SENATE BILL NO. 335–SENATORS SETTELMEYER, GOICOECHEA, SEEVERS GANSERT, PICKARD, HANSEN; HAMMOND, HARDY AND KIECKHEFER

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Referred to Committee on Legislative Operations and Elections

SUMMARY—Revises provisions relating to elections. (BDR 24-161)

FISCAL NOTE: Effect on Local Government: No.

Effect on the State: No.

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

AN ACT relating to elections; requiring a county clerk and city clerk to use certain criteria in determining polling places for early voting; requiring that the number of polling places for early voting in a county or city with multiple assembly districts be equally divided among those districts; and providing other matters properly relating thereto.

Legislative Counsel's Digest:

Existing law requires each county clerk and city clerk to provide criteria to be used to select permanent and temporary polling places for early voting by personal appearance. (NRS 293.3561, 293C.3561) This bill requires the criteria to ensure that, to the extent possible: (1) such polling places are located near residential areas; and (2) a permanent or temporary polling place is located in every geographic region of the county or city, as applicable. This bill also requires the number of permanent or temporary polling places for early voting by personal appearance in a county or city with multiple assembly districts to be equally divided among those assembly districts.

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

Section 1. NRS 293.3561 is hereby amended to read as follows:

293.3561 1. The permanent and temporary polling places for early voting by personal appearance must satisfy the criteria to be



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used to select permanent and temporary polling places for early voting by personal appearance provided by the county clerk pursuant to subsection 2.

2. The county clerk shall:

- (a) Provide by rule or regulation for the criteria to be used to select permanent and temporary polling places for early voting by personal appearance. [; and] The criteria used to select permanent and temporary polling places for early voting by personal appearance must, without limitation:
- (1) Ensure that permanent and temporary polling places are located near residential areas of the county, to the extent possible.
- (2) Ensure that a permanent or temporary polling place is located in every geographic area of the county, to the extent possible.
- (b) At a meeting of the board of county commissioners, inform the board of the sites selected as permanent and temporary polling places for early voting by personal appearance.
- 3. The number of permanent and temporary polling places for early voting by personal appearance in a county with multiple assembly districts must be divided equally among the assembly districts.
- **Sec. 2.** NRS 293C.3561 is hereby amended to read as follows: 293C.3561 1. The permanent and temporary polling places for early voting by personal appearance must satisfy the criteria to be used to select permanent and temporary polling places for early voting by personal appearance provided by the city clerk pursuant to subsection 2.
 - 2. The city clerk shall:
- (a) Provide by rule or regulation for the criteria to be used to select permanent and temporary polling places for early voting by personal appearance. [; and] The criteria used to select permanent and temporary polling places for early voting by personal appearance must, without limitation:
- (1) Ensure that permanent and temporary polling places are located near residential areas of the city, to the extent possible.
- (2) Ensure that a permanent or temporary polling place is located in every geographic area of the city, to the extent possible.
- (b) At a meeting of the city council or other governing body of the city, inform the city council or other governing body of the sites selected as permanent and temporary polling places for early voting by personal appearance.
- 3. The number of permanent and temporary polling places for early voting by personal appearance in a city with multiple





1 assembly districts must be divided equally among the assembly 2 districts.





