ASSEMBLY BILL NO. 104-ASSEMBLYWOMAN SPIEGEL

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SUMMARY—Makes various changes relating to elections. (BDR 24-184)

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

CONTAINS UNFUNDED MANDATE (§§ 2, 10, 11, 35, 50, 72, 81, 82, 93, 99) (NOT REQUESTED BY AFFECTED LOCAL GOVERNMENT)

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

AN ACT relating to elections; establishing procedures by which a registration agency must. under circumstances, transmit information to preregister or register a person to vote or update a person's voter registration information; requiring the Secretary of State to establish a system to allow a person, by computer, to preregister or register to vote, update preregistration or registration information, cancel his or her preregistration or registration and obtain certain information about polling places; providing for voter preregistration by certain persons who are at least 16 years of age but less than 18 years of age; 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 a provisional ballot to include all offices, candidates and measures upon which the person casting the provisional ballot is entitled to vote; requiring that provisional ballots be included in the unofficial election results that are reported on election night; making various other changes to provisions relating to provisional ballots; providing penalties; and providing other matters properly relating thereto.





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 Section 9 of this bill authorizes certain persons who are at least 16 years of age but less than 18 years of age to preregister to vote in this State. Sections 14, 17, 18, 20, 23-25, 36, 38, 41-45, 47-61, 63-69, 73, 74, 77-79, 87-89, 94, 96, 97 and 102-107 of this bill make conforming changes.

Existing law designates the offices of certain governmental entities, including the Department of Motor Vehicles, as voter registration agencies which are required to: (1) offer applications to register to vote to persons who apply for or receive certain services from the agency; (2) assist applicants in completing the applications; and (3) forward the applications to the county clerks. (NRS 293.504) Sections 2-7 and 108-113 of this bill establish procedures by which a person who applies for or receives services from a voter registration agency and who meets the qualifications to vote or preregister to vote in this State will have his or her information electronically sent to the Secretary of State and county clerks for the purpose of preregistering or registering the person to vote or updating his or her voter registration information, unless the person affirmatively declines to have his or her information transmitted. The procedures must be implemented by the Department of Motor Vehicles effective January 1, 2018, and by all other voter registration agencies effective January 1, 2019. Sections 14, 15, 20, 36, 45, 46, 55, 56, 61, 62, 64, 71 and 105-107 make conforming changes.

Existing law authorizes a county clerk, with the approval of the board of county commissioners, to establish a system for using a computer to register voters. (NRS 293.506) **Section 8** of this bill requires the Secretary of State to establish a system to allow a person, by computer, to: (1) preregister or register to vote; (2) cancel his or her voter preregistration or registration; (3) update his or her voter preregistration information; and (4) determine at what polling place or places he or she is entitled to vote. **Section 8** also requires this system to be accessible to people with disabilities and available in languages other than English. **Sections 13**, 16, 18, 20, 27, 39, 50, 54, 55, 59, 60, 68, 70, 71, 85 and 98 of this bill make conforming changes.

Under existing law, voter registration for any primary, primary city, general or general city election closes on the third Tuesday before the election. (NRS 293.560, 293C.527) Sections 10, 11, 81 and 82 of this bill authorize an elector to register to vote for a primary, primary city, general or general city election: (1) during the period for early voting by personal appearance; and (2) on the day of the election. Under sections 10, 11, 81 and 82, the county or city clerk shall designate one or more polling places in the county or city as a site for registering to vote during early voting and on election day. To register to vote, an elector must appear at such a site, complete an application to register to vote and provide proof of identity and residence. Upon completion of the application, 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. Sections 12, 14, 15, 19-23, 28, 35-37, 40, 55, 71, 72, 75, 76, 83, 84, 86, 87, 91-95 and 98-100 of this bill make conforming changes.

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 at the election in the jurisdiction but his or her name does not appear on the election register; (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 certain 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 29-31** of this bill require provisional ballots to include all offices, candidates and ballot questions on which





the person who is casting the provisional ballot is entitled to vote. Section 32 of this bill requires provisional ballots to be included in the unofficial results of the election that are reported on election night. Section 33 of this bill provides that if the number of provisional ballots may affect the outcome of any race or ballot question, the county or city clerk must not include a provisional ballot in the canvass of the election unless the clerk makes certain determinations. Sections 33 and 34 of this bill make conforming changes.

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 11, inclusive, of this act.

Sec. 2. 1. The Secretary of State, the Department of Motor Vehicles and each county clerk shall cooperatively establish a system by which voter registration information that is collected pursuant to section 4 of this act by the Department from a person who submits an application for the issuance or renewal of or change of address for any type of driver's license or identification card issued by the Department must be transmitted electronically to the Secretary of State and the county clerks for the purpose of preregistering or registering the person to vote or updating the preregistration information or voter registration information of the person.

- 2. The system established pursuant to subsection 1 must:
- (a) Ensure the secure electronic storage of information collected pursuant to section 4 of this act, the secure transmission of such information to the Secretary of State and county clerks and the secure electronic storage of such information by the Secretary of State and county clerks;
- (b) Provide for the destruction of records by the Department as required by subsection 2 of section 5 of this act; and
- (c) Enable the county clerks to receive, view and collate the information into individual electronic documents pursuant to paragraph (c) of subsection 1 of section 6 of this act.
- Sec. 3. 1. The Department of Motor Vehicles shall follow the procedures described in this section and sections 4 and 5 of this act if a person applies to the Department for the issuance or renewal of or change of address for any type of driver's license or identification card issued by the Department.
- 2. Before concluding the person's transaction with the Department, the Department shall notify each person described in subsection 1:





(a) Of the qualifications to preregister to vote, as provided in section 9 of this act, or the qualifications to vote in this State, as provided in NRS 293.485;

(b) That, unless the person affirmatively declines in writing to apply to preregister or register to vote or have his or her voter

registration information updated, as applicable:

(1) The person is deemed to have consented to the transmission of information to the Secretary of State and the county clerks for the purpose of preregistering or registering the person to vote or updating the voter registration information of the person; and

- (2) The Department will transmit to the county clerk of the county in which the person resides all information required to preregister or register the person to vote pursuant to this chapter or to update the voter registration information of the person;
 - (c) That:

(1) Indicating a political party affiliation or indicating that the person is not affiliated with a political party is voluntary;

(2) The person may indicate a political party affiliation on

a paper or electronic form provided by the Department; and

(3) The person will not be able to vote at a primary election or primary city election for candidates for partisan office of a major political party unless the person updates his or her voter registration information to indicate a major political party affiliation; and

- (d) Of the provisions of subsections 2 and 3 of section 7 of this act.
- 3. The failure or refusal of the person to acknowledge that he or she has received the notice required by subsection 2:
- (a) Is not a declination by the person to apply to preregister or register to vote or have his or her voter registration information updated; and
- (b) Shall not be deemed to affect any duty of the Department, the Secretary of State or any county clerk:
- (1) Relating to the application of the person to preregister or register to vote; or
- (2) To update the voter registration information of the person.

4. The Secretary of State:

- (a) Shall prescribe by regulation the form of the notice required by subsection 2 and the procedure for providing such notice; and
- (b) Shall not require the person to acknowledge that he or she has received the notice required by subsection 2.





- Sec. 4. 1. Unless the person affirmatively declines in writing to apply to preregister or register to vote or have his or her voter registration information updated, as applicable, if a person applies to the Department of Motor Vehicles for the issuance or renewal of or change of address for a driver's license or identification card issued by the Department, the Department shall collect from the person:
- (a) A paper or electronic affirmation signed under penalty of perjury that the person is eligible to vote or preregister to vote, as applicable;

(b) An electronic facsimile of the signature of the person, if the Department is capable of recording, storing and transmitting to the county clerk an electronic facsimile of the signature;

(c) Any personal information which the person has not already provided to the Department and which is required for the person to preregister or register to vote or to update the voter registration information of the person, including:

(1) The first or given name and the surname of the person;

- (2) The address at which the person actually resides as set forth in NRS 293.486 and, if different, the address at which the person may receive mail, including, without limitation, a post office box or general delivery;
 - (3) The date of birth of the person;
- (4) Except as otherwise provided in subsection 2, one of the following:
- 26 (I) The number indicated on the person's current and 27 valid driver's license or identification card issued by the 28 Department of Motor Vehicles, if the person has such a driver's 29 license or identification card; or
 - (II) The last four digits of the person's social security number, if the person does not have a driver's license or identification card issued by the Department and has a social security number; and
 - (5) The political affiliation, if any, indicated by the person; and
 - (d) The paper or electronic form, if any, completed by the person and indicating his or her political party affiliation.
 - 2. If the person does not have the identification described in subparagraph (4) of paragraph (c) of subsection 1, the person must sign an affidavit stating that he or she does not have a current and valid driver's license or identification card issued by the Department or a social security number. Upon receipt of the affidavit, the county clerk shall issue an identification number to the person which must be the same number as the unique





identifier assigned to the person for purposes of the statewide voter registration list.

- Sec. 5. 1. Except as otherwise provided in this subsection, the Department of Motor Vehicles shall electronically transmit to the Secretary of State and the appropriate county clerk the information and any electronic documents collected from a person pursuant to section 4 of this act:
- (a) Except as otherwise provided in paragraph (b), not later than 5 working days after collecting the information; and
- (b) During the 2 weeks immediately preceding the fifth Sunday preceding an election, not later than 1 working day after collecting the information.
- 2. The Department shall destroy any record containing information collected pursuant to section 4 of this act that is not otherwise collected by the Department in the normal course of business immediately after transmitting the information to the Secretary of State and county clerk pursuant to subsection 1.
- 3. The Department shall forward the following paper documents on a weekly basis to the appropriate county clerk, or daily during the 2 weeks immediately preceding the fifth Sunday preceding an election:
- (a) Each signed affirmation collected pursuant to paragraph (a) of subsection 1 of section 4 of this act;
- (b) Any completed form indicating a political party affiliation collected pursuant to paragraph (d) of subsection 1 of section 4 of this act; and
- (c) Any affidavit signed pursuant to subsection 2 of section 4 of this act.
- Sec. 6. 1. Unless the person affirmatively declines in writing to apply to preregister or register to vote or have his or her voter registration information updated, as applicable, if a person applies to the Department of Motor Vehicles for the issuance or renewal of or change of address for any type of driver's license or identification card issued by the Department:
- 35 (a) The person shall be deemed an applicant to preregister or 36 register to vote, as applicable.
 - (b) Any action taken by the person pursuant to section 4 of this act shall be deemed an act of applying to preregister or register to vote, as applicable.
 - (c) Upon receipt of the information collected from the person and transmitted to a county clerk by the Department of Motor Vehicles, the county clerk shall collate the information into an individual electronic document, which shall be deemed an application to preregister or register to vote, as applicable.





(d) Unless the applicant is already preregistered or registered to vote, the date on which the person applies to preregister or register to vote pursuant to section 4 of this act shall be deemed the date on which the applicant preregistered or registered to vote, as applicable.

2. If the county clerk determines that an application to register to vote is complete and that the applicant is eligible to vote pursuant to NRS 293.485, the name of the applicant must appear on the statewide voter registration list and the appropriate roster, and the person must be provided all sample ballots and any other voter information provided to registered voters. If the county clerk determines that the application is not complete, he or she shall notify the applicant that additional information is required in accordance with the provisions of NRS 293.524.

3. For each applicant who applies to preregister or register to

vote pursuant to section 4 of this act:

(a) The electronic facsimile of the signature of the applicant shall be deemed to be the facsimile of the signature on the person's application to preregister or register to vote to be used to verify the signature of the voter in the manner set forth in NRS 293.277 if:

(1) An electronic facsimile of the signature has been collected and transmitted to the county clerk of the county in which the applicant resides pursuant to sections 4 and 5 of this act, respectively; and

(2) The county clerk is capable of receiving, storing and

using the facsimile of the signature for that purpose; or

(b) If the conditions described in paragraph (a) are not met, the signature of the applicant on the affirmation signed pursuant to paragraph (a) of subsection 1 of section 4 of this act shall be deemed to be the signature on the person's application to preregister or register to vote for the purpose of making a facsimile thereof to be used to verify the signature of the voter in the manner set forth in NRS 293.277.

4. If an applicant is already preregistered or registered to vote, the county clerk shall use the voter registration information of the applicant transmitted by the Department of Motor Vehicles to update the applicant's preregistration information or to correct the statewide voter registration list pursuant to NRS 293.530, if necessary.

Sec. 7. 1. A person who affirmatively declines in writing to apply to preregister or register to vote or have his or her voter registration information updated, as applicable, pursuant to section 4 of this act may apply to preregister or register to vote at the Department of Motor Vehicles pursuant to NRS 293.524.





- 2. Whether a person applies to preregister or register to vote or have his or her voter registration information updated, as applicable, pursuant to section 4 of this act must not affect the provision of services or assistance to the person by the Department, and the fact of a person applying to preregister or register to vote or have his or her voter registration information updated, as applicable, pursuant to section 4 of this act or declining to do so must not be disclosed to the public.
- 3. Any information collected pursuant to sections 2 to 7, inclusive, of this act must not be used for any purpose other than voter preregistration or registration.
- 4. Except as otherwise provided in this subsection, the Secretary of State shall adopt regulations necessary to carry out the provisions of sections 2 to 7, inclusive, of this act. The Secretary of State shall not require a person to provide any documentation in order to apply to preregister or register to vote or have his or her voter registration information updated, as applicable, pursuant to section 4 of this act that is not required by section 4 of this act or federal law, including, without limitation, documentation to provide the person's identity, citizenship or residence.
- Sec. 8. 1. The Secretary of State shall establish a system to allow persons to:
 - (a) Preregister and register to vote;
 - (b) Cancel his or her preregistration or voter registration;
- (c) Update his or her preregistration or voter registration information, including, without limitation, the person's name, address and party affiliation; and
- (d) Determine at what polling place or places he or she is entitled to vote,
- by computer.

- 2. The Secretary of State shall ensure that the system established pursuant to subsection 1 is:
 - (a) Accessible to persons with disabilities; and
- (b) Available in languages other than English, including, without limitation, every language in which voting materials are required to be prepared in any county in the State pursuant to 52 U.S.C. § 10503.
 - 3. The system established pursuant to subsection 1 must comply with any procedures and requirements prescribed by the Secretary of State pursuant to NRS 293.250 and section 9 of this act.
- 43 4. As used in this section, "voting materials" has the meaning ascribed to it in 52 U.S.C. § 10503.





