or she registered to vote.

15 3. If the signature of the voter has changed in comparison to the signature
16 on the application to register to vote, the voter must update his or her signature
17 on a form prescribed by the Secretary of State.

18 4. The city clerk shall prescribe a procedure, approved by the Secretary of
19 State, to verify that the voter has not already voted in that city in the current
20 election.

21 5. When a voter is entitled to cast a ballot and has identified himself or
22 herself to the satisfaction of the election board officer, the voter is entitled to
23 receive the appropriate ballot or ballots, but only for his or her own use at the
24 polling place where he or she applies to vote.

25 6. If the ballot is voted on a mechanical recording device which directly
26 records the votes electronically, the election board officer shall:

27 (a) Prepare the mechanical voting device for the voter;

28 (b) Ensure that the voter's precinct or voting district and the form of the
29 ballot are indicated on the voting receipt, if the city clerk uses voting receipts; and

30 (c) Allow the voter to cast a vote.

31 7. A voter applying to vote at a polling place established pursuant to section
32 73 of this act, if any, may be challenged pursuant to NRS 293C.292.

33 **Sec. 77.** 1. During the period for early voting, an elector may register to
34 vote by submitting an application to preregister or register to vote by computer
35 using the system established by the Secretary of State pursuant to section 11 of
36 this act.

37 2. An elector who registers to vote pursuant to this section may vote only on
38 the day of the primary city election or general city election at:

39 (a) A polling place established pursuant to section 73 of this act, if one has
40 been established in the city in which the elector has registered to vote; or

41 (b) The polling place for his or her election precinct.

42 3. The county clerk shall issue to a person who registers to vote pursuant to
43 subsection 1 a voter registration card as described in NRS 293.517 as soon as
44 practicable after the election.

45 4. The provisions of this section do not apply to a city election if all ballots
46 must be cast by mail pursuant to NRS 293C.112.

47 **Sec. 78.** Section 77 of this act is hereby amended to read as follows:

48 Sec. 77. 1. During the period for early voting, an elector may
49 register to vote by submitting an application to preregister or register to
50 vote by computer using the system established by the Secretary of State
51 pursuant to section 11 of this act.

52 2. An elector who registers to vote pursuant to this section may vote
53 ~~{only on}~~ .

1 (a) *During the period for early voting, at any polling place in the city;*
2 and

3 (b) *On the day of the primary city election or general city election at:*
4 ~~[(a)]~~ (1) *A polling place established pursuant to section 73 of this act,*
5 *if one has been established in the city in which the elector has registered to*
6 *vote; or*

7 ~~[(b)]~~ (2) *The polling place for his or her election precinct.*

8 3. *The county clerk shall issue to a person who registers to vote*
9 *pursuant to subsection 1 a voter registration card as described in NRS*
10 *293.517 as soon as practicable after the election.*

11 4. *The provisions of this section do not apply to a city election if all*
12 *ballots must be cast by mail pursuant to NRS 293C.112.*

13 **Sec. 79. 1. *An elector may register to vote in person at any polling place***
14 ***for early voting by personal appearance in the city where the elector resides.***

15 **2. *To register to vote in person during the period for early voting, an elector***
16 ***must:***

17 (a) *Appear before the close of polls at a polling place in the city;*

18 (b) *Complete the application to register to vote by computer using the system*
19 *established by the Secretary of State pursuant to section 11 of this act;*

20 (c) *Except as otherwise provided in subsection 3, provide his or her current*
21 *and valid driver's license or an identification card issued by the Department of*
22 *Motor Vehicles which shows his or her physical address as proof of the elector's*
23 *identity and residency.*

24 3. *If the elector's driver's license or identification card issued by the*
25 *Department of Motor Vehicles does not have the elector's current residential*
26 *address, the following documents may be used to establish the residency of an*
27 *elector if the current residential address of the elector, as indicated on his or her*
28 *application to register to vote, is displayed on the document:*

29 (a) *A military identification card;*

30 (b) *A utility bill, including, without limitation, a bill for electric, gas, oil,*
31 *water, sewer, septic, telephone, cellular telephone or cable television service;*

32 (c) *A bank or credit union statement;*

33 (d) *A paycheck;*

34 (e) *An income tax return;*

35 (f) *A statement concerning the mortgage, rental or lease of a residence;*

36 (g) *A motor vehicle registration;*

37 (h) *A property tax statement; or*

38 (i) *Any other document issued by a governmental agency.*

39 4. *An elector who registers to vote pursuant to this section shall be deemed*
40 *to be registered to vote upon:*

41 (a) *A determination that the application to register to vote is complete; and*

42 (b) *The verification of the elector's identity and residency.*

43 5. *An elector who registers to vote pursuant to this section may vote in the*
44 *primary city election or general city election only at the polling place at which the*
45 *elector registers to vote.*

46 6. *The county clerk shall issue to a person who is deemed to be a registered*
47 *voter pursuant to subsection 4 a voter registration card as described in NRS*
48 *293.517 as soon as practicable after the election.*

49 7. *The provisions of this section do not apply to a city election if:*

50 (a) *The governing body of a city did not provide for the conduct of early*
51 *voting by personal appearance pursuant to NRS 293C.110; or*

52 (b) *All ballots must be cast by mail pursuant to NRS 293C.112.*

1 **Sec. 80.** *1. Except as otherwise provided in subsection 7, on the day of a*
2 *primary city election or general city election, an elector may register to vote in*
3 *person at any polling place in the county where the elector resides.*

4 *2. To register to vote on the day of the primary city election or general city*
5 *election, an elector must:*

6 (i) *Appear before the close of polls at a polling place;*

7 (ii) *Complete the application to register to vote using the system established*
8 *by the Secretary of State pursuant to section 11 of this act; and*

9 (iii) *Except as otherwise provided in subsection 3, provide his or her current*
10 *and valid driver's license or an identification card issued by the Department of*
11 *Motor Vehicles which shows his or her physical address as proof of the elector's*
12 *identity and residency.*

13 *3. If the elector's driver's license or identification card issued by the*
14 *Department of Motor Vehicles does not have the elector's current residential*
15 *address, the following documents may be used to establish the residency of an*
16 *elector if the current residential address of the elector, as indicated on his or her*
17 *application to register to vote, is displayed on the document:*

18 (i) *A military identification card;*

19 (ii) *A utility bill, including, without limitation, a bill for electric, gas, oil,*
20 *water, sewer, septic, telephone, cellular telephone or cable television service;*

21 (iii) *A bank or credit union statement;*

22 (iv) *A paycheck;*

23 (v) *An income tax return;*

24 (vi) *A statement concerning the mortgage, rental or lease of a residence;*

25 (vii) *A motor vehicle registration;*

26 (viii) *A property tax statement; or*

27 (ix) *Any other document issued by a governmental agency.*

28 *4. An elector who registers to vote pursuant to this section shall be deemed*
29 *to be registered to vote upon:*

30 (i) *A determination that the application to register to vote is complete; and*

31 (ii) *The verification of the elector's identity and residency.*

32 *5. An elector who registers to vote pursuant to this section:*

33 (i) *May vote in the primary city election or general city election only at the*
34 *polling place at which the elector registers to vote; and*

35 (ii) *Must vote by casting a provisional ballot pursuant to NRS 293.3081.*

36 *6. The county clerk shall issue to a person who is deemed to be a registered*
37 *voter pursuant to subsection 4 a voter registration card as described in NRS*
38 *293.517 as soon as practicable after the election.*

39 *7. The provisions of this section do not apply to a city election conducted*
40 *pursuant to NRS 293C.112 where all ballots must be cast by mail.*

41 **Sec. 81.** Section 80 of this act is hereby amended to read as follows:

42 Sec. 80. 1. Except as otherwise provided in subsection 7, on the
43 day of a primary city election or general city election, an elector may
44 register to vote in person at any polling place in the county where the
45 elector resides.

