SENATE BILL NO. 43–SENATOR DALY

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Referred to Committee on Legislative Operations and Elections

SUMMARY—Revises provisions relating to the elections procedures manual. (BDR 24-76)

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

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

AN ACT relating to elections; revising the timeline for the Secretary of State to submit an elections procedures manual to the Legislative Commission for approval; prohibiting the Secretary of State from making any change to the elections procedures manual without the approval of the Legislative Commission; and providing other matters properly relating thereto.

Legislative Counsel's Digest:

Existing law requires that, at least once every 2 years, the Secretary of State prepare, maintain and publish an elections procedures manual that includes guidance and standards for administering an election that are consistent with the provisions of the Nevada Revised Statutes and the Nevada Administrative Code. Existing law further: (1) requires the Secretary of State to submit the elections procedures manual to the Legislative Commission for approval not less frequently than every 4 years; and (2) authorizes the Secretary of State to make any change to the elections procedures manual that is not substantively related to administering an election without the approval of the Legislative Commission. (NRS 293.2502) **Section 1** of this bill instead: (1) requires, at least once every 2 years, the Secretary of State to prepare and submit for approval to the Legislative Commission an elections procedures manual; and (2) prohibits the Secretary of State from making any change to the elections procedures manual without the approval of the Legislative Commission. **Section 1** further requires the Secretary of State to publish the most current version of the elections procedures manual that has been approved by the Legislative Commission.

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

Section 1. NRS 293.2502 is hereby amended to read as follows:

293.2502 1. At least once every 2 years, the Secretary of State shall prepare ~~[, maintain and publish]~~ ***and submit for approval to the Legislative Commission*** an elections procedures manual to ensure correctness, impartiality, uniformity and efficiency in the elections procedures of this State. ***The Secretary of State shall publish the most current version of the elections procedures manual that has been approved by the Legislative Commission.***

2. Each county clerk and city clerk is required to comply with the procedures set forth in the most current version of the elections procedures manual ~~[.~~

~~2.]~~ ***that has been approved by the Legislative Commission.***

3. The elections procedures manual required pursuant to subsection 1 must include, without limitation, guidance and standards for administering an election that are consistent with the provisions of this title and any regulations adopted by the Secretary of State pursuant thereto.

~~[3. The most recent version of the elections procedures manual prepared pursuant to subsection 1 must be submitted by the Secretary of State to the Legislative Commission for approval not less frequently than every 4 years.]~~

4. The Secretary of State ~~[may]~~ ***shall not*** make any change to the elections procedures manual ~~[that is not substantively related to administering an election]~~ without the approval of the Legislative Commission.

~~[4.]~~ ***5.*** Nothing in this section authorizes the Secretary of State to include any provision in the elections procedures manual that amends or conflicts with any provision of state or federal law or regulations.