- Sec. 9. 1. Every citizen of the United States who is at least 16 years of age 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. If a person preregisters to vote, he or she shall be deemed to be a registered voter on his or her 18th birthday unless:
- (a) The person's preregistration has been cancelled as described in subsection 7; or
- (b) Except as otherwise provided in NRS 293D.210, on the person's 18th birthday, he or she does not satisfy the voter eligibility requirements set forth in NRS 293.485.
- 3. 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 after the person is deemed to be registered to vote.
- 4. On the date that a person who preregisters to vote is deemed to be registered to vote, his or her application to preregister to vote is deemed to be his or her application to register to vote.
 - 5. 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) Pursuant to section 4 of this act, he or she shall be deemed to have registered to vote pursuant to section 4 of this act.
- (c) In person, he or she shall be deemed to have registered to vote in person.
- 6. 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. 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. 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. 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. 10. 1. Each county clerk shall designate one or more permanent polling places for early voting by personal appearance in the county as a site for an elector of the county to register to vote.
- An elector who is not registered to vote by the close of registration may register to vote during the period for early voting at any polling place designated pursuant to subsection 1 by the county clerk of the county where the elector resides.
- To register to vote during the period for early voting, an elector must:
- (a) Appear before the close of the polls at a polling place designated by the county clerk pursuant to subsection 1 as a site for registering to vote during the period for early voting;
 - (b) Complete the application to register to vote; and
 - (c) Provide proof of his or her identity and residence as described in subsections 4 and 5.
 - 4. The following forms of identification may be used to identify an elector applying to register to vote pursuant to this section:
 - (a) A driver's license;
- (b) An identification card issued by the Department of Motor 32 Vehicles:
 - (c) A military identification card; or
- (d) Any other form of identification issued by a governmental agency which contains the signature and a physical description or 35 picture of the elector.
 - 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) Any form of identification set forth in subsection 4;
 - (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:



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(d) A paycheck;

- (e) An income tax return;
- 3 (f) A statement concerning the mortgage, rental or lease of a residence;
 - (g) A motor vehicle registration;
 - (h) A property tax statement;
 - (i) Any other document issued by a governmental agency; or
 - (j) Any other official document which the county clerk, field registrar or other person designated by the county clerk to accept applications to register to vote pursuant to this section determines, in his or her discretion, to be a reliable indication of the true residential address of the elector.
 - 6. An elector who registers to vote pursuant to this section shall be deemed to be registered upon the completion of an application to register to vote and the verification of his or her identity and residency.
 - 7. An elector who registers to vote pursuant to this section:
 - (a) May vote during the period for early voting only at the polling place for early voting at which the elector registers to vote; and
 - (b) If the elector applies to vote at the polling place for early voting at which he or she registers to vote, must sign his or her name in the roster provided by the county clerk and designated for electors who register to vote pursuant to this section.
 - Sec. 11. 1. Each county clerk shall:
 - (a) Designate one or more polling places in the county as a site for an elector of the county to register to vote on the day of a primary election or general election.
 - (b) Publish during the week before the election in a newspaper of general circulation a notice of the location of each polling place in the county that has been established pursuant to paragraph (a).
 - (c) Post a list of the locations established pursuant to paragraph (a) on any bulletin board used for posting notice of meetings of the board of county commissioners. 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 county clerk shall make copies of the list available to the public during the period of posting in a reasonable quantity without charge.
 - 2. An elector who is not registered to vote by the close of registration may register to vote on the day of the primary election or general election at any polling place designated pursuant to subsection 1 by the county clerk of the county where the elector resides.





- 3. To register to vote on the day of the primary election or general election, an elector must:
- (a) Appear before the close of the polls at a polling place designated by the county clerk pursuant to subsection 1 as a site for registering to vote on the day of the election;
 - (b) Complete the application to register to vote; and
- (c) Provide proof of his or her identity and residence as described in subsections 4 and 5.
- 4. The following forms of identification may be used to identify an elector applying to register to vote pursuant to this section:
 - (a) A driver's license;

- (b) An identification card issued by the Department of Motor Vehicles;
 - (c) A military identification card; or
- (d) Any other form of identification issued by a governmental agency which contains the signature and a physical description or picture of the elector.
- 5. 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) Any form of identification set forth in subsection 4;
- (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;
- 30 (f) A statement concerning the mortgage, rental or lease of a residence;
 - (g) A motor vehicle registration;
 - (h) A property tax statement;
 - (i) Any other document issued by a governmental agency; or
 - (j) Any other official document which the county clerk, field registrar or other person designated by the county clerk to accept applications to register to vote pursuant to this section determines, in his or her discretion, to be a reliable indication of the true residential address of the elector.
 - 6. An elector who registers to vote pursuant to this section shall be deemed to be registered upon the completion of an application to register to vote and the verification of his or her identity and residency.
 - 7. 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) If the elector applies to vote at the polling place at which he or she registers to vote, except as otherwise provided in NRS 293.283, must sign his or her name in the roster designated for electors who register to vote pursuant to this section.

Sec. 12. NRS 293.095 is hereby amended to read as follows:

293.095 "Roster" means the record in printed or electronic form furnished to election board officers which [contains a list of eligible voters and] is to be used for obtaining the signature of each person applying for a ballot [.] and, except for a roster designated for electors who register to vote pursuant to section 10, 11, 81 or 82 of this act, contains a list of eligible voters.

Sec. 13. NRS 293.1273 is hereby amended to read as follows:

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

Sec. 14. NRS 293.12757 is hereby amended to read as follows:

293.12757 A person may sign a petition required under the election laws of this State on or after the date the person is deemed to be registered to vote pursuant to NRS 293.517 or subsection 7 of NRS 293.5235 : or section 6, 9, 10, 11, 81 or 82 of this act.

Sec. 15. NRS 293.1277 is hereby amended to read as follows:

293.1277 1. If the Secretary of State finds that the total number of signatures submitted to all the county clerks is 100 percent or more of the number of registered voters needed to declare the petition sufficient, the Secretary of State shall immediately so notify the county clerks. After the notification, each of the county clerks shall determine the number of registered voters who have signed the documents submitted in the county clerk's county and, in the case of a petition for initiative or referendum proposing a constitutional amendment or statewide measure, shall tally the number of signatures for each petition district contained or fully contained within the county clerk's county. This determination must be completed within 9 days, excluding Saturdays, Sundays and holidays, after the notification pursuant to this subsection regarding a petition containing signatures which are required to be verified pursuant to NRS 293.128, 295.056, 298.109, 306.035 or 306.110, and within 3 days, excluding Saturdays, Sundays and holidays, after the notification pursuant to this subsection regarding a petition containing signatures which are required to be verified pursuant to NRS 293.172 or 293.200. For the purpose of verification pursuant to this section, the county clerk shall not include in his or her tally of



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total signatures any signature included in the incorrect petition district.

- 2. Except as otherwise provided in subsection 3, if more than 500 names have been signed on the documents submitted to a county clerk, the county clerk shall examine the signatures by sampling them at random for verification. The random sample of signatures to be verified must be drawn in such a manner that every signature which has been submitted to the county clerk is given an equal opportunity to be included in the sample. The sample must include an examination of at least 500 or 5 percent of the signatures, whichever is greater. If documents were submitted to the county clerk for more than one petition district wholly contained within that county, a separate random sample must be performed for each petition district.
- 3. If a petition district comprises more than one county and the petition is for an initiative or referendum proposing a constitutional amendment or a statewide measure, and if more than 500 names have been signed on the documents submitted for that petition district, the appropriate county clerks shall examine the signatures by sampling them at random for verification. The random sample of signatures to be verified must be drawn in such a manner that every signature which has been submitted to the county clerks within the petition district is given an equal opportunity to be included in the sample. The sample must include an examination of at least 500 or 5 percent of the signatures presented in the petition district, whichever is greater. The Secretary of State shall determine the number of signatures that must be verified by each county clerk within the petition district.
- 4. In determining from the records of registration the number of registered voters who signed the documents, the county clerk may use the signatures contained in the file of applications to register to vote. If the county clerk uses that file, the county clerk shall ensure that every application in the file is examined, including any application in his or her possession which may not yet be entered into the county clerk's records. Except as otherwise provided in subsection 5, the county clerk shall rely only on the appearance of the signature and the address and date included with each signature in making his or her determination.
 - If:

- (a) Pursuant to NRS 293.506, a county clerk establishes a system to allow persons to register to vote by computer; for
- (b) A person registers to vote pursuant to section 6, 10, 11, 81 or 82 of this act;
- (c) A person registers to vote using the system established by the Secretary of State pursuant to section 8 of this act; or





- (d) A person registers to vote pursuant to NRS 293D.230 and signs his or her application to register to vote using a digital signature or an electronic signature,
- the county clerk may rely on such other indicia as prescribed by the Secretary of State in making his or her determination.
- 6. In the case of a petition for initiative or referendum proposing a constitutional amendment or statewide measure, when the county clerk is determining the number of registered voters who signed the documents from each petition district contained fully or partially within the county clerk's county, he or she must use the statewide voter registration list available pursuant to NRS 293.675.
- 7. Except as otherwise provided in subsection 9, upon completing the 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. 16.** NRS 293.235 is hereby amended to read as follows:
- 293.235 1. When it appears to the satisfaction of the county clerk that an absent ballot central counting board will expedite the work of tallying the absent ballot vote of the county, the county clerk [may] shall appoint such a board. [In counties which use a





computer to maintain records of registered voters, the county clerk shall appoint the board.]

2. In counties where an absent ballot central counting board has been appointed, no central election board may be appointed. The absent ballot central counting board shall perform the duties of the central election board.

Sec. 17. NRS 293.247 is hereby amended to read as follows:

- 293.247 1. The Secretary of State shall adopt regulations, not inconsistent with the election laws of this State, for the conduct of primary, general, special and district elections in all cities and counties. Permanent regulations of the Secretary of State that regulate the conduct of a primary, general, special or district election and are effective on or before the last business day of February immediately preceding a primary, general, special or district election govern the conduct of that election.
- 2. The Secretary of State shall prescribe the forms for a declaration of candidacy, certificate of candidacy, acceptance of candidacy and any petition which is filed pursuant to the general election laws of this State.
 - 3. The regulations must prescribe:
- (a) The manner of printing ballots and the number of ballots to be distributed to precincts and districts;
 - (b) The form and placement of instructions to voters;
 - (c) The disposition of election returns;
- (d) The procedures to be used for canvasses, ties, recounts and contests, including, without limitation, the appropriate use of a paper record created when a voter casts a ballot on a mechanical voting system that directly records the votes electronically;
- (e) The procedures to be used to ensure the security of the ballots from the time they are transferred from the polling place until they are stored pursuant to the provisions of NRS 293.391 or 293C.390;
- (f) The procedures to be used to ensure the security and accuracy of computer programs and tapes used for elections;
- (g) The procedures to be used for the testing, use and auditing of a mechanical voting system which directly records the votes electronically and which creates a paper record when a voter casts a ballot on the system;
- (h) The acceptable standards for the sending and receiving of applications, forms and ballots, by approved electronic transmission, by the county clerks and the electors, [or] registered voters or other persons who are authorized to use approved electronic transmission pursuant to the provisions of this title;





- (i) The forms for applications to *preregister and* register to vote and any other forms necessary for the administration of this title; and
- (j) Such other matters as determined necessary by the Secretary of State.
- 4. The Secretary of State may provide interpretations and take other actions necessary for the effective administration of the statutes and regulations governing the conduct of primary, general, special and district elections in this State.
- 5. The Secretary of State shall prepare and distribute to each county and city clerk copies of:
 - (a) Laws and regulations concerning elections in this State;
 - (b) Interpretations issued by the Secretary of State's Office; and
 - (c) Any Attorney General's opinions or any state or federal court decisions which affect state election laws or regulations whenever any of those opinions or decisions become known to the Secretary of State.
 - **Sec. 18.** 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 [a]:
- (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 8 of this act.
- 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.





- 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.
- 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. 19.** NRS 293.2546 is hereby amended to read as follows:
- 293.2546 The Legislature hereby declares that each voter has the right:
 - To receive and cast a ballot that:
- (a) Is written in a format that allows the clear identification of candidates; and
- 44 (b) Accurately records the voter's preference in the selection of candidates.



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- 2. To have questions concerning voting procedures answered and to have an explanation of the procedures for voting posted in a conspicuous place at the polling place.
 - 3. To vote without being intimidated, threatened or coerced.
- 4. To vote on election day if the voter is waiting in line to vote or register to vote before 7 p.m. at [his or her] a polling place at which he or she is entitled to vote [before 7 p.m.] or register to vote and the voter has not already cast a vote in that election.
- 5. To return a spoiled ballot and is entitled to receive another ballot in its place.
 - 6. To request assistance in voting, if necessary.
- 7. To a sample ballot which is accurate, informative and delivered in a timely manner.
- 8. To receive instruction in the use of the equipment for voting during early voting or on election day.
- 9. To have nondiscriminatory equal access to the elections system, including, without limitation, a voter who is elderly, disabled, a member of a minority group, employed by the military or a citizen who is overseas.
- 10. To have a uniform, statewide standard for counting and recounting all votes accurately.
- 11. To have complaints about elections and election contests resolved fairly, accurately and efficiently.

Sec. 20. 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 and in federal law, a person who registers to vote by mail or computer [to vote in this State] 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:
- (a) Registers to vote by mail or computer, or preregisters to vote by mail or computer and is subsequently deemed to be registered to vote, and submits with an application to preregister or register to vote:
 - (1) A copy of a current and valid photo identification; 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;
- (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. 21.** 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] a polling place [, as shown on the roster,] not designated pursuant to section 11 of this act as a site for an elector of the county to register to vote on the day of the election have been cast, as shown by the roster, the election board officers shall close the [polls,] polling place, 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. 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. 22.** NRS 293.275 is hereby amended to read as follows:
- 293.275 No election board may 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]:
 - 1. The roster for the polling place ; and
- 2. If the polling place is designated pursuant to section 11 of this act as a site for an elector of the county to register to vote on the day of the primary or general election, the roster designated for electors who register to vote pursuant to section 11 of this act.
 - **Sec. 23.** NRS 293.277 is hereby amended to read as follows:
- 293.277 1. Except as otherwise provided in NRS 293.283 and 293.541, if a person's name appears in the roster, [or] if the person provides an affirmation pursuant to NRS 293.525 [] or if the person registered to vote on the day of the primary or general election pursuant to section 11 of this act, the person is entitled to vote and must sign his or her name in the correct roster 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. Except as otherwise provided in NRS 293.2725, the forms of identification which may be used individually 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 which contains the voter's signature and physical description or picture.
 - Sec. 24. NRS 293.283 is hereby amended to read as follows:
- 293.283 1. If, because of physical limitations, a registered voter is unable to sign his or her name in the roster as required by NRS 293.277, 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.
- 2. If the identity of the voter is verified, the election board officer shall indicate in the roster "Identified" by the voter's name.
 - **Sec. 25.** NRS 293.285 is hereby amended to read as follows:
 - 293.285 1. Except as otherwise provided in NRS 293.283, a registered voter applying to vote shall 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 and verify the signature of the voter in the manner set forth in NRS 293.277.
 - 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 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 *preregister or* register to vote, the voter must update his or her signature on a form prescribed by the Secretary of State.
 - Sec. 26. NRS 293.296 is hereby amended to read as follows:
 - 293.296 1. Any registered voter who by reason 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 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 [his or her] a polling place [] at which he or she is entitled to vote.

Sec. 27. 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. 28.** 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 $\{\cdot,\cdot\}$; or
 - (b) If the polling place has been designated pursuant to section 11 of this act as a site for an elector of the county to register to vote on the day of the election, 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 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 voter registration.