46 2. To register to vote on the day of the primary city election or
47 general city election, an elector must:

48 (i) Appear before the close of polls at a polling place;

49 (ii) Complete the application to register to vote using the system
50 established by the Secretary of State pursuant to section 11 of this act; and

51 (iii) Except as otherwise provided in subsection 3, provide his or her
52 current and valid driver's license or an identification card issued by the

Department of Motor Vehicles which shows his or her physical address as proof of the elector's identity and residency.

3. If the elector's driver's license or identification card issued by the Department of Motor Vehicles does not have the elector's current residential address, the following documents may be used to establish the residency of an elector if the current residential address of the elector, as indicated on his or her application to register to vote, is displayed on the document:

- (a) A military identification card;
- (b) A utility bill, including, without limitation, a bill for electric, gas, oil, water, sewer, septic, telephone, cellular telephone or cable television service;
- (c) A bank or credit union statement;
- (d) A paycheck;
- (e) An income tax return;
- (f) A statement concerning the mortgage, rental or lease of a residence;
- (g) A motor vehicle registration;
- (h) A property tax statement; or
- (i) Any other document issued by a governmental agency.

4. An elector who registers to vote pursuant to this section shall be deemed to be registered to vote upon:

- (a) A determination that the application to register to vote is complete; and

- (b) The verification of the elector's identity and residency.

5. An elector who registers to vote pursuant to this section ~~f;~~
~~(a) May~~ *may* vote in the primary city election or general city election only at the polling place at which the elector registers to vote. ~~f; and~~

~~(b) Must vote by casting a provisional ballot pursuant to NRS 293.3081.;~~

6. The county clerk shall issue to a person who is deemed to be a registered voter pursuant to subsection 4 a voter registration card as described in NRS 293.517 as soon as practicable after the election.

7. The provisions of this section do not apply to a city election conducted pursuant to NRS 293C.112 where all ballots must be cast by mail.

Sec. 82. NRS 293C.110 is hereby amended to read as follows:

293C.110 1. Except as otherwise provided in subsection 2, conduct of any city election is under the control of the governing body of the city, and it shall, by ordinance, provide for the holding of the election, appoint the necessary election officers and election boards and do all other things required to carry the election into effect.

2. Except as otherwise provided in NRS 293C.112, the governing body of the city shall provide for:

- (a) Absent ballots to be voted in a city election pursuant to NRS 293C.304 to 293C.325, inclusive, and 293C.330 to 293C.340, inclusive; and

- (b) The conduct of:

- (1) Early voting by personal appearance in a city election pursuant to NRS 293C.355 to 293C.361, inclusive ~~f;~~, *and sections 8 and 79 of this act;*

- (2) Voting by absent ballot in person in a city election pursuant to NRS 293C.327; or

- (3) Both early voting by personal appearance as described in subparagraph (1) and voting by absent ballot in person as described in subparagraph (2).

Sec. 83. NRS 293C.112 is hereby amended to read as follows:

293C.112 1. The governing body of a city may conduct a city election in which all ballots must be cast by mail if:

(a) The election is a special election; or

(b) The election is a primary city election or general city election in which the ballot includes only:

(1) Offices and ballot questions that may be voted on by the registered voters of only one ward; or

(2) One office or ballot question.

2. The provisions of *sections 6 and 9 of this act*, NRS 293C.265 to 293C.302, inclusive, *and section 80 of this act*, 293C.304 to 293C.340, inclusive, and 293C.355 to 293C.361, inclusive, *and section 77 of this act* do not apply to an election conducted pursuant to this section.

3. For the purposes of an election conducted pursuant to this section, each precinct in the city shall be deemed to have been designated a mailing precinct pursuant to NRS 293C.342.

Sec. 84. NRS 293C.112 is hereby amended to read as follows:

293C.112 1. The governing body of a city may conduct a city election in which all ballots must be cast by mail if:

(a) The election is a special election; or

(b) The election is a primary city election or general city election in which the ballot includes only:

(1) Offices and ballot questions that may be voted on by the registered voters of only one ward; or

(2) One office or ballot question.

2. The provisions of sections 6 and 9 of this act, NRS 293C.265 to 293C.302, inclusive, and section 80 of this act, 293C.304 to 293C.340, inclusive, and 293C.355 to 293C.361, inclusive, and ~~[section]~~ *sections 77 and 78* of this act, do not apply to an election conducted pursuant to this section.

3. For the purposes of an election conducted pursuant to this section, each precinct in the city shall be deemed to have been designated a mailing precinct pursuant to NRS 293C.342.

Sec. 85. NRS 293C.187 is hereby amended to read as follows:

293C.187 Not later than 30 days before the primary city election and the general city election, the city clerk shall cause to be published a notice of the election in a newspaper of general circulation in the city once a week for 2 successive weeks. If a newspaper of general circulation is not published in the city, the publication may be made in a newspaper of general circulation published within the county in which the city is located. If a newspaper of general circulation is not published in that county, the publication may be made in a newspaper of general circulation published in the nearest Nevada county. The notice must contain:

1. The date of the election.

2. The location of the polling places.

3. The hours during which the polling places will be open for voting.

~~4. The names of the candidates.~~

~~5. A list of the offices to which the candidates seek nomination or election.]~~

Sec. 86. NRS 293C.222 is hereby amended to read as follows:

293C.222 1. The city clerk may appoint a pupil as a trainee for the position of election board officer. To qualify for such an appointment, the pupil must be:

(a) A United States citizen, a resident of Nevada and a resident of the city in which the pupil serves;

(b) Enrolled in high school; and

(c) At the time of service, at least 16 years of age.

2. The city clerk may only appoint a pupil as a trainee if:

(a) The pupil is appointed without party affiliation;

(b) The city clerk sends the pupil a certificate stating the date and hours that the pupil will act as a trainee;

(c) At least 20 days before the election in which the pupil will act as a trainee, the principal of the high school or the assigned school counselor of the pupil receives the city clerk's certificate and a written request signed by the pupil's parent or guardian to be excused from school for the time specified in the certificate;

(d) The principal of the high school or the assigned school counselor of the pupil approves the pupil's request; and

(e) The pupil attends the training class required by NRS 293B.260.

