## ASSEMBLY BILL NO. 83-ASSEMBLYMAN YEAGER

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## Referred to Committee on Government Affairs

SUMMARY—Revises the date of the legal holiday for the observance of Nevada Day. (BDR 19-70)

FISCAL NOTE: Effect on Local Government: No.

Effect on the State: No.

EXPLANATION - Matter in bolded italics is new; matter between brackets fomitted material] is material to be omitted.

AN ACT relating to holidays; revising the date of the legal holiday for the observance of Nevada Day; and providing other matters properly relating thereto.

**Legislative Counsel's Digest:** 

Under existing law, Nevada Day is October 31, but the legal holiday is observed on the last Friday in October. (NRS 236.015) **Section 1** of this bill provides, instead, that the legal holiday of Nevada Day is October 31. Under **section 1**: (1) if October 31 falls on a Sunday, the legal holiday is observed on the following Monday; or (2) if October 31 falls on a Saturday, the legal holiday is observed on the Friday preceding. **Section 2** of this bill makes conforming changes relating to certain offices that may remain open on the day that Nevada Day is observed.

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

**Section 1.** NRS 236.015 is hereby amended to read as follows: 236.015 1. The following days are declared to be legal holidays for state, county and city governmental offices:

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January 1 (New Year's Day)

Martin Luther King, Jr.'s birthday is on January 15 but is to be observed on the third Monday in January

Washington's birthday is on February 22 but is to be observed on the third Monday in February

Last Monday in May (Memorial Day)





July 4 (Independence Day)
First Monday in September (Labor Day)
[Nevada Day is] October 31 [but is to be

[Nevada Day is] October 31 [but is to be observed on the last Friday in October] (Nevada Day)

November 11 (Veterans Day)

Fourth Thursday in November (Thanksgiving Day)

Friday following the fourth Thursday in November (Family Day)

December 25 (Christmas Day)

Any day that may be appointed by the President of the United States for public fast, thanksgiving or as a legal holiday except for any Presidential appointment of the fourth Monday in October as Veterans Day.

- 2. Except as otherwise provided by NRS 293.560 and 293C.527, all state, county and city offices, courts, public schools and the Nevada System of Higher Education must close on the legal holidays enumerated in subsection 1 unless in the case of appointed holidays all or a part thereof are specifically exempted.
- 3. If January 1, July 4, *October 31*, November 11 or December 25 falls upon a:
- (a) Sunday, the Monday following must be observed as a legal holiday.
- (b) Saturday, the Friday preceding must be observed as a legal holiday.
  - **Sec. 2.** NRS 293.560 is hereby amended to read as follows:
- 293.560 1. Except as otherwise provided in NRS 293.502, 293.5772 to 293.5887, inclusive, 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 fourth 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 primary or general election, unless the system is used to register voters for the election pursuant to NRS 293.5842 or 293.5847.
- (4) By computer using the system established by the Secretary of State pursuant to NRS 293.671, is the Thursday preceding the primary or general election, unless the system is used





to register voters for the election pursuant to NRS 293.5842 or 293.5847.

- (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 method of registration is the third Saturday preceding the recall or special election.
- 2. Except as otherwise provided in NRS 293.5772 to 293.5887, inclusive, 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. Except for a recall or 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 each method of registration for the election, as set forth in subsection 1, 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 day that the last method of registration for the election, as set forth in subsection 1, will be closed.
- 4. [The] In each even-numbered year, 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.] 31 or, when Nevada Day falls on a Saturday or Sunday, the day that Nevada Day is observed as a legal holiday pursuant to NRS 236.015.
- 5. 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.