Sec. 29. NRS 293.3081 is hereby amended to read as follows:

293.3081 *I.* A person at a polling place may cast a provisional ballot in an election to the person complies with the applicable provisions of NRS 293.3082 and:

[1.] (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;

[2.] (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

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

Sec. 30. NRS 293.3082 is hereby amended to read as follows:

- 293.3082 1. Before a person may cast a provisional ballot pursuant to NRS 293.3081, the person must complete a written affirmation on a form provided by an election board officer, as prescribed by the Secretary of State, at the polling place which includes:
 - (a) The name of the person casting the provisional ballot;
 - (b) The reason for casting the provisional ballot;
- (c) A statement in which the person casting the provisional ballot affirms under penalty of perjury that he or she is a registered voter in the jurisdiction and is eligible to vote in the election;
 - (d) The date and type of election;
 - (e) The signature of the person casting the provisional ballot;
 - (f) The signature of the election board officer;
- (g) A unique affirmation identification number assigned to the person casting the provisional ballot;
- (h) If the person is casting the provisional ballot pursuant to paragraph (a) of subsection 1 of NRS 293.3081:





- (1) An indication by the person as to whether or not he or she provided the required identification at the time the person applied to register to vote;
- (2) The address of the person as listed on the application to register to vote;
- (3) Information concerning the place, manner and approximate date on which the person applied to register to vote;
- (4) Any other information that the person believes may be useful in verifying that the person has registered to vote; and
- (5) A statement informing the voter that if the voter does not provide identification at the time the voter casts the provisional ballot, the required identification must be provided to the county or city clerk not later than 5 p.m. on the Friday following election day; [and that failure to do so will result in the provisional ballot not being counted:]
- (i) If the person is casting the provisional ballot pursuant to paragraph (b) of subsection [2] 1 of NRS 293.3081:
- (1) The address of the person as listed on the application to register to vote;
- (2) The voter registration number, if any, issued to the person; and
- (3) A statement informing the voter that the required identification must be provided to the county or city clerk not later than 5 p.m. on the Friday following election day; and [that failure to do so will result in the provisional ballot not being counted; and]
- (j) If the person is casting the provisional ballot pursuant to *paragraph* (c) of subsection [3] 1 of NRS 293.3081, the voter registration number, if any, issued to the person.
- 2. After a person completes a written affirmation pursuant to subsection 1:
- (a) The election board officer shall provide the person with a receipt that includes the unique affirmation identification number described in subsection 1 and that explains how the person may use the free access system established pursuant to NRS 293.3086 to ascertain whether the person's vote was counted, and, if the vote was not counted, the reason why the vote was not counted; *and*
- (b) The voter's name and applicable information must be entered into the roster in a manner which indicates that the voter cast a provisional ballot. F: and
- (c) The election board officer shall issue a provisional ballot to the person to vote only for candidates for federal offices.]
 - Sec. 31. NRS 293.3083 is hereby amended to read as follows:
- 293.3083 A person may cast a ballot by mail to vote for a candidate for federal office, which must be treated as a provisional ballot by the county or city clerk if the person:





- 1. Applies by mail or computer to register to vote and has not previously voted in an election for federal office in this State;
- 2. Fails to provide the identification required pursuant to paragraph (b) of subsection 1 of NRS 293.2725 to the county or city clerk at the time that the person mails the ballot; and
- 3. Completes the written affirmation set forth in subsection 1 of NRS 293.3082.
- **Sec. 32.** NRS 293.3084 is hereby amended to read as follows: 293.3084 Each county and city clerk shall establish procedures to:
- 1. Keep each provisional ballot cast pursuant to NRS 293.3081 or 293.3083 separate from other ballots until it has been determined whether or not the [voter was registered and eligible to vote] number of provisional ballots cast in the election [in that jurisdiction:
- 16 2. Keep each provisional ballot cast pursuant to subsection 3 of
 17 NRS 293.3081 separate from all other provisional ballots; and
 - —3.] may affect the outcome of any race or ballot question; and
- 2. Inform a person whose name does not appear on a voter registration list as an eligible voter for a polling place or who an election official asserts is not eligible to vote at the polling place of the ability of the person to cast a provisional ballot.
 - Sec. 33. NRS 293.3085 is hereby amended to read as follows:
 - 293.3085 1. [Following each election, a canvass of the provisional ballots cast in the election must be conducted pursuant to NRS 293.387 and, if appropriate, pursuant to NRS 293C.387.
 - 2.] The county and city clerk shall [not:
- 28 (a) Include any include every provisional ballot in the 29 unofficial results reported on election night. [; or
- (b) Open any envelope containing a provisional ballot before
 8 a.m. on the Wednesday following election day.
- 32 3. Except as otherwise provided in subsection 4, a provisional ballot must be counted if:
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- 2. If, based on the unofficial results of the election, the county or city clerk determines that the number of provisional ballots cast may affect the outcome of any race or ballot question, the county or city clerk must not include a provisional ballot in the canvass of the election conducted pursuant to NRS 293.387 or 293C.387, as applicable, unless the county or city clerk determines that:
- (a) The person who cast the provisional ballot was registered to vote in the election, eligible to vote in the election and issued the appropriate ballot for the address at which the person resides; or





(b) A voter who failed to provide required identification at the polling place or with his or her mailed ballot [provides] provided the required identification to the county or city clerk not later than

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(c) A court order has not been issued by 5 p.m. on the Friday following election day directing that provisional ballots cast pursuant to subsection 3 of NRS 293.3081 not be counted, and the provisional ballot was cast pursuant to subsection 3 of NRS 293 3081

4. 3. A provisional ballot must not be counted if [the]:

(a) The county or city clerk determines that the person who cast the provisional ballot cast the wrong ballot for the address at which the person resides $\frac{1}{100}$; or

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

NRS 293.3086 is hereby amended to read as follows: Sec. 34.

- The Secretary of State shall establish a free 293.3086 access system such as a toll-free telephone number or an Internet website to inform a person who cast a provisional ballot whether the person's vote was feounted included in the canvass of returns conducted pursuant to NRS 293.387 or 293C.387, as applicable, and, if the vote was not [counted,] included, the reason why the vote was not [counted.] included.
- 2. The free access system must ensure secrecy of the ballot while protecting the confidentiality and integrity of personal information contained therein.
- 3. Access to information concerning a provisional ballot must be restricted to the person who cast the provisional ballot.

Sec. 35. NRS 293.3564 is hereby amended to read as follows:

- 293.3564 1. The Each county clerk may shall establish at *least one* permanent polling [places] place for early voting by personal appearance in the county. [at the locations selected pursuant to NRS 293.3561.1
- 2. Except as otherwise provided in subsection 3, any Any person entitled to vote early by personal appearance may do so at any polling place for early voting.

[3. If it is impractical for the county clerk to provide at each polling place for early voting a ballot in every form required in the county, the county clerk may:

(a) Provide appropriate forms of ballots for all offices within a township, city, town or county commissioner election district, as

45 determined by the county clerk; and





- (b) Limit voting at that polling place to registered voters in that township, city, town or county commissioner election district.]
 - **Sec. 36.** 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 $\{\cdot\}$ or the roster designated for electors who register to vote during the period for early voting pursuant to section 10 of this act.
- (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 must contain:
- (a) The voter's name, the address where he or she is registered to vote, his or her voter identification number, a facsimile of the signature of the voter that is from the original application to register to vote 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. 37. 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; [and]
- (4) The number of signatures in the roster for early voting for that day [...]; and
- (5) The number of signatures in the roster designated for electors who register to vote during the period for early voting pursuant to section 10 of this act, if applicable.
 - (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 storage device required pursuant to NRS 293B.084 from each mechanical recording device used during the period for early voting; and
 - (d) 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. 38. NRS 293.389 is hereby amended to read as follows:

293.389 The Secretary of State, a board of county commissioners, a county clerk and any other person who prepares an abstract of votes or other report of votes pursuant to this chapter shall not include in that abstract or report a person designated as an inactive voter pursuant to *paragraph* (g) of subsection [7] I of NRS 293.530 when determining the percentage of voters who have voted or the total number of voters.

Sec. 39. NRS 293.440 is hereby amended to read as follows:

293.440 1. Any person who desires a copy of any list of the persons who are registered to vote in any precinct, district or county may obtain a copy by applying at the office of the county clerk and paying therefor a sum of money equal to 1 cent per name on the list, except that one copy of each original and supplemental list for each precinct, district or county must be provided both to the state central committee of any major political party and to the county central committee of any major political party, and to the executive committee of any minor political party upon request, without charge.

- 2. Except as otherwise provided in NRS 293.5002 and 293.558, the copy of the list provided pursuant to this section must indicate the address, date of birth, telephone number and the serial number on each application to register to vote. [If the county maintains this information in a computer database, the] The date of the most recent addition or revision to an entry, if made on or after July 1, 1989, must be included in the computer database maintained by the county and on any resulting list of the information. The date must be expressed numerically in the order of month, day and year.
- 3. A county may not pay more than 10 cents per folio or more than \$6 per thousand copies for printed lists for a precinct or district.
- 4. A county which has a system of computers capable of recording information on magnetic tape or diskette shall, upon request of the state central committee or county central committee of any major political party or the executive committee of any minor political party which has filed a certificate of existence with the Secretary of State, record for both the state central committee and the county central committee of the major political party, if requested, and for the executive committee of the minor political party, if requested, on magnetic tape or diskette supplied by it:
- (a) The list of persons who are registered to vote and the information required in subsection 2; and





- (b) Not more than four times per year, as requested by the state or county central committee or the executive committee:
- (1) A complete list of the persons who are registered to vote with a notation for the most recent entry of the date on which the entry or the latest change in the information was made; or
- (2) A list that includes additions and revisions made to the list of persons who are registered to vote after a date specified by the state or county central committee or the executive committee.
- 5. If a political party does not provide its own magnetic tape or diskette, or if a political party requests the list in any other form that does not require printing, the county clerk may charge a fee to cover the actual cost of providing the tape, diskette or list.
- 6. Any state or county central committee of a major political party, any executive committee of a minor political party or any member or representative of such a central committee or executive committee who receives without charge a list of the persons who are registered to vote in any precinct, district or county pursuant to this section shall not:
- (a) Use the list for any purpose that is not related to an election; or
- (b) Sell the list for compensation or other valuable consideration.
 - **Sec. 40.** 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 **frequired** *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. 41. NRS 293.486 is hereby amended to read as follows:

293.486 1. Except as otherwise provided in subsection 2, for the purposes of *preregistering or* registering to vote, the address at which the **[voter]** *person* actually resides is the street address assigned to the location at which the **[voter]** *person* actually resides.

- 2. For the purposes of *preregistering or* registering to vote, if the **[voter]** *person* does not reside at a location that has been assigned a street address, the address at which the **[voter]** *person* actually resides is a description of the location at which the **[voter]** *person* actually resides. The description must identify the location with sufficient specificity to allow the county clerk to assign the location to a precinct.
- 3. The provisions of this section do not authorize a person to *preregister or* register to vote if the person is not otherwise eligible to *preregister or* register to vote ..., as applicable.

Sec. 42. NRS 293.5002 is hereby amended to read as follows:

- 293.5002 1. The Secretary of State shall establish procedures to allow a person for whom a fictitious address has been issued pursuant to NRS 217.462 to 217.471, inclusive, to:
 - (a) [Register] Preregister or register to vote; and

(b) Vote by absent ballot,

→ without revealing the confidential address of the person.

- 2. In addition to establishing appropriate procedures or developing forms pursuant to subsection 1, the Secretary of State shall develop a form to allow a person for whom a fictitious address has been issued to *preregister or* register to vote or to change the address of the person's current *preregistration or* registration [...], as applicable. The form must include:
- (a) A section that contains the confidential address of the person; and
 - (b) A section that contains the fictitious address of the person.
- 3. Upon receiving a completed form from a person for whom a fictitious address has been issued, the Secretary of State shall:
- (a) On the portion of the form that contains the fictitious address of the person, indicate the county and precinct in which the person will vote and forward this portion of the form to the appropriate county clerk; and
- (b) File the portion of the form that contains the confidential address.
- 4. Notwithstanding any other provision of law, any request received by the Secretary of State pursuant to subsection 3 shall be deemed a request for a permanent absent ballot.
 - 5. Notwithstanding any other provision of law:
- (a) The Secretary of State and each county clerk shall keep the portion of the form developed pursuant to subsection 2 that he or





she retains separate from other applications for *preregistration or* registration.

- (b) The county clerk shall not make the name, confidential address or fictitious address of the person who has been issued a fictitious address available for:
 - (1) Inspection or copying; or

- (2) Inclusion in any list that is made available for public inspection,
- inless directed to do so by lawful order of a court of competent jurisdiction.
 - **Sec. 43.** NRS 293.503 is hereby amended to read as follows:
- 293.503 1. The county clerk of each county where a registrar of voters has not been appointed pursuant to NRS 244.164:
- (a) Is ex officio county registrar and registrar for all precincts within the county.
- (b) Shall have the custody of all books, documents and papers pertaining to *preregistration or* registration provided for in this chapter.
- 2. All books, documents and papers pertaining to *preregistration or* registration are official records of the office of the county clerk.
- 3. The county clerk shall maintain records of any program or activity that is conducted within the county to ensure the accuracy and currency of the registrar of voters' register for not less than 2 years after creation. The records must include the names and addresses of any person to whom a notice is mailed pursuant to NRS 293.5235, 293.530, or 293.535 and whether the person responded to the notice.
- 4. Any program or activity that is conducted within the county for the purpose of removing the name of each person who is ineligible to vote in the county from the registrar of voters' register must be complete not later than 90 days before the next primary or general election.
- 5. Except as otherwise provided by subsection 6, all records maintained by the county clerk pursuant to subsection 3 must be available for public inspection.
 - 6. Except as otherwise provided in NRS 239.0115, any information relating to where a person *preregisters or* registers to vote must remain confidential and is not available for public inspection. Such information may only be used by an election officer for purposes related to **[voter]** *preregistration and* registration.

Sec. 44. NRS 293.5035 is hereby amended to read as follows:

293.5035 1. The county clerk may designate any building owned or leased by the county, or any portion of such a building, as





a county facility at which *persons may preregister to vote and* electors may register to vote.

- 2. A county facility designated pursuant to subsection 1 must be operated as an auxiliary county facility at which [voter] preregistration and registration [is] are carried out in addition to being carried out at the office of the county clerk.
- 3. If the county clerk designates a county facility pursuant to subsection 1, the county clerk shall determine the hours of operation for the facility and shall, in cooperation with the Secretary of State, ensure that the facility is operated, staffed and equipped in compliance with all applicable provisions of this title and all other applicable provisions of state and federal law relating to the *preregistration of persons and the* registration of electors in this State.

Sec. 45. NRS 293.504 is hereby amended to read as follows:

- 293.504 1. The following offices shall serve as voter registration agencies:
 - (a) Such offices that provide public assistance as are designated by the Secretary of State;
- (b) Each office that receives money from the State of Nevada to provide services to persons with disabilities in this State;
 - (c) The offices of the Department of Motor Vehicles;
 - (d) The offices of the city and county clerks;
- (e) Such other county and municipal facilities as a county clerk or city clerk may designate pursuant to NRS 293.5035 or 293C.520, as applicable;
 - (f) Recruitment offices of the United States Armed Forces; and
- (g) Such other offices as the Secretary of State deems appropriate.
 - 2. Each voter registration agency shall:
- (a) Post in a conspicuous place, in at least 12-point type, instructions for *preregistering and* registering to vote;
- (b) Except as otherwise provided in subsection 3 [,] and sections 2 to 7, inclusive, of this act, distribute applications to preregister or register to vote which may be returned by mail with any application for services or assistance from the agency or submitted for any other purpose and with each application for recertification, renewal or change of address submitted to the agency that relates to such services, assistance or other purpose;
- (c) Provide the same amount of assistance to an applicant in completing an application to *preregister or* register to vote as the agency provides to a person completing any other forms for the agency; and
- (d) Accept completed applications to *preregister or* register to vote.