3. Except as otherwise provided in this subsection, the city clerk may assign a trainee such duties as the city clerk deems appropriate. The city clerk shall not ~~+~~

~~—(a) Require~~ *require* the trainee to perform those duties later than 10 p.m., or any applicable curfew, whichever is earlier. ~~+~~ ~~or~~

~~—(b) Assign more than one trainee to serve as an election board officer in any one polling place.~~

4. The city clerk may compensate a trainee for service at the same rate fixed for election board officers generally.

Sec. 87. NRS 293C.265 is hereby amended to read as follows:

293C.265 1. Except as otherwise provided in subsection 2 and in NRS 293.2725 and 293.3083, a person who registered by mail or computer to vote shall, for the first city election in which the person votes at which that registration is valid, vote in person unless he or she has previously voted in the county in which he or she is registered to vote.

2. The provisions of subsection 1 do not apply to a person who:

(a) Is entitled to vote in the manner prescribed in NRS 293C.342 to 293C.352, inclusive;

(b) Is entitled to vote an absent ballot pursuant to federal law, ~~+~~ ~~or~~ NRS 293C.317 ~~for 293C.318~~ or chapter 293D of NRS;

(c) Is disabled;

(d) *Is provided the right to vote otherwise than in person pursuant to the Voting Accessibility for the Elderly and Handicapped Act, 52 U.S.C. §§ 20101 et seq.;*

(e) Submits or has previously submitted a written request for an absent ballot that is signed by the registered voter before a notary public or other person authorized to administer an oath; or

~~+~~ ~~(f)~~ Requests an absent ballot in person at the office of the city clerk.

Sec. 88. NRS 293C.267 is hereby amended to read as follows:

293C.267 1. Except as otherwise provided in ~~[subsection 2 and]~~ NRS 293C.297, at all elections held pursuant to the provisions of this chapter, the polls must open at 7 a.m. and close at 7 p.m.

2. ~~[Whenever at any election all the votes of the polling place, as shown on the roster, have been cast, the election board officers shall close the polls and the counting of votes must begin and continue without unnecessary delay until the count is completed.~~

~~—3.]~~ Upon opening the polls, one of the election board officers shall cause a proclamation to be made so that all present may be aware of the fact that applications of registered voters to vote will be received.

~~[4.]~~ 3. No person other than election board officers engaged in receiving, preparing or depositing ballots may be permitted inside the guardrail during the

time the polls are open, except by authority of the election board as necessary to keep order and carry out the provisions of this chapter.

Sec. 89. NRS 293C.270 is hereby amended to read as follows:

293C.270 1. Except as otherwise provided in NRS 293C.272, if a person's name appears in the roster, ~~for~~ if the person provides an affirmation pursuant to NRS 293C.525 ~~or~~ *or if the person registered to vote or updated his or her voter registration information on the day of a city election pursuant to section 80 of this act*, the person is entitled to vote and must sign his or her name in the *appropriate* roster or on a signature card when he or she applies to vote. The signature must be compared by an election board officer with the signature or a facsimile thereof on the person's application to register to vote or one of the forms of identification listed in subsection 2.

2. The forms of identification that may be used to identify a voter at the polling place are:

(a) The card issued to the voter at the time he or she registered to vote or was deemed to be registered to vote;

(b) A driver's license;

(c) An identification card issued by the Department of Motor Vehicles;

(d) A military identification card; or

(e) Any other form of identification issued by a governmental agency that contains the voter's signature and physical description or picture.

3. *The city clerk shall prescribe a procedure, approved by the Secretary of State, to determine that the voter has not already voted in the current election.*

Sec. 90. NRS 293C.275 is hereby amended to read as follows:

293C.275 1. Except as otherwise provided in NRS 293C.272, a registered voter who applies to vote must state his or her name to the election board officer in charge of the roster, and the officer shall immediately announce the name, instruct the voter to sign the roster or signature card, ~~and~~ verify the signature of the voter in the manner set forth in NRS 293C.270 ~~and~~ *and verify that the registered voter has not already voted in the current election.*

2. If the signature does not match, the voter must be identified by:

(a) Answering questions from the election board officer covering the personal data which is reported on the application to register to vote;

(b) Providing the election board officer, orally or in writing, with other personal data which verifies the identity of the voter; or

(c) Providing the election board officer with proof of identification as described in NRS 293C.270 other than the card issued to the voter at the time he or she registered to vote or was deemed to be registered to vote.

3. If the signature of the voter has changed in comparison to the signature on the application to register to vote, the voter must update his or her signature on a form prescribed by the Secretary of State.

Sec. 91. NRS 293C.282 is hereby amended to read as follows:

293C.282 1. Any registered voter who, because of a physical disability or an inability to read or write English, is unable to mark a ballot or use any voting device without assistance is entitled to assistance from a consenting person of his or her own choice, except:

(a) The voter's employer or an agent of the voter's employer; or

(b) An officer or agent of the voter's labor organization.

2. A person providing assistance pursuant to this section to a voter in casting a vote shall not disclose any information with respect to the casting of that ballot.

3. The right to assistance in casting a ballot may not be denied or impaired when the need for assistance is apparent or is known to the election board or any

member thereof or when the registered voter requests such assistance in any manner.

4. In addition to complying with the requirements of this section, the city clerk and election board officer shall, upon the request of a registered voter with a physical disability, make reasonable accommodations to allow the voter to vote at ~~this or her~~ a polling place ~~at which he or she is entitled to vote~~.

Sec. 92. NRS 293C.297 is hereby amended to read as follows:

293C.297 1. If at the hour of closing the polls there are any ~~registered~~ :

(a) ~~Registered~~ voters waiting to vote ~~at~~ ; or

(b) ~~Persons waiting to register to vote~~,

the doors of the polling place must be closed after all those ~~voters~~ persons have been admitted to the polling place. Voting, *and if applicable, the registration of voters*, must continue until those ~~voters~~ persons have voted.

2. The officer appointed by the chief law enforcement officer of the city shall allow other persons to enter the polling place after the doors have been closed to observe or for any other lawful purpose if there is room within the polling place and their admittance will not interfere with the voting ~~at~~ *or the registration of voters*.

Sec. 93. NRS 293C.306 is hereby amended to read as follows:

293C.306 1. A person who, during the 6 months immediately preceding an election, distributes to more than a total of 500 registered voters a form to request an absent ballot for the election shall:

(a) Distribute the form prescribed by the Secretary of State, which must, in 14-point type or larger:

(1) Identify the person who is distributing the form; and

(2) Include a notice stating, "This is a request for an absent ballot.";

(b) Not later than ~~four~~ 28 days before distributing such a form, provide to the city clerk of each city to which a form will be distributed written notification of the approximate number of forms to be distributed to voters in the city and of the first date on which the forms will be distributed;

(c) Not return or offer to return to the city clerk a form that was mailed to a registered voter pursuant to this subsection; and

(d) Not mail such a form later than ~~twenty~~ 35 days before the election.

2. The provisions of this section do not authorize a person to vote by absent ballot if the person is not otherwise eligible to vote by absent ballot.