- 3. A voter registration agency is not required to provide an application to *preregister or* register to vote pursuant to paragraph (b) of subsection 2 to a person who applies for or receives services or assistance from the agency or submits an application for any other purpose if the person affirmatively declines to preregister or register to vote and submits to the agency a written form that meets the requirements of [42] 52 U.S.C. § [1973gg-5(a)(6). No information 20506(a)(6). Information related to the declination to preregister or register to vote may not be used for any purpose other than voter registration.
- 4. Except as otherwise provided in this subsection and NRS 293.524, and section 5 of this act, any application to preregister or register to vote accepted by a voter registration agency must be transmitted to the county clerk not later than 10 days after the application is accepted. The applications must be forwarded daily during the 2 weeks immediately preceding the fifth Sunday preceding an election. The county clerk shall accept any application to register to votel which is obtained from a voter registration agency pursuant to this section and completed by the fifth Sunday preceding an election if the county clerk receives the application not later than 5 days after that date.
- The Secretary of State shall cooperate with the Secretary of Defense to develop and carry out procedures to enable persons in this State to apply to *preregister or* register to vote at recruitment offices of the United States Armed Forces.
 - **Sec. 46.** NRS 293.504 is hereby amended to read as follows:
- 293.504 1. The following offices shall serve as voter registration agencies:
- (a) Such offices that provide public assistance as are designated by the Secretary of State;
- (b) Each office that receives money from the State of Nevada to provide services to persons with disabilities in this State;
 - (c) The offices of the Department of Motor Vehicles;
 - (d) The offices of the city and county clerks;
 - (e) Such other county and municipal facilities as a county clerk or city clerk may designate pursuant to NRS 293.5035 or 293C.520, as applicable:
 - (f) Recruitment offices of the United States Armed Forces; and
- 39 (g) Such other offices as the Secretary of State deems 40 appropriate. 41
 - Each voter registration agency shall [:
 - (a) Post post in a conspicuous place, in at least 12-point type, instructions for preregistering and registering to vote.
 - (b) Except as otherwise provided in subsection 3 and sections 2 to 7, inclusive, of this act, distribute applications to preregister or



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register to vote which may be returned by mail with any application for services or assistance from the agency or submitted for any other purpose and with each application for recertification, renewal or change of address submitted to the agency that relates to such services, assistance or other purpose;

- (c) Provide the same amount of assistance to an applicant in completing an application to preregister or register to vote as the agency provides to a person completing any other forms for the agency; and
- (d) Accept completed applications to preregister or register to vote.
- 3. A voter registration agency is not required to provide an application to preregister or register to vote pursuant to paragraph (b) of subsection 2 to a person who applies for or receives services or assistance from the agency or submits an application for any other purpose if the person affirmatively declines to preregister or register to vote and submits to the agency a written form that meets the requirements of 52 U.S.C. § 20506(a)(6). Information related to the declination to preregister or register to vote may not be used for any purpose other than voter registration.
- 4. Except as otherwise provided in this subsection and NRS 293.524, and section 5 of this act, any application to preregister or register to vote accepted by a voter registration agency must be transmitted to the county clerk not later than 10 days after the application is accepted. The applications must be forwarded daily during the 2 weeks immediately preceding the fifth Sunday preceding an election. The county clerk shall accept any application which is obtained from a voter registration agency pursuant to this section and completed by the fifth Sunday preceding an election if the county clerk receives the application not later than 5 days after that date.
- 5.] 3. The Secretary of State shall cooperate with the Secretary of Defense to develop and carry out procedures to enable persons in this State to apply to preregister or register to vote at recruitment offices of the United States Armed Forces.
 - **Sec. 47.** NRS 293.505 is hereby amended to read as follows:
- 293.505 1. All justices of the peace, except those located in county seats, are ex officio field registrars to carry out the provisions of this chapter.
- 2. The county clerk shall appoint at least one registered voter to serve as a field registrar of voters who, except as otherwise provided in NRS 293.5055, shall *preregister and* register voters within the county for which the field registrar is appointed. Except as otherwise provided in subsection 1, a candidate for any office may not be appointed or serve as a field registrar. A field registrar serves





at the pleasure of the county clerk and shall perform such duties as the county clerk may direct. The county clerk shall not knowingly appoint any person as a field registrar who has been convicted of a felony involving theft or fraud. The Secretary of State may bring an action against a county clerk to collect a civil penalty of not more than \$5,000 for each person who is appointed as a field registrar in violation of this subsection. Any civil penalty collected pursuant to this subsection must be deposited with the State Treasurer for credit to the State General Fund.

- 3. A field registrar shall demand of any person who applies for *preregistration or* registration all information required by the application to *preregister or* register to vote, *as applicable*, and shall administer all oaths required by this chapter.
- 4. When a field registrar has in his or her possession five or more completed applications to *preregister or* register to vote, the field registrar shall forward them to the county clerk, but in no case may the field registrar hold any number of them for more than 10 days.
- 5. Each field registrar shall forward to the county clerk all completed applications in his or her possession immediately after the fifth Sunday preceding an election. Within 5 days after the fifth Sunday preceding any general election or general city election, a field registrar shall return all unused applications in his or her possession to the county clerk. If all of the unused applications are not returned to the county clerk, the field registrar shall account for the unreturned applications.
- 6. Each field registrar shall submit to the county clerk a list of the serial numbers of the completed applications to *preregister or* register to vote and the names of the electors on those applications. The serial numbers must be listed in numerical order.
- 7. Each field registrar shall post notices sent to him or her by the county clerk for posting in accordance with the election laws of this State.
- 8. A field registrar, employee of a voter registration agency or person assisting a voter pursuant to subsection 13 of NRS 293.5235 shall not:
 - (a) Delegate any of his or her duties to another person; or
 - (b) Refuse to *preregister or* register a person on account of that person's political party affiliation.
 - 9. A person shall not hold himself or herself out to be or attempt to exercise the duties of a field registrar unless the person has been so appointed.
 - 10. A county clerk, field registrar, employee of a voter registration agency or person assisting [a voter] another person pursuant to subsection 13 of NRS 293.5235 shall not:





- 1 (a) Solicit a vote for or against a particular question or 2 candidate;
 - (b) Speak to a **[voter] person** on the subject of marking his or her ballot for or against a particular question or candidate; or
 - (c) Distribute any petition or other material concerning a candidate or question which will be on the ballot for the ensuing election,
 - → while *preregistering or* registering [an elector.] the person.
 - 11. When the county clerk receives applications to *preregister or* register to vote from a field registrar, the county clerk shall issue a receipt to the field registrar. The receipt must include:
 - (a) The number of persons *preregistered or* registered; and
 - (b) The political party of the persons *preregistered or* registered.
 - 12. A county clerk, field registrar, employee of a voter registration agency or person assisting [a voter] another person pursuant to subsection 13 of NRS 293.5235 shall not:
 - (a) Knowingly [register]:

- (1) Register a person who is not a qualified elector or a person who has filed a false or misleading application to register to vote; or
- (2) Preregister a person who does not meet the qualifications set forth in section 9 of this act; or
- (b) [Register] *Preregister or register* a person who fails to provide satisfactory proof of identification and the address at which the person actually resides.
- 13. A county clerk, field registrar, employee of a voter registration agency, person assisting [a voter] another person pursuant to subsection 13 of NRS 293.5235 or any other person providing a form for the application to preregister or register to vote to an elector for the purpose of preregistering or registering to vote:
- (a) If the person who assists [an elector] another person with completing the form for the application to preregister or register to vote retains the form, shall enter his or her name on the duplicate copy or receipt retained by the [voter] person upon completion of the form; and
- (b) Shall not alter, deface or destroy an application to *preregister or* register to vote that has been signed by [an elector] a *person* except to correct information contained in the application after receiving notice from the [elector] *person* that a change in or addition to the information is required.
- 14. If a field registrar violates any of the provisions of this section, the county clerk shall immediately suspend the field registrar and notify the district attorney of the county in which the violation occurred





15. A person who violates any of the provisions of subsection 8, 9, 10, 12 or 13 is guilty of a category E felony and shall be punished as provided in NRS 193.130.

Sec. 48. NRS 293.5055 is hereby amended to read as follows:

293.5055 A county clerk or field registrar may *preregister or* register, outside the boundaries of the county, any **[voter]** person who is a resident of that county [...] and meets the qualifications to preregister or register to vote, as applicable.

Sec. 49. NRS 293.5057 is hereby amended to read as follows:

293.5057 A person who does not maintain a residence in this State may *preregister or* register to vote for the office of President and Vice President of the United States if the person files a sworn statement with the county clerk or field registrar of voters that the person is not *preregistered or* registered to vote in any other state and provides evidence:

- 1. Of his or her domicile in this State in accordance with the provisions of NRS 41.191;
- 2. That he or she maintains an account at a financial institution located in this State; or
 - 3. That his or her motor vehicle is registered in this State.

Sec. 50. 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 **[comply]**:
- (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:
- (a) 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 8 of this act; and
- (b) Use a computer to keep records of preregistration and registration.
 - **Sec. 51.** NRS 293.507 is hereby amended to read as follows:

293.507 1. The Secretary of State shall prescribe:

- (a) [A standard form] Standard forms for applications to preregister or register to vote;
- (b) [A special form] Special forms for preregistration and registration to be used fin a county where registrations are



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performed and records of registration are kept] for preregistration or registration by computer; and

- (c) A standard form for the affidavit described in subsection 5.
- 2. The county clerks shall provide forms for applications to *preregister or* register to vote to field registrars in the form and number prescribed by the Secretary of State.
- 3. Each form for an application to *preregister or* register to vote must include a:
- (a) Unique control number assigned by the Secretary of State; and
 - (b) Receipt which:

- (1) Includes a space for a person assisting an applicant in completing the form to enter the person's name; and
- (2) May be retained by the applicant upon completion of the form.
- 4. The form for an application to *preregister or* register to vote must include:
 - (a) A line for use by the applicant to enter:
- (1) The number indicated on the applicant's current and valid driver's license issued by the Department of Motor Vehicles, if the applicant has such a driver's license;
- (2) The last four digits of the applicant's social security number, if the applicant does not have a driver's license issued by the Department of Motor Vehicles and does have a social security number; or
- (3) The number issued to the applicant pursuant to subsection 5, if the applicant does not have a current and valid driver's license issued by the Department of Motor Vehicles or a social security number.
- (b) A line on which to enter the address at which the applicant actually resides, as set forth in NRS 293.486.
- (c) A notice that the applicant may not list a business as the address required pursuant to paragraph (b) unless the applicant actually resides there.
 - (d) A line on which to enter an address at which the applicant may receive mail, including, without limitation, a post office box or general delivery.
 - 5. If an applicant does not have the identification set forth in subparagraph (1) or (2) of paragraph (a) of subsection 4, the applicant shall sign an affidavit stating that he or she does not have a current and valid driver's license issued by the Department of Motor Vehicles or a social security number. Upon receipt of the affidavit, the county clerk shall issue an identification number to the applicant which must be the same number as the unique identifier assigned to the applicant for purposes of the statewide voter registration list.





1 6. The Secretary of State shall adopt regulations to carry out 2 the provisions of subsections 3, 4 and 5.

Sec. 52. NRS 293.508 is hereby amended to read as follows:

293.508 The Secretary of State shall include on all forms for an application to *preregister or* register to vote prescribed by the Secretary of State the following option, printed in a separate box created by bold lines, in at least 14-point bold type:

[] CHECK THIS BOX TO RECEIVE A SAMPLE BALLOT IN LARGER TYPE

Sec. 53. NRS 293.509 is hereby amended to read as follows:

293.509 1. A county clerk may provide the **[form for the application]** forms for applications to preregister or register to vote prescribed by the Secretary of State pursuant to NRS 293.507 to a candidate, major political party, minor political party or any other person submitting a request pursuant to subsection 2.

- 2. A candidate, major political party, minor political party or other person shall:
- (a) Submit a request for forms for [the application] applications to preregister or register to vote to the county clerk in person, by telephone, in writing or by facsimile machine; and
- (b) State the number of forms for [the application] applications to preregister or register to vote that the candidate, major political party, minor political party or other person is requesting.
- 3. The county clerk may record the control numbers assigned to the forms by the Secretary of State pursuant to NRS 293.507 of the forms he or she provided in response to the request. The county clerk shall maintain a request for multiple applications with the county clerk's records.
 - **Sec. 54.** 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 *Each* 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 vote in alphabetical order. These listings of applications to register to vote must be used to prepare the rosters.
- 2. Each county clerk shall keep the applications to preregister to vote separate from the applications to register to vote until such applications are deemed to be applications to register to vote pursuant to section 9 of this act.

Sec. 55. NRS 293.517 is hereby amended to read as follows:

293.517 1. Any person who meets the qualifications set forth in section 9 of this act 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 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 section 6, 10, 11, 81 or 82 of this act or chapter 293D of NRS;
- (d) At his or her residence with the assistance of a field registrar pursuant to NRS 293.5237; 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 8 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.
 - The county clerk shall require a person to submit official identification as proof of residence and identity, such as a driver's license or other official document, before *preregistering or* registering the person. If the applicant *preregisters or* registers to vote pursuant to this subsection and fails to provide proof of residence and identity, the applicant must provide proof of residence and identity before casting a ballot in person or by mail or after casting a provisional ballot pursuant to NRS 293.3081 or 293.3083.





For the purposes of this subsection, a voter registration card issued pursuant to subsection 6 does not provide proof of the residence or identity of a person.

- 2. [The] Except as otherwise provided in sections 2 to 7, inclusive, of this act, the application to preregister or register to vote must be signed and verified under penalty of perjury by the person preregistering or the elector registering.
- 3. Each elector who is or has been married must be *preregistered or* registered under his or her own given or first name, and not under the given or first name or initials of his or her spouse.
- 4. [An] Except as otherwise provided in sections 2 to 7, inclusive, of this act, a person or an elector who is preregistered or registered and changes his or her name must complete a new application to preregister or register to vote [...], as applicable. The person or elector may obtain a new application:
 - (a) At the office of the county clerk or field registrar;
- (b) By submitting an application to *preregister or* register to vote pursuant to the provisions of NRS 293.5235;
- (c) By submitting a written statement to the county clerk requesting the county clerk to mail an application to *preregister or* register to vote;
 - (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 8 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. Except as otherwise provided in subsection 7 [-] and sections 4 to 7, inclusive, of this act, 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. 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. 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 [to register to vote] if the county clerk believes that because of such handwritten additions, erasures or interlineations, the application [to register to vote of the elector] is incomplete or that, except as otherwise provided in NRS 293D.210, the *person is not eligible to preregister pursuant to section 9 of this act 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 [to register to vote of the elector] is complete and, except as otherwise provided in NRS 293D.210, the *person is eligible to preregister pursuant to section 9 of this act or the* elector is eligible to vote pursuant to NRS 293.485; and
- (b) The county clerk should proceed to process the application. Ito register to vote.
- ☐ If the District Attorney advises the county clerk to process the application, {to register to vote,} the county clerk shall immediately issue a voter registration card to the applicant pursuant to subsection 6 [...], if applicable.

Sec. 56. NRS 293.518 is hereby amended to read as follows:

- 293.518 1. [At] Except as otherwise provided in sections 3 and 4 of this act, at the time a person preregisters or an elector registers to vote, the person or elector must indicate:
 - (a) A political party affiliation; or
 - (b) That he or she is not affiliated with a political party.
- Aperson or an elector who indicates that he or she is "independent" shall be deemed not affiliated with a political party.
- 2. If *a person or* an elector indicates that he or she is not affiliated with a political party, or is independent, the county clerk or field registrar of voters shall list the *person's or* elector's political party as nonpartisan.
- 3. If *a person or* an elector indicates an affiliation with a major political party or a minor political party that has filed a certificate of existence with the Secretary of State, the county clerk or field registrar of voters shall list the *person's or* elector's political party as indicated by the *person or* elector.





- 4. If *a person or* an elector indicates an affiliation with a minor political party that has not filed a certificate of existence with the Secretary of State, the county clerk or field registrar of voters shall:
- (a) List the *person's or* elector's political party as the party indicated in the application to *preregister or* register to vote $\{\cdot,\cdot\}$, as applicable.
- (b) When compiling data related to *preregistration and* voter registration for the county, report the *person's or* elector's political party as "other party."
- 5. If *a person or* an elector does not make any of the indications described in subsection 1, the county clerk or field registrar of voters shall:
- (a) List the *person's or* elector's political party as nonpartisan; and
- (b) Mail to the *person or* elector a notice setting forth that the *person has been preregistered or the* elector has been registered to vote, *as applicable*, as a nonpartisan because [the elector] he or she did not make any of the indications described in subsection 1.

Sec. 57. NRS 293.520 is hereby amended to read as follows:

293.520 Except as otherwise provided in this section, the *preregistration of persons or* registration or reregistration of electors who are unable to sign their names must be made upon personal application of those *persons or* electors at the office of the county clerk where they may be identified or in the presence of a field registrar. If such *a person or* an elector is unable to appear in person at the office of the county clerk, the county clerk shall send a field registrar or an employee of the office of the county clerk to the elector to identify the *person or* elector and *preregister the person or* register or reregister the elector, as appropriate. The *persons or* electors described in this section may use a mark or cross in place of a signature.

Sec. 58. NRS 293.523 is hereby amended to read as follows:

293.523 A naturalized citizen need not produce his or her certificate of naturalization in order to qualify to be *preregistered or* registered.

Sec. 59. 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 : using the system established by the Secretary of State pursuant to section 8 of this act or the system established by the county clerk, if the county clerk has established a system pursuant to NRS 293.506 for using a computer to 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 [and], 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 [registered]:
 - (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 register to vote.
- (2) Using the system established by the Secretary of State pursuant to section 8 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 register to vote] 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) [The] If the application is to:
- (1) Preregister to vote, the question, "Are you at least 16 years of age and not more than 18 years of age?" and boxes to indicate whether or not the applicant is at least 16 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. 60. NRS 293.5237 is hereby amended to read as follows: 293.5237 Any time [before]:

- 1. A person who, because of illness, disability or for other good cause shown, requires assistance to complete an application to preregister to vote may request the county clerk in writing or by telephone to preregister the person at the person's residence. Upon request, the county clerk shall direct the appropriate field registrar to go to the home of such a person to preregister the person to vote.
- **2. Before** the fifth Sunday preceding an election, a person who because of illness, disability or for other good cause shown requires assistance to complete an application to register to vote may request the county clerk in writing or by telephone to register the person at the person's residence. Upon request, the county clerk shall direct the appropriate field registrar to go to the home of such a person to register the person to vote.
 - **Sec. 61.** NRS 293.524 is hereby amended to read as follows:
- 293.524 1. [The] Except as otherwise provided in this section, the Department of Motor Vehicles shall provide [an] a paper application to preregister or register to vote to each person who [applies]:
- (a) Applies for the issuance or renewal of any type of driver's license or identification card issued by the Department :: and
- (b) Does not apply to preregister or register to vote pursuant to section 4 of this act.
- 2. The county clerk shall use the applications to *preregister or* register to vote which are signed and completed pursuant to subsection 1 to *preregister or* register applicants to vote or to correct information in *a person's previous application to preregister or* the registrar of voters' register. [An] *A paper* application that is not signed must not be used to *preregister or* register or correct the *preregistration or* registration of the applicant.
- 3. For the purposes of this section, each employee specifically authorized to do so by the Director of the Department may oversee the completion of a paper application. The authorized employee shall check the paper application for completeness and verify the information required by the paper application. Each paper application must include a duplicate copy or receipt to be retained by the applicant upon completion of the form. The Department shall, except as otherwise provided in this subsection, forward each paper application on a weekly basis to the county clerk or, if applicable, to the registrar of voters of the county in which the applicant resides. The paper applications must be forwarded daily during the 2 weeks immediately preceding the fifth Sunday preceding an election.





- 4. The Department is not required to provide a paper application to preregister or register to vote pursuant to subsection 1 to a person who declines to apply to preregister or register to vote pursuant to this section and submits to the Department a written form that meets the requirements of 52 U.S.C. § 20506(a)(6). Information related to the declination to apply to preregister or register to vote must not be used for any purpose other than voter registration.
- 5. The county clerk shall accept any *paper* application to [register]:
 - (a) Preregister to vote at any time.

- **(b) Register** to vote which is obtained from the Department of Motor Vehicles pursuant to this section and completed by the fifth Sunday preceding an election if the county clerk receives the **paper** application not later than 5 days after that date.
- Upon receipt of [an] a paper application, the county clerk or field registrar of voters shall determine whether the paper application is complete. If the county clerk or field registrar of voters determines that the *paper* application is complete, he or she shall notify the applicant and the applicant shall be deemed to be preregistered or registered as of the date of the submission of the paper application. If the county clerk or field registrar of voters determines that the *paper* application is not complete, he or she shall notify the applicant of the additional information required. The applicant shall be deemed to be *preregistered or* registered as of the date of the initial submission of the paper application if the additional information is provided within 15 days after the notice for the additional information is mailed. If the applicant has not provided the additional information within 15 days after the notice for the additional information is mailed, the incomplete paper application is void. Any notification required by this subsection must be given by mail at the mailing address on the paper application not more than 7 working days after the determination is made concerning whether the *paper* application is complete.
- [5.] 7. The county clerk shall use any form submitted to the Department to correct information on a driver's license or identification card to correct information on a previous application to preregister or in the registrar of voters' register, unless the person indicates on the form that the correction is not to be used for the purposes of voter preregistration or registration. The Department shall forward each such form to the county clerk or, if applicable, to the registrar of voters of the county in which the person resides in the same manner provided by subsection 3 for paper applications to preregister or register to vote.





- [6.] 8. Upon receipt of a form to correct information, the county clerk shall compare the information to that contained in the application to preregister to vote or the registrar of voters' register [. If the person is a registered voter, the], as applicable. The county clerk shall correct the information to reflect any changes indicated on the form. After making any changes, the county clerk shall notify the person by mail that the records have been corrected.
- 7. 9. The Secretary of State shall, with the approval of the Director, adopt regulations to:
- (a) Establish any procedure necessary to provide *a person who applies to preregister to vote or* an elector who applies to register to vote pursuant to this section the opportunity to do so;
- (b) Prescribe the contents of any forms or *paper* applications which the Department is required to distribute pursuant to this section; and
- (c) Provide for the transfer of the completed *paper* applications of *preregistration or* registration from the Department to the appropriate county clerk. [for inclusion in the rosters and registrar of voters' register.]
 - Sec. 62. NRS 293.524 is hereby amended to read as follows:
- 293.524 1. Except as otherwise provided in this section [the]:
- 23 (a) The Department of Motor Vehicles shall provide a paper application to preregister or register to vote to each person who:
 - (1) Applies for the issuance or renewal of any type of driver's license or identification card issued by the Department; and
 - [(b)] (2) Does not apply to preregister or register to vote pursuant to section 4 of this act.
 - (b) Each voter registration agency other than the Department of Motor Vehicles shall provide a paper application to preregister or register to vote to each person who:
 - (1) Applies for or receives services or assistance from the agency; and
 - (2) Does not apply to preregister or register to vote pursuant to section 6 of this act.
 - 2. The county clerk shall use the applications to preregister or register to vote which are signed and completed pursuant to subsection 1 to preregister or register applicants to vote or to correct information in a person's previous application to preregister or the registrar of voters' register. A paper application that is not signed must not be used to preregister or register or correct the preregistration or registration of the applicant.
 - 3. For the purposes of this section, each employee specifically authorized to do so **[by the Director of the Department]** may oversee the completion of a paper application. The authorized employee





shall check the paper application for completeness and verify the information required by the paper application. Each paper application must include a duplicate copy or receipt to be retained by the applicant upon completion of the form. [The Department] A voter registration agency shall, except as otherwise provided in this subsection, forward each paper application on a weekly basis to the county clerk or, if applicable, to the registrar of voters of the county in which the applicant resides. The paper applications must be forwarded daily during the 2 weeks immediately preceding the fifth Sunday preceding an election.

- 4. [The Department] A voter registration agency is not required to provide a paper application to preregister or register to vote pursuant to subsection 1 to a person who declines to apply to preregister or register to vote pursuant to this section and submits to the [Department] voter registration agency a written form that meets the requirements of 52 U.S.C. § 20506(a)(6). Information related to the declination to apply to preregister or register to vote must not be used for any purpose other than voter registration.
 - 5. The county clerk shall accept any paper application to:
 - (a) Preregister to vote at any time.
- (b) Register to vote which is obtained from [the Department of Motor Vehicles] a voter registration agency pursuant to this section and completed by the fifth Sunday preceding an election if the county clerk receives the paper application not later than 5 days after that date.
- Upon receipt of a paper application, the county clerk or field registrar of voters shall determine whether the paper application is complete. If the county clerk or field registrar of voters determines that the paper application is complete, he or she shall notify the applicant and the applicant shall be deemed to be preregistered or registered as of the date of the submission of the paper application. If the county clerk or field registrar of voters determines that the paper application is not complete, he or she shall notify the applicant of the additional information required. The applicant shall be deemed to be preregistered or registered as of the date of the initial submission of the paper application if the additional information is provided within 15 days after the notice for the additional information is mailed. If the applicant has not provided the additional information within 15 days after the notice for the additional information is mailed, the incomplete paper application is void. Any notification required by this subsection must be given by mail at the mailing address on the paper application not more than 7 working days after the determination is made concerning whether the paper application is complete.





- 7. The county clerk shall use any form submitted to [the Department to correct information on a driver's license or identification card] a voter registration agency to correct information on a previous application to preregister or in the registrar of voters' register, unless the person indicates on the form that the correction is not to be used for the purposes of voter preregistration or registration. [The Department] A voter registration agency shall forward each such form to the county clerk or, if applicable, to the registrar of voters of the county in which the person resides in the same manner provided by subsection 3 for paper applications to preregister or register to vote.
- 8. Upon receipt of a form to correct information, the county clerk shall compare the information to that contained in the application to preregister to vote or the registrar of voters' register, as applicable. The county clerk shall correct the information to reflect any changes indicated on the form. After making any changes, the county clerk shall notify the person by mail that the records have been corrected.
- 9. The Secretary of State shall [, with the approval of the Director,] adopt regulations to:
- (a) Establish any procedure necessary to provide a person who applies to preregister to vote or an elector who applies to register to vote pursuant to this section the opportunity to do so;
- (b) Prescribe the contents of any forms or paper applications which [the Department] a voter registration agency is required to distribute pursuant to this section; and
- (c) Provide for the transfer of the completed paper applications of preregistration or registration from the **Department** voter registration agency to the appropriate county clerk.
 - **Sec. 63.** NRS 293.527 is hereby amended to read as follows:
- 293.527 When a person moves to another county and preregisters to vote therein, or an elector moves to another county and registers to vote therein, the county clerk of the county where the person or elector has moved shall send a cancellation notice to the clerk of the county in which the person or elector previously resided. The county clerk receiving such a notice shall cancel the preregistration or registration of the person or elector and place it in a cancelled file.

Sec. 64. NRS 293.530 is hereby amended to read as follows:

293.530 *I.* Except as otherwise provided in NRS 293.541:

[1.] (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.





[2.] (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.

[3.] (c) A county clerk shall cancel the registration of a voter pursuant to this [section] subsection if:

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

[(b)] (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;

(c) (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.

[4.] (d) For the purposes of this [section,] 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 subsection 3;

 $\frac{(b)}{}$ paragraph (c);

(2) Any response to such notice; and

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

for not less than 2 years after creation.

[6.] (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.

[7.] (g) If a voter fails to return the postcard mailed pursuant to subsection 3] paragraph (c) within 30 days, the county clerk shall designate the voter as inactive on the voter's application to register to vote.

[8.] (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 [subsection 7.] paragraph (g).

(i) If:

- (1) The name of a voter is added to the statewide voter registration list pursuant to section 6 of this act; or
- (2) The voter registration information of a voter whose name is on the statewide voter registration list is updated pursuant to section 6 of this act,

the county clerk shall provide written notice of the addition or change to the voter not later than 5 working days after the addition or change is made. Except as otherwise provided in this paragraph, the notice must be mailed to the current residence of





the voter. The county clerk may send the notice by electronic mail if the voter confirms the validity of the electronic mail address to which the notice will be sent by responding to a confirmation inquiry sent to that electronic mail address. Such a confirmation inquiry must be sent for each notice sent pursuant to this paragraph.

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 section 9

of this act.

Sec. 65. 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 country 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 section 9 of this act.





- **Sec. 66.** NRS 293.537 is hereby amended to read as follows: 293.537

 1. The county clerk of each county shall maintain [a]:
- (a) A file of the applications to preregister to vote of persons who have cancelled their preregistration; and
- **(b)** A file of the applications to register to vote of electors who have cancelled their registration.
- The [file] files must be kept in alphabetical order. The county clerk shall mark the applications "Cancelled," and indicate thereon the reason for cancellation.
- 2. If the county clerk finds that the preregistration of a person was cancelled erroneously, the county clerk shall reinstate the person's application to preregister to vote.
- 3. If the county clerk finds that the registration of an elector was cancelled erroneously, the county clerk shall reregister the elector or on election day allow the elector whose registration was erroneously cancelled to vote pursuant to NRS 293.304, 293.525, 293C.295 or 293C.525.
 - [2.] 4. The county clerk may:
- (a) Microfilm the applications to *preregister or* register to vote of *a person or* an elector who cancels his or her *preregistration or* registration, *as applicable*, and destroy the originals at any time.
- (b) Record cancelled applications to *preregister or* register to vote by computer and destroy the originals at any time.
- (c) Destroy any application to *preregister or* register to vote of *a person or* an elector who cancels his or her *preregistration or* registration, *as applicable*, after the expiration of 3 years after the date of cancellation.
 - **Sec. 67.** NRS 293.540 is hereby amended to read as follows:
- 30 293.540 1. The county clerk shall cancel the preregistration 31 of a person: 32 (a) If the county clerk has personal knowledge of the death of
 - (a) If the county clerk has personal knowledge of the death of the person or if an authenticated certificate of the death of the person is filed in the county clerk's office.
 - (b) At the request of the person.
- 36 (c) If the county clerk has discovered an incorrect 37 preregistration pursuant to the provisions of NRS 293.5235 and 38 the person has failed to respond within the required time.
 - (d) As required by NRS 293.541.
 - (e) Upon verification that the application to preregister to vote is a duplicate if the county clerk has the original or another duplicate of the application on file in the county clerk's office.
 - 2. The county clerk shall cancel the registration : of a person:



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[1.] (a) If the county clerk has personal knowledge of the death of the person [registered,] or if an authenticated certificate of the death of [any elector] the person is filed in the county clerk's office.

[2.] (b) If the county clerk is provided a certified copy of a court order stating that the court specifically finds by clear and convincing evidence that the person [registered] lacks the mental capacity to vote because he or she cannot communicate, with or without accommodations, a specific desire to participate in the voting process.

[3.] (c) Upon the determination that the person [registered] has been convicted of a felony unless:

[(a)] (1) If the person [registered] was convicted of a felony in this State, the right to vote of the person has been restored pursuant to the provisions of NRS 213.090, 213.155 or 213.157.

[(b)] (2) If the person [registered] was convicted of a felony in another state, the right to vote of the person has been restored pursuant to the laws of the state in which the person was convicted.

[4.] (d) Upon the production of a certified copy of the judgment of any court directing the cancellation to be made.