Sec. 94. NRS 293C.310 is hereby amended to read as follows:

293C.310 1. Except as otherwise provided in NRS 293.502 and 293C.265, a registered voter may request an absent ballot if, before 5 p.m. on the ~~seventh~~ 14th calendar day preceding the election, the registered voter:

(a) Provides sufficient written notice to the city clerk; and

(b) Has identified himself or herself to the satisfaction of the city clerk.

2. A city clerk shall consider a request from a voter who has given sufficient written notice on a form provided by the Federal Government as:

(a) A request for the primary city election and the general city election unless otherwise specified in the request; and

(b) A request for an absent ballot for the primary and general elections immediately following the date on which the city clerk received the request.

3. It is unlawful for a person fraudulently to request an absent ballot in the name of another person or to induce or coerce another person fraudulently to request an absent ballot in the name of another person. A person who violates any provision of this subsection is guilty of a category E felony and shall be punished as provided in NRS 193.130.

Sec. 95. NRS 293C.318 is hereby amended to read as follows:

293C.318 1. A registered voter ~~[with a physical disability or]~~ who ~~[is at least 65 years of age and]~~ provides sufficient written notice to the appropriate city clerk may request that the registered voter receive an absent ballot for all elections at which the registered voter is eligible to vote.

2. Except as otherwise provided in subsection 4, upon receipt of a request submitted by a registered voter pursuant to subsection 1, the city clerk shall:

(a) Issue an absent ballot to the registered voter for each primary city election, general city election and special city election that is conducted after the date the written statement is submitted to the city clerk.

(b) Inform the county clerk of receipt of the written statement. Upon receipt of the notice from the city clerk, the county clerk shall issue an absent ballot for each primary election, general election and special election that is not a city election that is conducted after the date the county clerk receives notice from the city clerk.

3. If, at the direction of the registered voter ~~[]~~ *with a physical disability or who is at least 65 years of age*, a person:

(a) Marks and signs an absent ballot issued to a registered voter pursuant to the provisions of this section on behalf of the registered voter, the person must:

(1) Indicate next to his or her signature that the ballot has been marked and signed on behalf of the registered voter; and

(2) Submit a written statement with the absent ballot that includes the name, address and signature of the person.

(b) Assists a registered voter to mark and sign an absent ballot issued to the registered voter pursuant to this section, the person or registered voter must submit a written statement with the absent ballot that includes the name, address and signature of the person.

4. A city clerk may not mail an absent ballot requested by a registered voter pursuant to subsection 1 if, after the request is submitted:

(a) The registered voter is designated inactive pursuant to NRS 293.530; ~~[or]~~

(b) The county clerk cancels the registration of the person pursuant to NRS 293.527, 293.530, 293.535 or 293.540 ~~[]~~; *or*

(c) An absent ballot is returned to the county clerk as undeliverable, unless the registered voter has submitted a new request pursuant to subsection 1.

5. The procedure authorized pursuant to this section is subject to all other provisions of this chapter relating to voting by absent ballot to the extent that those provisions are not inconsistent with the provisions of this section.

Sec. 96. NRS 293C.325 is hereby amended to read as follows:

293C.325 1. Except as otherwise provided in ~~[subsection 2 and]~~ NRS 293D.200, when an absent ballot is returned by a registered voter to the city clerk through the mail, by facsimile machine or other approved electronic transmission or in person, and record thereof is made in the absent ballot record book, the city clerk shall *check the signature in accordance with the following procedure:*

(a) The city clerk shall check the signature on the return envelope, facsimile or other approved electronic transmission against all signatures of the voter available in the records of the city clerk.

(b) If at least two employees in the office of the city clerk believe there is a reasonable question of fact as to whether the signature on the absent ballot matches the signature of the voter, the city clerk shall immediately contact the voter and ask the voter to confirm whether the signature on the absent ballot belongs to the voter.

(c) If the voter does not respond within 3 days to the city clerk, the signature shall be presumed to belong to the voter.

1 2. *Except as otherwise provided in subsection 3, if the city clerk determines*
2 *pursuant to subsection 1 that the absent voter is entitled to cast a ballot and:*

3 (a) *No absent ballot central counting board has been appointed, the city clerk*
4 *shall* neatly stack, unopened, the absent ballot with any other absent ballot received
5 that day in a container and deliver, or cause to be delivered, that container to the
6 appropriate election board.

7 ~~{2. Except as otherwise provided in NRS 293D.200, if an}~~

8 (b) *An* absent ballot central counting board has been appointed, ~~{when an~~
9 ~~absent ballot is returned by a registered voter to the city clerk through the mail, by~~
10 ~~facsimile machine or other approved electronic transmission or in person, the city~~
11 ~~clerk shall check the signature on the return envelope, facsimile or other approved~~
12 ~~electronic transmission against the original signature of the voter on the city clerk's~~
13 ~~register. If the city clerk determines that the absent voter is entitled to cast a ballot,}~~
14 the city clerk shall deposit the ballot in the proper ballot box or place the ballot,
15 unopened, in a container that must be securely locked or under the control of the
16 city clerk at all times. At the end of each day before election day, the city clerk may
17 remove the ballots from each ballot box, neatly stack the ballots in a container and
18 seal the container with a numbered seal. Not earlier than 4 working days before the
19 election, the city clerk shall deliver the ballots to the absent ballot central counting
20 board to be processed and prepared for counting pursuant to the procedures
21 established by the Secretary of State to ensure the confidentiality of the prepared
22 ballots until after the polls have closed pursuant to NRS 293C.267 or 293C.297.

23 3. *If the city clerk determines pursuant to subsection 1 that the absent voter*
24 *has neglected to sign the return envelope as required pursuant to NRS 293.330*
25 *but is otherwise entitled to cast a ballot, the city clerk shall contact the absent*
26 *voter and advise the voter of the procedures to sign the return envelope*
27 *established pursuant to subsection 4. The absent ballot must be signed by the*
28 *voter not later than the third working day following the election. If the absent*
29 *voter then signs the return envelope, the city clerk shall deposit the voted ballot*
30 *pursuant to the requirements of subsection 2.*

31 4. *Each city clerk shall prescribe procedures for a voter who has neglected*
32 *to sign the return envelope of an absent ballot to:*

33 (a) *Contact the voter;*

34 (b) *Allow the voter to sign the unsigned return envelope; and*

35 (c) *Count the absent ballot if it is signed after the absent ballots have been*
36 *delivered to the appropriate election board or the absent ballot central counting*
37 *board, as applicable.*

38 **Sec. 97.** NRS 293C.330 is hereby amended to read as follows:

39 293C.330 1. Except as otherwise provided in subsection 2 of NRS
40 293C.322 and chapter 293D of NRS, and any regulations adopted pursuant thereto,
41 when an absent voter receives an absent ballot, the absent voter must mark and fold
42 it in accordance with the instructions, deposit it in the return envelope, seal the
43 envelope, affix his or her signature on the back of the envelope in the space
44 provided therefor and mail *or deliver* the return envelope.