[5.] (e) Upon the request of any registered voter to affiliate with any political party or to change affiliation, if that change is made before the end of the last day to register to vote in the election.

[6.] (f) At the request of the person. [registered.

—7.] (g) If the county clerk has discovered an incorrect registration pursuant to the provisions of NRS 293.5235, 293.530 or 293.535 and the elector has failed to respond or appear to vote within the required time.

[8.] (h) As required by NRS 293.541.

[9.] (i) Upon verification that the application to register to vote is a duplicate if the county clerk has the original or another duplicate of the application on file in the county clerk's office.

Sec. 68. NRS 293.541 is hereby amended to read as follows:

293.541 1. The county clerk shall cancel the *preregistration* of a person or the registration of a voter if:

- (a) After consultation with the district attorney, the district attorney determines that there is probable cause to believe that information in the **[registration]** application to preregister or register to vote concerning the identity or residence of the person or voter is fraudulent;
- (b) The county clerk provides a notice as required pursuant to subsection 2 or executes an affidavit of cancellation pursuant to subsection 3; and
- (c) The *person or* voter fails to present satisfactory proof of identity and residence pursuant to subsection 2, 4 or 5.





- 2. Except as otherwise provided in subsection 3, the county clerk shall notify the *person or* voter by registered or certified mail, return receipt requested, of a determination made pursuant to subsection 1. The notice must set forth the grounds for cancellation. Unless the *person or* voter, within 15 days after the return receipt has been filed in the office of the county clerk, presents satisfactory proof of identity and residence to the county clerk, the county clerk shall cancel the *person's preregistration or the* voter's registration [1], as applicable.
- (a) File the affidavit of cancellation with the registrar of voters' register; and [:
- (a) In counties where records of registration are not kept by computer, the county clerk shall attach a copy of the affidavit of cancellation in the roster.
- (b) In counties where records of registration are kept by computer, the county clerk shall havel
- **(b) Have** the affidavit of cancellation printed on the computer entry for the registration and add a copy of it to the roster.
- 4. If a voter appears to vote at the election next following the date that an affidavit of cancellation was executed for the voter pursuant to this section, the voter must be allowed to vote only if the voter furnishes:
- (a) Official identification which contains a photograph of the voter, including, without limitation, a driver's license or other official document; and
- (b) Satisfactory identification that contains proof of the address at which the voter actually resides and that address is consistent with the address listed on the roster.
- 5. If a determination is made pursuant to subsection 1 concerning information in the registration to vote of a voter and an absent ballot or a ballot voted by a voter who resides in a mailing precinct is received from the voter, the ballot must be kept separate from other ballots and must not be counted unless the voter presents satisfactory proof to the county clerk of identity and residence before such ballots are counted on election day.
- 6. For the purposes of this section, a voter registration card issued pursuant to NRS 293.517 does not provide proof of the:
 - (a) Address at which a person actually resides; or
 - (b) Residence or identity of a person.
 - **Sec. 69.** NRS 293.543 is hereby amended to read as follows:
- 293.543 1. If the registration of an elector is cancelled pursuant to *paragraph* (b) of subsection 2 of NRS 293.540, the





county clerk shall reregister the elector upon notice from the clerk of the district court that the elector has been found by the district court to have the mental capacity to vote. The court must include the finding in a court order and, not later than 30 days after issuing the order, provide a certified copy of the order to the county clerk of the county in which the person is a resident and to the Office of the Secretary of State.

- 2. If the registration of an elector is cancelled pursuant to *paragraph* (c) of subsection [3] 2 of NRS 293.540, the elector may reregister after presenting satisfactory evidence which demonstrates that the elector's:
 - (a) Conviction has been overturned; or
 - (b) Civil rights have been restored:

- (1) If the elector was convicted in this State, pursuant to the provisions of NRS 213.090, 213.155 or 213.157.
- (2) If the elector was convicted in another state, pursuant to the laws of the state in which he or she was convicted.
- 3. If the registration of an elector is cancelled pursuant to the provisions of *paragraph* (e) of subsection [5] 2 of NRS 293.540, the elector may reregister immediately.
- 4. If the registration of an elector is cancelled pursuant to the provisions of *paragraph* (f) of subsection [6] 2 of NRS 293.540, after the close of registration for a primary election, the elector may not reregister until after the primary election.
 - **Sec. 70.** NRS 293.547 is hereby amended to read as follows:
- 293.547 1. After the 30th day but not later than the 25th day before any election, a written challenge may be filed with the county clerk
- 2. A registered voter may file a written challenge if:
 - (a) He or she is registered to vote in the same precinct as the person whose right to vote is challenged; and
 - (b) The challenge is based on the personal knowledge of the registered voter.
- 3. The challenge must be signed and verified by the registered voter and name the person whose right to vote is challenged and the ground of the challenge.
 - 4. A challenge filed pursuant to this section must not contain the name of more than one person whose right to vote is challenged. The county clerk shall not accept for filing any challenge which contains more than one such name.
 - 5. The county clerk shall:
 - (a) File the challenge in the registrar of voters' register and $\frac{1}{100}$
 - (1) In counties where records of registration are not kept by computer, he or she shall attach a copy of the challenge to the challenged registration in the roster.





- (2) In counties where records of registration are kept by computer, he or she shall have the challenge printed on the computer entry for the challenged registration and add a copy of it to the roster.
- (b) Within 5 days after a challenge is filed, mail a notice in the manner set forth in NRS 293.530 to the person whose right to vote has been challenged pursuant to this section informing the person of the challenge. If the person fails to respond or appear to vote within the required time, the county clerk shall cancel the person's registration. A copy of the challenge and information describing how to reregister properly must accompany the notice.
- (c) Immediately notify the district attorney. A copy of the challenge must accompany the notice.
- 6. Upon receipt of a notice pursuant to this section, the district attorney shall investigate the challenge within 14 days and, if appropriate, cause proceedings to be instituted and prosecuted in a court of competent jurisdiction without delay. The court shall give such proceedings priority over other civil matters that are not expressly given priority by law. Upon court order, the county clerk shall cancel the registration of the person whose right to vote has been challenged pursuant to this section.
 - **Sec. 71.** 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, *and sections 10 and 11 of this act*, registration must close on the third Tuesday preceding any primary or general election and on the third Saturday preceding any recall or special election, except that if a recall or special election is held on the same day as a primary or general election, registration must close on the third Tuesday preceding the day of the elections.
- 2. 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 registration is open. 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 before registration closes if approved by the board of county commissioners.
 - 3. 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 registration is open. 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 registration is open, according to the following schedule:
 - (1) On weekdays until 9 p.m.; and





- 1 (2) A minimum of 8 hours on Saturdays, Sundays and legal 2 holidays.
 - 4. 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. 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. For the period beginning on the fifth Sunday preceding any primary or general election and ending on the third Tuesday preceding any primary or general election, an elector may register to vote only:
 - (a) By appearing in person at the office of the county clerk or, if open, a county facility designated pursuant to NRS 293.5035; or
 - (b) By computer, using the system established by the Secretary of State pursuant to section 8 of this act or the system 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.
 - 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. 72.** NRS 293.563 is hereby amended to read as follows:
 - 293.563 1. During the interval between the closing of registration and the election, the county clerk shall prepare for [each]:
 - (a) Each polling place a roster containing the registered voters eligible to vote at the polling place.
 - (b) Each polling place designated pursuant to section 10 of this act a roster designated for electors who register to vote during the period for early voting pursuant to that section.





- (c) Each polling place designated pursuant to section 11 of this act a roster designated for electors who register to vote on the day of the election pursuant to that section.
- 2. The **[roster]** *rosters* must be delivered or caused to be delivered by the county or city clerk to an election board officer of the proper polling place before the opening of the polls.

Sec. 73. NRS 293.675 is hereby amended to read as follows:

- 293.675 1. The Secretary of State shall establish and maintain an official statewide voter registration list, which may be maintained on the Internet, in consultation with each county and city clerk
 - 2. The statewide voter registration list must:
 - (a) Be a uniform, centralized and interactive computerized list;
- (b) Serve as the single method for storing and managing the official list of registered voters in this State;
- (c) Serve as the official list of registered voters for the conduct of all elections in this State;
- (d) Contain the name and registration information of every legally registered voter in this State;
- (e) Include a unique identifier assigned by the Secretary of State to each legally registered voter in this State;
- (f) Except as otherwise provided in subsection 6, be coordinated with the appropriate databases of other agencies in this State;
- (g) Be electronically accessible to each state and local election official in this State at all times;
- (h) Except as otherwise provided in subsection 7, allow for data to be shared with other states under certain circumstances; and
- (i) Be regularly maintained to ensure the integrity of the registration process and the election process.
 - 3. Each county and city clerk shall:
- (a) [Electronically] 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 42 U.S.C. § [15483,] 21083, to verify the accuracy of information in an application to register to vote.
- 6. 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. 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. 74.** NRS 293.710 is hereby amended to read as follows:
- 293.710 1. It is unlawful for any person, in connection with any election, petition or *preregistration or* registration of voters, whether acting himself or herself or through another person in his or her behalf, to:
- (a) Use or threaten to use any force, intimidation, coercion, violence, restraint or undue influence;
- (b) Inflict or threaten to inflict any physical or mental injury, damage, harm or loss upon the person or property of another;
- (c) Expose or publish or threaten to expose or publish any fact concerning another in order to induce or compel such other to vote or refrain from voting for any candidate or any question;
- (d) Impede or prevent, by abduction, duress or fraudulent contrivance, the free exercise of the franchise by any voter, or thereby to compel, induce or prevail upon any elector to give or refrain from giving his or her vote; or
- (e) Discharge or change the place of employment of any employee with the intent to impede or prevent the free exercise of the franchise by such employee.
- 2. A person who violates a provision of this section is guilty of a category E felony and shall be punished as provided in NRS 193.130.





- **Sec. 75.** 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. 76.** 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]** *authorized* to vote, such person is guilty of a gross misdemeanor.
 - **Sec. 77.** NRS 293.800 is hereby amended to read as follows:
 - 293.800 1. A person who, for himself, herself or another person, willfully gives a false answer or answers to questions propounded to the person by the registrar or field registrar of voters relating to the information called for by the application to register to vote, or who willfully falsifies the application in any particular, or who violates any of the provisions of the election laws of this State or knowingly encourages another person to violate those laws is guilty of a category E felony and shall be punished as provided in NRS 193.130.
 - 2. A public officer or other person, upon whom any duty is imposed by this title, who willfully neglects his or her duty or





willfully performs it in such a way as to hinder the objects and purposes of the election laws of this State, except where another penalty is provided, is guilty of a category E felony and shall be punished as provided in NRS 193.130.

3. If the person is a public officer, his or her office is forfeited

upon conviction of any offense provided for in subsection 2.

4. [A] Except as otherwise provided in this subsection, a person who causes or endeavors to cause his or her name to be registered, knowing that he or she is not an elector or will not be an elector on or before the day of the next ensuing election in the precinct or district in which he or she causes or endeavors to cause the registration to be made, and any other person who induces, aids or abets the person in the commission of either of the acts is guilty of a category E felony and shall be punished as provided in NRS 193.130. The provisions of this subsection do not apply to a person who preregisters to vote.

5. A field registrar or other person who provides to an elector an application to register to vote and who:

(a) Knowingly falsifies the application or knowingly causes an application to be falsified;

(b) Knowingly provides money or other compensation to another for a falsified application; or

(c) Intentionally fails to submit to the county clerk a completed application,

is guilty of a category E felony and shall be punished as provided in NRS 193.130.

Sec. 78. NRS 293.805 is hereby amended to read as follows:

293.805 1. It is unlawful for a person to provide compensation for *preregistering or* registering voters that is based upon:

(a) The total number of *persons or* voters a person *preregisters* or registers; or

(b) The total number of *persons or* voters a person *preregisters or* registers in a particular political party.

2. A 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. 79. NRS 293.810 is hereby amended to read as follows:

293.810 It is unlawful for any person to be *preregistered to vote or* registered as a voter in more than one county at one time.

Sec. 80. Chapter 293C of NRS is hereby amended by adding thereto the provisions set forth as sections 81 and 82 of this act.

Sec. 81. 1. Except as otherwise provided in subsection 8, each city clerk shall designate one or more permanent polling





places for early voting by personal appearance in the city as a site for an elector of the city to register to vote.

- 2. An elector who is not registered to vote by the close of registration may register to vote during the period for early voting at any polling place designated pursuant to subsection 1 by the city clerk of the city where the elector resides.
- To register to vote during the period for early voting, an elector or a registered voter must:
- (a) Appear before the close of the polls at a polling place designated by the city clerk pursuant to subsection I as a site for registering to vote during the period for early voting;

(b) Complete the application to register to vote; and

- (c) Provide proof of his or her residence and identity as described in subsections 4 and 5.
 - The following forms of identification may be used:
 - (a) A driver's license:

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- (b) An identification card issued by the Department of Motor Vehicles:
 - (c) A military identification card; or
- (d) Any other form of identification issued by a governmental agency which contains the signature and a physical description or picture of the elector.
- 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 26 displayed on the document:
 - (a) Any form of identification set forth in subsection 4;
- (b) A utility bill, including, without limitation, a bill for 28 29 electric, gas, oil, water, sewer, septic, telephone, cellular telephone 30 or cable television service:
 - (c) A bank or credit union statement;
 - (d) A paycheck;
 - (e) An income tax return;
- 34 (f) A statement concerning the mortgage, rental or lease of a 35 residence:
 - (g) A motor vehicle registration;
 - (h) A property tax statement;
 - (i) Any other document issued by a governmental agency; or
 - (j) Any other official document which the city clerk or other person designated by the city clerk to accept applications to register to vote pursuant to this section determines, in his or her discretion, to be a reliable indication of the true residential address of the elector.
 - An elector who registers to vote pursuant to this section shall be deemed to be registered upon the completion of an





application to register to vote and the verification of his or her identity and residency.

- 7. An elector who registers to vote pursuant to this section:
- (a) May vote during the period for early voting only at the polling place for early voting at which the elector registers to vote; and
- (b) If the elector applies to vote at the polling place for early voting at which he or she registers to vote, must sign his or her name in a roster provided by the city clerk and designated for electors who register to vote pursuant to this section.
- 8. The provisions of this section do not apply to a city election in which all ballots must be cast by mail pursuant to NRS 293C.112.
- Sec. 82. 1. Except as otherwise provided in subsection 8, each city clerk shall:
- (a) Designate one or more polling places in the city as a site for an elector of the city to register to vote on the day of a primary city election or general city election.
- (b) Publish during the week before the election in a newspaper of general circulation a notice of the location of each polling place in the city that has been established pursuant to paragraph (a).
- (c) Post a list of the locations established pursuant to paragraph (a) 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 a reasonable quantity without charge.
- 2. An elector who is not registered to vote by the close of registration may register to vote on the day of the primary city election or general city election at any polling place designated pursuant to subsection 1 by the city clerk of the city where the elector resides.
- 3. To register to vote on the day of the primary city election or general city election, an elector must:
- (a) Appear before the close of the polls at a polling place designated by the city clerk pursuant to subsection 1 as a site for registering to vote on the day of the election;
 - (b) Complete the application to register to vote; and
- (c) Provide proof of his or her residence and identity as described in subsections 4 and 5.
- 4. The following forms of identification may be used to identify an elector applying to register to vote pursuant to this section:





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- (b) An identification card issued by the Department of Motor Vehicles:
 - (c) A military identification card; or
- (d) Any other form of identification issued by a governmental agency which contains the signature and a physical description or picture of the elector.
- 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) Any form of identification set forth in subsection 4;
- (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;
 - (i) Any other document issued by a governmental agency; or
- (i) Any other official document which the city clerk or other person designated by the city clerk to accept applications to register to vote pursuant to this section determines, in his or her discretion, to be a reliable indication of the true residential address of the elector.
- An elector who registers pursuant to this section shall be 30 deemed to be registered to vote upon the completion of an application to register to vote and the verification of his or her 31 32 identity and residency.
 - An elector who registers to vote pursuant to this section:
- 34 (a) May vote in the primary city election or general city 35 election only at the polling place at which the elector registers to vote or changes his or her address, as applicable; and 36
 - (b) If the elector applies to vote at the polling place at which he or she registers to vote, must sign his or her name in a roster designated for electors who register to vote pursuant to this section.
- The provisions of this section do not apply to a city election 41 42 in which all ballots must be cast by mail pursuant to NRS 293C.112. 43





- **Sec. 83.** 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.305 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 [;], and section 81 of this act;
- (2) Voting by absent ballot in person in a city election pursuant to NRS 293C.327; or
- 19 (3) Both early voting by personal appearance as described in subparagraph (1) and voting by absent ballot in person as described 21 in subparagraph (2).
 - 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 NRS 293C.265 to 293C.302, inclusive, and section 82 of this act, 293C.305 to 293C.340, inclusive, and 293C.355 to 293C.361, inclusive, and section 81 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.240 is hereby amended to read as follows:
 - 293C.240 1. When it appears to the satisfaction of the city clerk that an absent ballot central counting board will expedite the work of tallying the absent ballot vote of the city, the city clerk [may] shall appoint such a board. [If the city is located in a county that uses a computer to maintain records of registered voters, the county clerk shall appoint the board.]





2. In a city where an absent ballot central counting board has been appointed, no central election board may be appointed. The absent ballot central counting board shall perform the duties of the central election board.

Sec. 86. 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] a polling place [, as shown on the roster,] not designated pursuant to section 82 of this act as a site for an elector of the city to register to vote on the day of the election have been cast, as shown by the roster, the election board officers shall close the [polls] polling place, 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. 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. 87. 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, [or] if the person provides an affirmation pursuant to NRS 293C.525 [] or if the person registered to vote pursuant to section 82 of this act, the person is
- registered to vote pursuant to section 82 of this act, the person is entitled to vote and must sign his or her name in the roster 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.





Sec. 88. NRS 293C.272 is hereby amended to read as follows: 293C.272 1. If, because of physical limitations, a registered to rise unable to sign his or hor name in the rooter or required by

voter is unable to sign his or her name in the roster as required by NRS 293C.270, 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.
- 2. If the identity of the voter is verified, the election board officer shall indicate in the roster "Identified" by the voter's name.
 - **Sec. 89.** 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 and verify the signature of the voter in the manner set forth in NRS 293C.270.
- 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. 90.** 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 [his or her] a polling place [] at which he or she is entitled to vote.
- Sec. 91. NRS 293C.297 is hereby amended to read as follows: 293C.297 1. If at the hour of closing the polls there are any fregistered:
 - (a) Registered voters waiting to vote ; or
- (b) If the polling place has been designated pursuant to section 82 of this act as a site for an elector of the city to register to vote on the day of the election, 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 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 [...] or voter registration.
 - **Sec. 92.** NRS 293C.355 is hereby amended to read as follows:
- 293C.355 The provisions of NRS 293C.355 to 293C.361, inclusive, *and section 81 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. 93. NRS 293C.3564 is hereby amended to read as follows:
 - 293C.3564 1. The city clerk [may] shall establish at least one permanent polling [places] place for early voting by personal appearance in the city at the locations selected pursuant to NRS 293C.3561.
- 41 2. Any person entitled to vote early by personal appearance may do so at any polling place for early voting.





Sec. 94. NRS 293C.3585 is hereby amended to read as 2 follows:

293C.3585 1. Except as otherwise provided in NRS 293C.272, 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 [...] or the roster designated for electors who register to vote during the period for early voting pursuant to section 81 of this act.

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

- (d) Verify that the voter has not already voted in the current election. [pursuant to this section.]
- 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.
 - 4. The city 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 must contain:
 - (a) The voter's name, the address where he or she is registered to vote, his or her voter identification number, a facsimile of the signature of the voter that is from the original application to register to vote 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 city 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 293C.292.
- **Sec. 95.** NRS 293C.3604 is hereby amended to read as follows:
- 293C.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; {and}
- (4) The number of signatures in the roster for early voting for that day [...]; and
- (5) The number of signatures in the roster designated for electors who register to vote during early voting pursuant to section 81 of this act, if applicable.
 - (b) Secure:

- (1) The ballots pursuant to the plan for security required by NRS 293C.3594; and
- (2) Each mechanical voting device in the manner prescribed by the 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 storage device required pursuant to NRS 293B.084 from each mechanical recording device used during the period for early voting; and
 - (d) 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. 96. NRS 293C.389 is hereby amended to read as follows:

293C.389 The governing body of a city, a city clerk and any other person who prepares an abstract of votes or other report of votes pursuant to this chapter shall not include in that abstract or report a person designated as an inactive voter pursuant to paragraph (g) of subsection [7] I of NRS 293.530 when determining the percentage of voters who have voted or the total number of voters.

Sec. 97. NRS 293C.520 is hereby amended to read as follows:

293C.520 1. The city clerk may designate any building owned or leased by the city, or any portion of such a building, as a municipal facility at which *persons may preregister to vote or* electors may register to vote.

- 2. A municipal facility designated pursuant to subsection 1 must be operated as an auxiliary municipal facility at which **[voter]** *preregistration and* registration **[is]** *are* carried out in addition to being carried out at the office of the city clerk.
- 3. If the city clerk designates a municipal facility pursuant to subsection 1, the city clerk shall determine the hours of operation for the facility and shall, in cooperation with the Secretary of State, ensure that the facility is operated, staffed and equipped in compliance with all applicable provisions of this title and all other applicable provisions of state and federal law relating to the *preregistration of persons and* registration of electors in this State.

Sec. 98. 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, *and sections 81 and 82 of this act*, registration must close on the third Tuesday preceding any primary city election or general city election and on the third Saturday preceding any recall or special election, except that if a recall or special election is held on the same day as a primary city election or general city election, registration must close on the third Tuesday preceding the day of the elections.

- 2. 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 registration is open. 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.
 - 3. For a general 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 registration is open. 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

registration is open, 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.
- 4. 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.
- 5. For the period beginning on the fifth Sunday preceding any primary city election or general city election and ending on the third Tuesday preceding any primary city election or general city election, an elector may register to vote only:
- (a) By appearing in person at the office of the city clerk or, if open, a municipal facility designated pursuant to NRS 293C.520; or
- (b) By computer [,] using the system established by the Secretary of State pursuant to section 8 of this act or the system established by the county clerk of the county in which the city is located, 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.
- 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. 99.** 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] Except as otherwise provided in subsection 3, 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 city clerk shall prepare for each polling place designated pursuant to:
- (a) Section 81 of this act a roster designated for electors who register to vote during the period for early voting pursuant to that section.
- (b) Section 82 of this act a roster designated for electors who register to vote on the day of the city election pursuant to that section.
- 4. The rosters 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.] 5. The county clerk shall keep duplicate originals or copies of the applications to register to vote in the county clerk's office.
- **Sec. 100.** NRS 293C.540 is hereby amended to read as follows:
- 293C.540 Not later than 3 days before the day on which any regular or special city election is held, the county clerk shall deliver to the city clerk the official **register rosters** for the city.
- **Sec. 101.** 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 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 **frequired** *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. 102. 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 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, subsection 1 of NRS 293C.312, NRS 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. 103.** NRS 293D.200 is hereby amended to read as follows:
- 293D.200 1. The Secretary of State shall make available to covered voters information regarding voter registration procedures for covered voters and procedures for casting military-overseas ballots.
- 2. The Secretary of State shall establish a system of approved electronic transmission through which covered voters may apply for, receive and send documents and other information pursuant to this chapter. The system of approved electronic transmission must include, without limitation, a method by which a covered voter may provide his or her digital signature or electronic signature on any document or other material that is necessary for the covered voter to register to vote, apply for a military-overseas ballot or cast a military-overseas ballot pursuant to this chapter.
- 3. The Secretary of State shall develop standardized absenteevoting materials, including, without limitation, privacy and transmission envelopes and their electronic equivalents, authentication materials and voting instructions, to be used with the military-overseas ballot of a covered voter authorized to vote in any





jurisdiction in this State and, to the extent reasonably possible, shall do so in coordination with other states.

- 4. The Secretary of State shall prescribe the form and content of a declaration for use by a covered voter to swear or affirm specific representations pertaining to the covered voter's identity, eligibility to vote, status as a covered voter and timely and proper completion of a military-overseas ballot. The declaration must be based on the declaration prescribed to accompany a federal write-in absentee ballot under section 103 of the Uniformed and Overseas Citizens Absentee Voting Act, [42] 52 U.S.C. § [1973ff-2,] 20303 as modified to be consistent with this chapter. The Secretary of State shall ensure that a form for the execution of the declaration, including an indication of the date of execution of the declaration is a prominent part of all balloting materials for which the declaration is required.
- 5. The Secretary of State shall prescribe by regulation the duties of a local elections official upon receipt of a military-overseas ballot, including, without limitation, the procedures to be used by a local elections official in accepting, handling and counting a military-overseas ballot.
- 6. The Secretary of State shall prescribe the form and content of an application for a United States citizen who is outside the United States to preregister to vote if:
- (a) The person would have been able to preregister to vote pursuant to section 9 of this act except for the residency requirement; and
- (b) The last place where a parent or legal guardian of the person was, or under this chapter would have been, eligible to vote before leaving the United States is within this State.
- **Sec. 104.** NRS 293D.210 is hereby amended to read as follows:
 - 293D.210 An overseas voter is eligible to be a covered voter if:
- 1. Before leaving the United States, the overseas voter was eligible to vote in this State and, except for the residency requirement, otherwise satisfies this State's voter eligibility requirements;
- 2. Before leaving the United States, the overseas voter would have been eligible to vote in this State had the overseas voter then been of voting age and, except for the residency requirement, otherwise satisfies this State's voter eligibility requirements; [or]
- 3. [Was] Before leaving the United States, the overseas voter was preregistered to vote as described in section 9 of this act and, except for the residency requirement, otherwise satisfies this State's voter eligibility requirements; or





4. The overseas voter was born outside the United States and, except for the residency requirement, otherwise satisfies the voter eligibility requirements set forth in NRS 293.485, so long as:

(a) The last place where a parent or legal guardian of the overseas voter was, or under this chapter would have been, eligible to vote before leaving the United States is within this State; and

(b) The overseas voter is not registered to vote in any other state.

9 **Sec. 105.** NRS 239.010 is hereby amended to read as follows: 10 239.010 1. Except as otherwise provided in this section and NRS 1.4683, 1.4687, ÎA.110, 41.071, 49.095, 62D.420, 62D.440, 11 62E.516, 62E.620, 62H.025, 62H.030, 62H.170, 62H.220, 62H.320, 12 13 75A.100, 75A.150, 76.160, 78.152, 80.113, 81.850, 82.183, 86.246, 14 86.54615, 87.515, 87.5413, 87A.200, 87A.580, 87A.640, 88.3355, 15 88.5927, 88.6067, 88A.345, 88A.7345, 89.045, 89.251, 90.730, 16 91.160, 116.757, 116A.270, 116B.880, 118B.026, 119.260, 119.265, 119.267, 119.280, 119A.280, 119A.653, 119B.370, 17 18 119B.382, 120A.690, 125.130, 125B.140, 126.141, 126.161, 19 126.163, 126.730, 127.007, 127.057, 127.130, 127.140, 127.2817, 130.312, 130.712, 136.050, 159.044, 172.075, 172.245, 176.015, 20 21 176.0625, 176.09129, 176.156, 176A.630, 178.39801, 178.4715, 178.5691, 179.495, 179A.070, 179A.165, 179A.450, 179D.160, 22 200.3771, 200.3772, 200.5095, 200.604, 202.3662, 205.4651, 23 209.392, 209.3925, 209.419, 209.521, 211A.140, 213.010, 213.040, 24 213.095, 213.131, 217.105, 217.110, 217.464, 217.475, 218A.350, 25 218E.625, 218F.150, 218G.130, 218G.240, 218G.350, 228.270, 26 228.450, 228.495, 228.570, 231.069, 231.1473, 233.190, 237.300, 27 239.0105, 239.0113, 239B.030, 239B.040, 239B.050, 239C.140, 28 29 239C.210, 239C.230, 239C.250, 239C.270, 240.007, 241.020, 241.030, 241.039, 242.105, 244.264, 244.335, 250.087, 250.130, 30 250.140, 250.150, 268.095, 268.490, 268.910, 271A.105, 281.195, 31 32 281A.350, 281A.440, 281A.550, 284.4068, 286.110, 287.0438, 289.025, 289.080, 289.387, 289.830, 293.5002, 293.503, 293.558, 33 293B.135, 293D.510, 331.110, 332.061, 332.351, 333.333, 333.335, 34 338.070, 338.1379, 338.16925, 338.1725, 338.1727, 348.420, 35 349.597, 349.775, 353.205, 353A.049, 353A.085, 353A.100, 353C.240, 360.240, 360.247, 360.255, 360.755, 361.044, 361.610, 36 37 365.138, 366.160, 368A.180, 372A.080, 378.290, 378.300, 379.008, 38 385A.830, 385B.100, 387.626, 387.631, 388.1455, 39 388.501, 388.503, 388.513, 388.750, 391.035, 392.029, 392.147, 40 392.264, 392.271, 392.850, 394.167, 394.1698, 394.447, 394.460, 41 394.465, 396.3295, 396.405, 396.525, 396.535, 398.403, 408.3885, 42 408.3886, 408.3888, 408.5484, 412.153, 416.070, 422.2749, 43 422.305, 422A.342, 422A.350, 425.400, 427A.1236, 427A.872, 44 45 432.205, 432B.175, 432B.280, 432B.290, 432B.407, 432B.430,



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- 2. A governmental entity may not reject a book or record which is copyrighted solely because it is copyrighted.
- 3. A governmental entity that has legal custody or control of a public book or record shall not deny a request made pursuant to subsection 1 to inspect or copy or receive a copy of a public book or record on the basis that the requested public book or record contains information that is confidential if the governmental entity can redact, delete, conceal or separate the confidential information from the information included in the public book or record that is not otherwise confidential.
- 4. A person may request a copy of a public record in any medium in which the public record is readily available. An officer, employee or agent of a governmental entity who has legal custody or control of a public record:
- (a) Shall not refuse to provide a copy of that public record in a readily available medium because the officer, employee or agent has already prepared or would prefer to provide the copy in a different medium.
- (b) Except as otherwise provided in NRS 239.030, shall, upon request, prepare the copy of the public record and shall not require the person who has requested the copy to prepare the copy himself or herself.
- **Sec. 106.** NRS 483.290 is hereby amended to read as follows: 483.290 1. An application for an instruction permit or for a driver's license must:
 - (a) Be made upon a form furnished by the Department.
- (b) Be verified by the applicant before a person authorized to administer oaths. Officers and employees of the Department may administer those oaths without charge.
 - (c) Be accompanied by the required fee.
- (d) State the full legal name, date of birth, sex, address of principal residence and mailing address, if different from the address of principal residence, of the applicant and briefly describe the applicant.
- (e) State whether the applicant has theretofore been licensed as a driver, and, if so, when and by what state or country, and whether any such license has ever been suspended or revoked, or whether an application has ever been refused, and, if so, the date of and reason for the suspension, revocation or refusal.
- (f) Include such other information as the Department may require to determine the competency and eligibility of the applicant.
- 2. Every applicant must furnish proof of his or her full legal name and age by displaying:
- (a) An original or certified copy of the required documents as prescribed by regulation; or





- (b) A photo identification card issued by the Department of Corrections pursuant to NRS 209.511.
- 3. The Department shall adopt regulations prescribing the documents an applicant may use to furnish proof of his or her full legal name and age to the Department pursuant to paragraph (a) of subsection 2.
- 4. At the time of applying for a driver's license, an applicant may, if eligible, *preregister or* register to vote pursuant to NRS 293.524 !! or section 4 of this act.
- 5. Every applicant who has been assigned a social security number must furnish proof of his or her social security number by displaying:
- (a) An original card issued to the applicant by the Social Security Administration bearing the social security number of the applicant; or
- (b) Other proof acceptable to the Department, including, without limitation, records of employment or federal income tax returns.
- 6. The Department may refuse to accept a driver's license issued by another state, the District of Columbia or any territory of the United States if the Department determines that the other state, the District of Columbia or the territory of the United States has less stringent standards than the State of Nevada for the issuance of a driver's license.
- 7. With respect to any document presented by a person who was born outside of the United States to prove his or her full legal name and age, the Department:
- (a) May, if the document has expired, refuse to accept the document or refuse to issue a driver's license to the person presenting the document, or both; and
- (b) Shall issue to the person presenting the document a driver's license that is valid only during the time the applicant is authorized to stay in the United States, or if there is no definite end to the time the applicant is authorized to stay, the driver's license is valid for 1 year beginning on the date of issuance.
- 8. The Administrator shall adopt regulations setting forth criteria pursuant to which the Department will issue or refuse to issue a driver's license in accordance with this section to a person who is a citizen of any state, the District of Columbia, any territory of the United States or a foreign country. The criteria pursuant to which the Department shall issue or refuse to issue a driver's license to a citizen of a foreign country must be based upon the purpose for which that person is present within the United States.
- 9. Notwithstanding any other provision of this section, the Department shall not accept a consular identification card as proof of the age or identity of an applicant for an instruction permit or for





a driver's license. As used in this subsection, "consular identification card" has the meaning ascribed to it in NRS 232.006.