45 2. Except as otherwise provided in subsection 3, if an absent voter who has
46 requested a ballot by mail applies to vote the ballot in person at:

47 (a) The office of the city clerk, the absent voter must mark the ballot, seal it in
48 the return envelope and affix his or her signature in the same manner as provided in
49 subsection 1, and deliver the envelope to the city clerk.

50 (b) A polling place, including, without limitation, a polling place for early
51 voting, the absent voter must surrender the absent ballot and provide satisfactory
52 identification before being issued a ballot to vote at the polling place. A person who
53 receives a surrendered absent ballot shall mark it "Cancelled."

3. If an absent voter who has requested a ballot by mail applies to vote in person at the office of the city clerk or a polling place, including, without limitation, a polling place for early voting, and the voter does not have the absent ballot to deliver or surrender, the voter must be issued a ballot to vote if the voter:

(a) Provides satisfactory identification;

(b) Is a registered voter who is otherwise entitled to vote; and

(c) Signs an affirmation under penalty of perjury on a form prepared by the Secretary of State declaring that the voter has not voted during the election.

4. Except as otherwise provided in NRS 293C.317 and 293C.318, it is unlawful for any person to return an absent ballot other than the voter who requested the absent ballot or, at the request of the voter, a member of the voter's family. A person who returns an absent ballot and who is a member of the family of the voter who requested the absent ballot shall, under penalty of perjury, indicate on a form prescribed by the city clerk that the person is a member of the family of the voter who requested the absent ballot and that the voter requested that the person return the absent ballot. A person who violates the provisions of this subsection is guilty of a category E felony and shall be punished as provided in NRS 193.130.

Sec. 98. NRS 293C.332 is hereby amended to read as follows:

293C.332 **1.** Except as otherwise provided in NRS 293D.200, on the day of an election, the election boards receiving the absent voters' ballots from the city clerk shall, in the presence of a majority of the election board officers, remove the ballots from the ballot box and the containers in which the ballots were transported pursuant to NRS 293C.325 and deposit the ballots in the regular ballot box in the following manner:

~~{1-}~~ **(a)** The name of the voter, as shown on the return envelope or approved electronic transmission must be called and checked as if the voter were voting in person;

~~{2-}~~ **(b)** The signature on the back of the return envelope or on the approved electronic transmission must be compared with that on the application to register to vote;

~~{3-}~~ **(c)** If the board determines that the absent voter is entitled to cast a ballot, the envelope must be opened, the numbers on the ballot and envelope or approved electronic transmission compared, the number strip or stub detached from the ballot and, if the numbers are the same, the ballot deposited in the regular ballot box; and

~~{4-}~~ **(d)** The election board officers shall indicate in the roster "Voted" by the name of the voter.

2. *Counting of absent ballots must continue until all absent ballots have been received by the city clerk at such times as designated by the city clerk until the votes must be canvassed by the board of county commissioners pursuant to NRS 293C.387.*

Sec. 99. NRS 293C.355 is hereby amended to read as follows:

293C.355 The provisions of NRS 293C.355 to 293C.361, inclusive, *and section 80 of this act* apply to a city only if the governing body of the city has provided for early voting by personal appearance pursuant to paragraph (b) of subsection 2 of NRS 293C.110.

Sec. 100. NRS 293C.355 is hereby amended to read as follows:

293C.355 The provisions of NRS 293C.355 to 293C.361, inclusive, and ~~{section}~~ *sections 79 and 80* of this act apply to a city only if the governing body of the city has provided for early voting by personal appearance pursuant to paragraph (b) of subsection 2 of NRS 293C.110.

Sec. 101. NRS 293C.3568 is hereby amended to read as follows:

293C.3568 **1.** The period for early voting by personal appearance begins the third Saturday preceding a primary city election or general city election, and

1 extends through the Friday before election day, Sundays and federal holidays
2 excepted.

3 2. The city clerk may:

4 (a) Include any Sunday or federal holiday that falls within the period for early
5 voting by personal appearance.

6 (b) Require a permanent polling place for early voting to remain open until 8
7 p.m. on any Saturday that falls within the period for early voting.

8 3. A permanent polling place for early voting must remain open:

9 (a) On Monday through Friday ~~[-]~~

10 ~~— (1) During the first week of early voting, from 8 a.m. until 6 p.m.~~

11 ~~— (2) During the [second week] period of early voting [-, from 8 a.m.~~
12 ~~until 6 p.m., or until 8 p.m. if.] for at least 8 hours during such hours as the city~~
13 ~~clerk [so requires.] may establish.~~

14 (b) On any Saturday that falls within the period for early voting, for at least 4
15 hours ~~[between 10 a.m. and 6 p.m.] during such hours as the city clerk may~~
16 ~~establish.~~

17 (c) If the city clerk includes a Sunday that falls within the period for early
18 voting pursuant to subsection 2, during such hours as the city clerk may establish.

19 **Sec. 102.** NRS 293C.3576 is hereby amended to read as follows:

20 293C.3576 1. The city clerk shall publish during the week before the period
21 for early voting and at least once each week during the period for early voting in a
22 newspaper of general circulation a schedule stating:

23 (a) The location of each permanent and temporary polling place for early
24 voting.

25 (b) The dates and hours that early voting will be conducted at each location.

26 2. The city clerk shall post a copy of the schedule on the bulletin board used
27 for posting notice of the meetings of the city council. The schedule must be posted
28 continuously for a period beginning not later than the fifth day before the first day
29 of the period for early voting by personal appearance and ending on the last day of
30 that period.

31 3. The city clerk shall make copies of the schedule available to the public in
32 reasonable quantities without charge during the period of posting.

33 4. No additional polling places for early voting may be established after the
34 schedule is published pursuant to this section.

35 **5. The hours that early voting will be conducted at each polling place for**
36 **early voting may be extended at the discretion of the city clerk after the schedule**
37 **is published pursuant to this section.**

38 **Sec. 103.** NRS 293C.3585 is hereby amended to read as follows:

39 293C.3585 1. Except as otherwise provided in NRS 293C.272, upon the
40 appearance of a person to cast a ballot for early voting, an election board officer
41 shall:

42 (a) Determine that the person is a registered voter in the county.

43 (b) Instruct the voter to sign the roster for early voting , ~~[or]~~ a signature card ~~[-]~~
44 **or the roster designated for electors who register to vote during the period for**
45 **early voting pursuant to section 79 of this act, as applicable.**

46 (c) Verify the signature of the voter in the manner set forth in NRS 293C.270.

47 (d) Verify that the voter has not already voted in the current election .
48 ~~[pursuant to this section.]~~

49 2. If the signature does not match, the voter must be identified by:

50 (a) Answering questions from the election board officer covering the personal
51 data which is reported on the application to register to vote;

52 (b) Providing the election board officer, orally or in writing, with other
53 personal data which verifies the identity of the voter; or

1 (c) Providing the election board officer with proof of identification as
2 described in NRS 293C.270 other than the card issued to the voter at the time he or
3 she registered to vote or was deemed to be registered to vote.

4 3. If the signature of the voter has changed in comparison to the signature on
5 the application to register to vote, the voter must update his or her signature on a
6 form prescribed by the Secretary of State.

7 4. The city clerk shall prescribe a procedure, approved by the Secretary of
8 State, to verify that the voter has not already voted in that city in the current
9 election. ~~{pursuant to this section-}~~

10 5. The roster for early voting or signature card, as applicable, must contain:

11 (a) The voter's name, the address where he or she is registered to vote, his or
12 her voter identification number and a place for the voter's signature;

13 (b) The voter's precinct or voting district number, if that information is
14 available; and

15 (c) The date of voting early in person.

16 6. When a voter is entitled to cast a ballot and has identified himself or herself
17 to the satisfaction of the election board officer, the voter is entitled to receive the
18 appropriate ballot or ballots, but only for his or her own use at the polling place for
19 early voting.

20 7. If the ballot is voted on a mechanical recording device which directly
21 records the votes electronically, the election board officer shall:

22 (a) Prepare the mechanical recording device for the voter;

23 (b) Ensure that the voter's precinct or voting district, if that information is
24 available, and the form of ballot are indicated on the voting receipt, if the city clerk
25 uses voting receipts; and

26 (c) Allow the voter to cast a vote.

27 8. A voter applying to vote early by personal appearance may be challenged
28 pursuant to NRS 293C.292.

29 **Sec. 104.** NRS 293C.3604 is hereby amended to read as follows:

30 293C.3604 If ballots which are voted on a mechanical recording device which
31 directly records the votes electronically are used during the period for early voting
32 by personal appearance : ~~{in an election other than a presidential preference~~
33 ~~primary election-}~~

34 1. At the close of each voting day, the election board shall:

35 (a) Prepare and sign a statement for the polling place. The statement must
36 include:

37 (1) The title of the election;

38 (2) The number which identifies the mechanical recording device and the
39 storage device required pursuant to NRS 293B.084;

40 (3) The number of ballots voted on the mechanical recording device for
41 that day;

42 (4) The number of signatures in the roster for early voting for that day;
43 ~~{and}~~

44 (5) The number of signatures on signature cards for that day ~~{-}~~; and

45 (6) *The number of signatures in the roster designated for electors who*
46 *registered to vote during the period for early voting pursuant to section 79 of this*
47 *act.*

48 (b) Secure:

49 (1) The ballots pursuant to the plan for security required by NRS
50 293C.3594; and

51 (2) Each mechanical voting device in the manner prescribed by the
52 Secretary of State pursuant to NRS 293C.3594.

2. At the close of the last voting day, the city clerk shall deliver to the ballot board for early voting:

- (a) The statements for all polling places for early voting;
- (b) The voting rosters used for early voting;
- (c) The signature cards used for early voting;
- (d) The storage device required pursuant to NRS 293B.084 from each mechanical recording device used during the period for early voting; and
- (e) Any other items as determined by the city clerk.

3. Upon receipt of the items set forth in subsection 2 at the close of the last voting day, the ballot board for early voting shall:

- (a) Indicate the number of ballots on an official statement of ballots; and
- (b) Place the storage devices in the container provided to transport those items to the central counting place and seal the container with a number seal. The official statement of ballots must accompany the storage devices to the central counting place.

Sec. 105. NRS 293C.527 is hereby amended to read as follows:

293C.527 1. Except as otherwise provided in NRS 293.502, 293D.230 and 293D.300:

(a) For a primary city election or general city election, or a recall or special election that is held on the same day as a primary city election or general city election, the last day to register to vote:

(1) By mail is the fourth Tuesday preceding the primary city election or general city election.

(2) By appearing in person at the office of the city clerk or, if open, a municipal facility designated pursuant to NRS 293C.520, is the third Tuesday preceding the primary city election or general city election.

(3) By computer, if the county clerk of the county in which the city is located has established a system pursuant to NRS 293.506 for using a computer to register voters and:

(I) The governing body of the city has provided for early voting by personal appearance pursuant to paragraph (b) of subsection 2 of NRS 293C.110, is the Thursday preceding the first day of the period for early voting.

(II) The governing body of the city has not provided for early voting by personal appearance pursuant to paragraph (b) of subsection 2 of NRS 293C.110, is the third Tuesday preceding any primary city election or general city election.

(4) By computer using the system established by the Secretary of State pursuant to section 11 of this act, is the last day of the period for early voting.

(b) If a recall or special election is not held on the same day as a primary city election or general city election, the last day to register to vote for the recall or special election by any means is the third Saturday preceding the recall or special election.

2. Except as otherwise provided in sections 9 and 80 of this act, after the deadline for the close of registration for a primary city election or general city election set forth in subsection 1, no person may register to vote for the election.

3. For a primary city election or special city election, the office of the city clerk must be open until 7 p.m. during the last 2 days on which a person may register to vote in person ~~§~~ *pursuant to subparagraph (2) of paragraph (a) of subsection 1.* In a city whose population is less than 25,000, the office of the city clerk may close at 5 p.m. if approved by the governing body of the city.

~~§~~ *4. For a general city election:*

(a) In a city whose population is less than 25,000, the office of the city clerk must be open until 7 p.m. during the last 2 days on which a person may register to

1 vote in person ~~§~~ *pursuant to subparagraph (2) of paragraph (a) of subsection 1.*
2 The office of the city clerk may close at 5 p.m. if approved by the governing body
3 of the city.

4 (b) In a city whose population is 25,000 or more, the office of the city clerk
5 must be open during the last 4 days on which a person may register to vote in
6 person ~~§~~ *pursuant to subparagraph (2) of paragraph (a) of subsection 1,*
7 according to the following schedule:

8 (1) On weekdays until 9 p.m.; and

9 (2) A minimum of 8 hours on Saturdays, Sundays and legal holidays.

10 ~~§~~ **5.** Except for a special election held pursuant to chapter 306 or 350 of
11 NRS:

12 (a) The city clerk of each city shall cause a notice signed by him or her to be
13 published in a newspaper having a general circulation in the city indicating:

14 (1) The day and time that registration will be closed; and

15 (2) If the city clerk has designated a municipal facility pursuant to NRS
16 293C.520, the location of that facility.

17 ~~✓~~ If no newspaper is of general circulation in that city, the publication may be
18 made in a newspaper of general circulation in the nearest city in this State.

19 (b) The notice must be published once each week for 4 consecutive weeks next
20 preceding the close of registration for any election.

21 ~~§~~ **6.** A municipal facility designated pursuant to NRS 293C.520 may be
22 open during the periods described in this section for such hours of operation as the
23 city clerk may determine, as set forth in subsection 3 of NRS 293C.520.

24 **Sec. 106.** NRS 293C.527 is hereby amended to read as follows:

25 293C.527 1. Except as otherwise provided in NRS 293.502, 293D.230 and
26 293D.300:

27 (a) For a primary city election or general city election, or a recall or special
28 election that is held on the same day as a primary city election or general city
29 election, the last day to register to vote:

30 (1) By mail is the fourth Tuesday preceding the primary city election or
31 general city election.

32 (2) By appearing in person at the office of the city clerk or, if open, a
33 municipal facility designated pursuant to NRS 293C.520, is the third Tuesday
34 preceding the primary city election or general city election.