Sec. 107. NRS 483.850 is hereby amended to read as follows:

- 483.850 1. Every application for an identification card must be made upon a form provided by the Department and include, without limitation:
 - (a) The applicant's:

- (1) Full legal name.
- (2) Date of birth.
- (3) State of legal residence.
- (4) Current address of principal residence and mailing address, if different from his or her address of principal residence, in this State, unless the applicant is on active duty in the military service of the United States.
 - (b) A statement from:
- (1) A resident stating that he or she does not hold a valid driver's license or identification card from any state or jurisdiction; or
- (2) A seasonal resident stating that he or she does not hold a valid Nevada driver's license.
- 2. When the form is completed, the applicant must sign the form and verify the contents before a person authorized to administer oaths
- 3. An applicant who has been issued a social security number must provide to the Department for inspection:
- (a) An original card issued to the applicant by the Social Security Administration bearing the social security number of the applicant; or
- (b) Other proof acceptable to the Department bearing the social security number of the applicant, including, without limitation, records of employment or federal income tax returns.
- 4. At the time of applying for an identification card, an applicant may, if eligible, *preregister or* register to vote pursuant to NRS 293.524 H or section 4 of this act.
- 5. A person who possesses a driver's license or identification card issued by another state or jurisdiction who wishes to apply for an identification card pursuant to this section shall surrender to the Department the driver's license or identification card issued by the other state or jurisdiction at the time the person applies for an identification card pursuant to this section.
- **Sec. 108.** Section 2 of this act is hereby amended to read as follows:
 - Sec. 2. 1. The Secretary of State, each county clerk and each voter registration agency other than the Department of Motor Vehicles shall cooperatively establish





a system by which voter registration information that is collected pursuant to section 4 of this act by the agency from a person who, in person, applies for or receives services or assistance at an office of the agency must be transmitted electronically to the Secretary of State and the county clerks for the purpose of preregistering or registering the person to vote or updating the voter registration information of the person.

- 2. The Secretary of State, the Department of Motor Vehicles and each county clerk shall cooperatively establish a system by which voter registration information that is collected pursuant to section 4 of this act by the Department from a person who submits an application for the issuance or renewal of or change of address for any type of driver's license or identification card issued by the Department must be transmitted electronically to the Secretary of State and the county clerks for the purpose of preregistering or registering the person to vote or updating the voter registration information of the person.
- [2.] 3. The [system] systems established pursuant to [subsection] subsections 1 and 2 must:
- (a) Ensure the secure electronic storage of information collected pursuant to section 4 of this act, the secure transmission of such information to the Secretary of State and county clerks and the secure electronic storage of such information by the Secretary of State and county clerks;
- (b) Provide for the destruction of records by **[the Department]** a voter registration agency as required by subsection 2 of section 5 of this act; and
- (c) Enable the county clerks to receive, view and collate the information into individual electronic documents pursuant to paragraph (c) of subsection 1 of section 6 of this act.
- **Sec. 109.** Section 3 of this act is hereby amended to read as follows:
 - Sec. 3. 1. Each voter registration agency other than the Department of Motor Vehicles shall follow the procedures described in this section and sections 4 and 5 of this act if a person, in person, applies for or receives services or assistance at an office of the agency, services or assistance from the agency.
 - 2. The Department of Motor Vehicles shall follow the procedures described in this section and sections 4 and 5 of this act if a person applies to the Department for the issuance or renewal of or change of address for any type of driver's license or identification card issued by the Department.





- [2.] 3. Before concluding the person's transaction with the [Department, the Department] voter registration agency, the agency shall notify each person described in [subsection 1:] subsection 1 or 2, as applicable:
- (a) Of the qualifications to preregister to vote, as provided in section 9 of this act, or the qualifications to vote in this State, as provided in NRS 293.485;
- (b) That, unless the person affirmatively declines in writing to apply to preregister or register to vote or have his or her voter registration information updated, as applicable:
- (1) The person is deemed to have consented to the transmission of information to the Secretary of State and the county clerks for the purpose of preregistering or registering the person to vote or updating the voter registration information of the person; and
- (2) The **Department** agency will transmit to the county clerk of the county in which the person resides all information required to preregister or register the person to vote pursuant to this chapter or to update the voter registration information of the person;
 - (c) That:

- (1) Indicating a political party affiliation or indicating that the person is not affiliated with a political party is voluntary;
- (2) The person may indicate a political party affiliation on a paper or electronic form provided by the [Department;] agency; and
- (3) The person will not be able to vote at a primary election or primary city election for candidates for partisan office of a major political party unless the person updates his or her voter registration information to indicate a major political party affiliation; and
- (d) Of the provisions of subsections 2 and 3 of section 7 of this act.
- [3.] 4. The failure or refusal of the person to acknowledge that he or she has received the notice required by subsection [2:] 3:
- (a) Is not a declination by the person to apply to preregister or register to vote or have his or her voter registration information updated; and
- (b) Shall not be deemed to affect any duty of the **Department,** voter registration agency, the Secretary of State or any county clerk:
- (1) Relating to the application of the person to preregister or register to vote; or





(2) To update the voter registration information of the 1 2 person. 3 [4.] 5. The Secretary of State: 4 (a) Shall prescribe by regulation the form of the notice 5 required by subsection $\frac{12}{12}$ and the procedure for providing 6 such notice: and 7 (b) Shall not require the person to acknowledge that he or 8 she has received the notice required by subsection $\frac{2}{2}$.

Section 4 of this act is hereby amended to read as follows:

- Sec. 4. 1. Unless the person affirmatively declines in writing to apply to preregister or register to vote or have his or her voter registration information updated, as applicable, except as otherwise provided in subsection 2, if a person, in person, applies to the Department of Motor Vehicles for the issuance or renewal of or change of address for a driver's license or identification card issued by the Department, the Department for or receives services or assistance from a voter registration agency, the agency shall collect from the person:
- (a) A paper or electronic affirmation signed under penalty of perjury that the person is eligible to vote or preregister to vote, as applicable;
- (b) An electronic facsimile of the signature of the person, if the [Department] agency is capable of recording, storing and transmitting to the county clerk an electronic facsimile of the signature:
- (c) Any personal information which the person has not already provided to the **Department** agency and which is required for the person to preregister or register to vote or to update the voter registration information of the person, including:
- (1) The first or given name and the surname of the person;
- (2) The address at which the person actually resides as set forth in NRS 293.486 and, if different, the address at which the person may receive mail, including, without limitation, a post office box or general delivery;
 - (3) The date of birth of the person;
- (4) Except as otherwise provided in subsection [2,] 3, one of the following:
- (I) The number indicated on the person's current and valid driver's license or identification card issued by the Department of Motor Vehicles, if the person has such a driver's license or identification card; or



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- (II) The last four digits of the person's social security number, if the person does not have a driver's license or identification card issued by the Department *of Motor Vehicles* and has a social security number; and
- (5) The political affiliation, if any, indicated by the person; and
- (d) The paper or electronic form, if any, completed by the person and indicating his or her political party affiliation.
- 2. The Department of Motor Vehicles is only required to collect the information described in subsection 1 if a person applies to the Department for the issuance or renewal of or change of address for any type of driver's license or identification card.
- 3. If the person does not have the identification described in subparagraph (4) of paragraph (c) of subsection 1, the person must sign an affidavit stating that he or she does not have a current and valid driver's license or identification card issued by the Department of Motor Vehicles or a social security number. Upon receipt of the affidavit, the county clerk shall issue an identification number to the person which must be the same number as the unique identifier assigned to the person for purposes of the statewide voter registration list.
- **Sec. 111.** Section 5 of this act is hereby amended to read as follows:
 - Sec. 5. 1. Except as otherwise provided in this subsection, [the Department of Motor Vehicles] each voter registration agency shall electronically transmit to the Secretary of State and the appropriate county clerk the information and any electronic documents collected from a person pursuant to section 4 of this act:
 - (a) Except as otherwise provided in paragraph (b), not later than 5 working days after collecting the information; and
 - (b) During the 2 weeks immediately preceding the fifth Sunday preceding an election, not later than 1 working day after collecting the information.
 - 2. [The Department] A voter registration agency shall destroy any record containing information collected pursuant to section 4 of this act that is not otherwise collected by the [Department] agency in the normal course of business immediately after transmitting the information to the Secretary of State and county clerk pursuant to subsection 1.
 - 3. [The Department] A voter registration agency shall forward the following paper documents on a weekly basis to the appropriate county clerk, or daily during the 2 weeks





immediately preceding the fifth Sunday preceding an election:

(a) Each signed affirmation collected pursuant to paragraph (a) of subsection 1 of section 4 of this act;

- (b) Any completed form indicating a political party affiliation collected pursuant to paragraph (d) of subsection 1 of section 4 of this act; and
- (c) Any affidavit signed pursuant to subsection 2 of section 4 of this act.

Sec. 112. Section 6 of this act is hereby amended to read as follows:

- Sec. 6. 1. Unless the person affirmatively declines in writing to apply to preregister or register to vote or have his or her voter registration information updated, as applicable: [, if a person applies to the Department of Motor Vehicles for the issuance or renewal of or change of address for any type of driver's license or identification card issued by the Department:]
- (a) The person shall be deemed an applicant to preregister or register to vote.
- (b) Any action taken by the person pursuant to section 4 of this act shall be deemed an act of applying to preregister or register to vote, as applicable.
- (c) Upon receipt of the information collected from the person and transmitted to a county clerk by [the Department of Motor Vehicles,] a voter registration agency, the county clerk shall collate the information into an individual electronic document, which shall be deemed an application to preregister or register to vote, as applicable.
- (d) Unless the applicant is already preregistered or registered to vote, the date on which the person applies to preregister or register to vote pursuant to section 4 of this act shall be deemed the date on which the applicant preregistered or registered to vote, as applicable.
- 2. If the county clerk determines that the an application to register to vote is complete and that the applicant is eligible to vote pursuant to NRS 293.485, the name of the applicant must appear on the statewide voter registration list and the appropriate roster, and the person must be provided all sample ballots and any other voter information provided to registered voters. If the county clerk determines that the applicant is not complete, he or she shall notify the applicant that additional information is required in accordance with the provisions of NRS 293.524.



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- 3. For each applicant who applies to preregister or register to vote pursuant to section 4 of this act:
- (a) The electronic facsimile of the signature of the applicant shall be deemed to be the facsimile of the signature on the person's application to register to vote to be used to verify the signature of the voter in the manner set forth in NRS 293.277 if:
- (1) An electronic facsimile of the signature has been collected and transmitted to the county clerk of the county in which the applicant resides pursuant to sections 4 and 5 of this act, respectively; and
- (2) The county clerk is capable of receiving, storing and using the facsimile of the signature for that purpose; or
- (b) If the conditions described in paragraph (a) are not met, the signature of the applicant on the affirmation signed pursuant to paragraph (a) of subsection 1 of section 4 of this act shall be deemed to be the signature on the person's application to preregister or register to vote for the purpose of making a facsimile thereof to be used to verify the signature of the voter in the manner set forth in NRS 293.277.
- 4. If an applicant is already preregistered or registered to vote, the county clerk shall use the voter registration information of the applicant transmitted by [the Department of Motor Vehicles] a voter registration agency to update the applicant's preregistration information or to correct the statewide voter registration list pursuant to NRS 293.530, if necessary.
- **Sec. 113.** Section 7 of this act is hereby amended to read as follows:
 - Sec. 7. 1. A person who affirmatively declines in writing to apply to preregister or register to vote or have his or her voter registration information updated, as applicable, pursuant to section 4 of this act may apply to preregister or register to vote at [the Department of Motor Vehicles] a voter registration agency pursuant to NRS 293.524.
 - 2. Whether a person applies to preregister or register to vote or have his or her voter registration information updated, as applicable, pursuant to section 4 of this act must not affect the provision of services or assistance to the person by [the Department,] a voter registration agency, and the fact of a person applying to preregister or register to vote or have his or her voter registration information updated, as applicable, pursuant to section 4 of this act or declining to do so must not be disclosed to the public.





3. Any information collected pursuant to sections 2 to 7, inclusive, of this act must not be used for any purpose other than voter preregistration or registration.

- 4. Except as otherwise provided in this subsection, the Secretary of State shall adopt regulations necessary to carry out the provisions of sections 2 to 7, inclusive, of this act. The Secretary of State shall not require a person to provide any documentation in order to apply to preregister or register to vote or have his or her voter registration information updated, as applicable, pursuant to section 4 of this act that is not required by section 4 of this act or federal law, including, without limitation, documentation to provide the person's identity, citizenship or residence.
- **Sec. 114.** The provisions of NRS 354.599 do not apply to any additional expense of a local government that are related to the provisions of this act.
- **Sec. 115.** 1. This section and sections 1 to 45, inclusive, 47 to 61, inclusive, 63 to 107, inclusive, and 114 of this act become effective:
- (a) Upon passage and approval for the purpose of adopting regulations and performing any other preparatory administrative tasks necessary to carry out the provisions of this act; and
 - (b) On January 1, 2018, for all other purposes.
- 2. Sections 46, 62 and 108 to 113, inclusive, of this act, become effective:
- (a) Upon passage and approval for the purpose of adopting regulations and performing any other preparatory administrative tasks necessary to carry out the provisions of this act; and
 - (b) On January 1, 2019, for all other purposes.