35 (3) By computer, if the county clerk of the county in which the city is
36 located has established a system pursuant to NRS 293.506 for using a computer to
37 register voters and:

38 (I) The governing body of the city has provided for early voting by
39 personal appearance pursuant to paragraph (b) of subsection 2 of NRS 293C.110, is
40 the Thursday preceding the first day of the period for early voting.

41 (II) The governing body of the city has not provided for early voting
42 by personal appearance pursuant to paragraph (b) of subsection 2 of NRS
43 293C.110, is the third Tuesday preceding any primary city election or general city
44 election.

45 (4) By computer using the system established by the Secretary of State
46 pursuant to section 11 of this act, is the last day of the period for early voting.

47 (b) If a recall or special election is not held on the same day as a primary city
48 election or general city election, the last day to register to vote for the recall or
49 special election by any means is the third Saturday preceding the recall or special
50 election.

51 2. Except as otherwise provided in sections 8, 9, 79 and 80 of this act, after
52 the deadline for the close of registration for a primary city election or general city
53 election set forth in subsection 1, no person may register to vote for the election.

3. For a primary city election or special city election, the office of the city clerk must be open until 7 p.m. during the last 2 days on which a person may register to vote in person pursuant to subparagraph (2) of paragraph (a) of subsection 1. In a city whose population is less than 25,000, the office of the city clerk may close at 5 p.m. if approved by the governing body of the city.

4. For a general city election:

(a) In a city whose population is less than 25,000, the office of the city clerk must be open until 7 p.m. during the last 2 days on which a person may register to vote in person pursuant to subparagraph (2) of paragraph (a) of subsection 1. The office of the city clerk may close at 5 p.m. if approved by the governing body of the city.

(b) In a city whose population is 25,000 or more, the office of the city clerk must be open during the last 4 days on which a person may register to vote in person pursuant to subparagraph (2) of paragraph (a) of subsection 1, according to the following schedule:

(1) On weekdays until 9 p.m.; and

(2) A minimum of 8 hours on Saturdays, Sundays and legal holidays.

5. Except for a special election held pursuant to chapter 306 or 350 of NRS:

(a) The city clerk of each city shall cause a notice signed by him or her to be published in a newspaper having a general circulation in the city indicating:

(1) The day and time that registration will be closed; and

(2) If the city clerk has designated a municipal facility pursuant to NRS 293C.520, the location of that facility.

➤ If no newspaper is of general circulation in that city, the publication may be made in a newspaper of general circulation in the nearest city in this State.

(b) The notice must be published once each week for 4 consecutive weeks next preceding the close of registration for any election.

6. A municipal facility designated pursuant to NRS 293C.520 may be open during the periods described in this section for such hours of operation as the city clerk may determine, as set forth in subsection 3 of NRS 293C.520.

Sec. 107. NRS 293C.530 is hereby amended to read as follows:

293C.530 1. A city clerk may establish a system for distributing sample ballots by electronic means to each registered voter who elects to receive a sample ballot by electronic means. Such a system may include, without limitation, electronic mail or electronic access through an Internet website. If a city clerk establishes such a system and a registered voter elects to receive a sample ballot by electronic means, the city clerk shall distribute the sample ballot to the registered voter by electronic means pursuant to the procedures and requirements set forth by regulations adopted by the Secretary of State.

2. If a registered voter does not elect to receive a sample ballot by electronic means pursuant to subsection 1, the city clerk shall distribute the sample ballot to the registered voter by mail.

3. Except as otherwise provided in subsection 4, before the period for early voting for any election begins, the city clerk shall distribute to each registered voter in the city by mail or electronic means, as applicable, the sample ballot for his or her precinct, with a notice informing the voter of the location of his or her polling place **or places**. If the location of the polling place **or places** 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 distributing the sample ballots; or

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

1 NOTICE: THE LOCATION OF YOUR POLLING PLACE **OR PLACES** HAS
2 CHANGED SINCE THE LAST ELECTION
3

4 4. If a person registers to vote less than 20 days before the date of an election,
5 the city clerk is not required to distribute to the person the sample ballot for that
6 election by mail or electronic means.

7 5. Except as otherwise provided in subsection 7, a sample ballot required to
8 be distributed pursuant to this section must:

9 (a) Be prepared in at least 12-point type;

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

13 (c) Include on the front page, in a separate box created by bold lines, a notice
14 prepared in at least 20-point bold type that states:
15

16 NOTICE: TO RECEIVE A SAMPLE BALLOT IN
17 LARGE TYPE, CALL (Insert appropriate telephone number)
18

19 6. The word "Incumbent" must appear on the sample ballot next to the name
20 of the candidate who is the incumbent, if required pursuant to NRS 293.2565.

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

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

27 9. If a person requests a sample ballot in large type, the city clerk shall ensure
28 that all future sample ballots distributed to that person from the city are in large
29 type.

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

39 (a) The addresses of such centralized voting locations;

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

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

45 11. The cost of distributing sample ballots for a city election must be borne by
46 the city holding the election.

47 **Sec. 108.** NRS 293C.535 is hereby amended to read as follows:

48 293C.535 1. Except as otherwise provided by special charter, registration of
49 electors in incorporated cities must be accomplished in the manner provided in this
50 chapter.

51 2. The county clerk shall use the statewide voter registration list to prepare for
52 the city clerk of each incorporated city within the county the roster of all electors
53 eligible to vote at a regular or special city election.

3. The ~~rosters~~ county clerk shall prepare for each polling place a roster designated for electors who register to vote on the day of the city election pursuant to section 80 of this act.

4. Except at otherwise provided in section 73 of this act, the roster required pursuant to subsection 2 must be prepared, one for each ward or other voting district within each incorporated city. The entries in the roster must be arranged alphabetically with the surnames first.

~~4.1~~ 5. The county clerk shall keep duplicate originals or copies of the applications to register to vote in the county clerk's office.

Sec. 109. NRS 293C.535 is hereby amended to read as follows:

293C.535 1. Except as otherwise provided by special charter, registration of electors in incorporated cities must be accomplished in the manner provided in this chapter.

2. The county clerk shall use the statewide voter registration list to prepare for the city clerk of each incorporated city within the county the roster of all electors eligible to vote at a regular or special city election.

3. The county clerk shall prepare for each polling place ~~4.1~~ :

(a) A roster designated for electors who register to vote during the period for early voting pursuant to section 79 of this act; and

(b) A roster designated for electors who register to vote on the day of the city election pursuant to section 80 of this act.

4. Except at otherwise provided in section 73 of this act, the roster required pursuant to subsection 2 must be prepared, one for each ward or other voting district within each incorporated city. The entries in the roster must be arranged alphabetically with the surnames first.

5. The county clerk shall keep duplicate originals or copies of the applications to register to vote in the county clerk's office.

Sec. 110. NRS 293C.715 is hereby amended to read as follows:

293C.715 1. If a city clerk maintains a website on the Internet for information relating to elections, the website must contain public information maintained, collected or compiled by the city clerk that relates to elections, which must include, without limitation:

(a) The locations of polling places ~~or places~~ for casting a ballot on election day in such a form that a registered voter may search the list to determine the location of the polling place ~~or places~~ at which the registered voter is ~~required~~ entitled to cast a ballot; ~~and~~

(b) The abstract of votes required to be posted on a website pursuant to the provisions of NRS 293C.387.

2. The abstract of votes required to be maintained on the website pursuant to paragraph (b) of subsection 1 must be maintained in such a format as to permit the searching of the abstract of votes for specific information.

3. If the information required to be maintained by a city clerk pursuant to subsection 1 may be obtained by the public from a website on the Internet maintained by the Secretary of State, a county clerk or another city clerk, the city clerk may provide a hyperlink to that website to comply with the provisions of subsection 1 with regard to that information.

Sec. 111. NRS 293C.720 is hereby amended to read as follows:

293C.720 Each city clerk is encouraged to:

1. Not later than the earlier date of the first notice provided pursuant to subsection ~~4.1~~ 5 of NRS 293.560 or NRS 293C.187, notify the public, through means designed to reach members of the public who are elderly or disabled, of the provisions of NRS 293C.281, 293C.282, 293C.310, 293C.317 and 293C.318.

2. Provide in alternative audio and visual formats information concerning elections, information concerning how to preregister or register to vote and information concerning the manner of voting for use by a person who is elderly or disabled, including, without limitation, providing such information through a telecommunications device that is accessible to a person who is deaf.

3. Not later than 5 working days after receiving the request of a person who is elderly or disabled, provide to the person, in a format that can be used by the person, any requested material that is:

(a) Related to elections; and

(b) Made available by the city clerk to the public in printed form.

Sec. 112. NRS 295.045 is hereby amended to read as follows:

295.045 1. A petition for referendum must be filed with the Secretary of State not less than 120 days before the date of the next succeeding general election.

2. The Secretary of State shall certify the questions to the county clerks. ~~and they shall publish them in accordance with the provisions of law requiring county clerks to publish statewide measures pursuant to NRS 293.253.~~

3. The title of the statute or resolution must be set out on the ballot, and the question printed upon the ballot for the information of the voters must be as follows: "Shall the statute (setting out its title) be approved?"

4. Where a mechanical voting system is used, the title of the statute must appear on the list of offices and candidates and the statements of measures to be voted on and may be condensed to no more than 25 words.

5. The votes cast upon the question must be counted and canvassed as the votes for state officers are counted and canvassed.

Sec. 113. NRS 225.083 is hereby amended to read as follows:

225.083 1. ~~The~~ *Except as otherwise provided in section 11 of this act, the* Secretary of State shall prominently post the following notice at each office and each location on his or her Internet website at which documents are accepted for filing:

The Secretary of State is not responsible for the content, completeness or accuracy of any document filed in this office. Customers should periodically review the documents on file in this office to ensure that the documents pertaining to them are complete and accurate.

Pursuant to NRS 239.330, any person who knowingly offers any false or forged instrument for filing in this office is guilty of a category C felony and shall be punished by imprisonment in the state prison for a minimum term of not less than 1 year and a maximum term of not more than 5 years and may be further punished by a fine of not more than \$10,000. Additionally, any person who knowingly offers any false or forged instrument for filing in this office may also be subject to civil liability.

Pursuant to NRS 205.397, any person who presents for filing in this office a lien against the real or personal property of a public officer, candidate for public office, public employee or participant in an official proceeding, or a member of the immediate family of a public officer, candidate for public office, public employee or participant, which is based on the performance of or failure to perform a duty relating to the office, employment or participation by the public officer, candidate for public office, public employee or participant if the person knows or has reason to know that the lien is forged or fraudulently altered, contains a false statement of material fact or is being filed in bad faith or for the purpose of harassing or

defrauding any person is guilty of a category B felony and shall be punished by imprisonment in the state prison for a minimum term of not less than 2 years and a maximum term of not more than 20 years and may be further punished by a fine of not more than \$150,000. The person may also be subject to civil liability.

2. The Secretary of State may adopt regulations prescribing procedures to prevent the filing in his or her office of:

(a) False, fraudulent, fraudulently altered or forged documents.

(b) Documents that contain a false statement of material fact.

(c) Documents that are filed in bad faith or for the purpose of harassing or defrauding a person.

Sec. 114. NRS 239.330 is hereby amended to read as follows:

239.330 ~~1A1~~

1. *Except as otherwise provided in subsection 2, a* person who knowingly procures or offers any false or forged instrument to be filed, registered or recorded in any public office, which instrument, if genuine, might be filed, registered or recorded in a public office under any law of this State or of the United States, is guilty of a category C felony and shall be punished as provided in NRS 193.130.

2. *The provisions of subsection 1 do not apply to a person who is punishable pursuant to NRS 293.800.*

Sec. 115. NRS 349.017 is hereby amended to read as follows:

349.017 1. If the bond question is submitted at a general election, no notice of registration of electors is required other than that required by the laws for a general election.

2. If the bond question is submitted at a special election, the clerk of each county shall cause to be published, at least once a week for 2 consecutive weeks by two weekly insertions a week apart, the first publication to be not more than 50 days nor less than 42 days next preceding the election, in a newspaper published within the county, if any is so published, and having a general circulation therein, a notice signed by him or her to the effect that registration for the special election will be closed on a date and time designated therein, as provided in this section.

3. Except as otherwise provided in subsection 4, the office of the county clerk in each county of this State must be open for such a special election, from 9 a.m. to 12 m. and 1 p.m. to 5 p.m. on Mondays through Fridays, with Saturdays, Sundays and legal holidays excepted, for the registration of any qualified elector.

4. The office of the county clerk must be open during the last days of registration as provided in subsection ~~2A~~ 3 of NRS 293.560.

5. The office of the county clerk must be open for registration of voters for such a special election up to but excluding the 30th day next preceding that election and during regular office hours.

Sec. 116. The provisions of NRS 354.599 do not apply to any additional expenses of a local government that are related to the provisions of this act.

Sec. 117. 1. This section and sections 1 to 6, inclusive, 9, 11 to 14, inclusive, 16, 17, 19 to 27, inclusive, 29, 30, 32 to 50, inclusive, 52.6, 53 to 59, inclusive, 61 to 64, inclusive, 66, 68 to 77, inclusive, 80, 83, 85 to 99, inclusive, 101, 102, 105, 107, 108 and 110 to 116, inclusive of this act become effective:

(a) Upon passage and approval for the purpose of adopting any regulations and performing any other preparatory administrative tasks necessary to carry out the provisions of this act; and

(b) On January 1, 2020, for all other purposes.

2. Sections 7, 8, 10, 15, 18, 28, 31, 51, 52, 60, 65, 67, 78, 79, 81, 82, 84, 100, 103, 104, 106 and 109 of this act become effective:

1 (a) Upon passage and approval for the purpose of adopting any regulations and
2 performing any other preparatory administrative tasks necessary to carry out the
3 provisions of this act; and

4 (b) On January 1, 2022, for all other purposes.