

SENATE BILL NO. 492—COMMITTEE ON  
LEGISLATIVE OPERATIONS AND ELECTIONS

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Referred to Committee on Legislative Operations and Elections

SUMMARY—Revises provisions relating to elections.  
(BDR 24-450)FISCAL NOTE: Effect on Local Government: May have Fiscal Impact.  
Effect on the State: No.CONTAINS UNFUNDED MANDATE (§§ 1, 11.4, 11.6, 15.51, 15.6, 15.8)  
(REQUESTED BY AFFECTED LOCAL GOVERNMENT)

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

AN ACT relating to elections; requiring, under certain circumstances, county and city clerks to establish polling places within the boundaries of Indian reservations and Indian colonies; authorizing voting materials to be provided in certain languages; authorizing a voter to sign a signature card rather than a roster; and providing other matters properly relating thereto.

**Legislative Counsel's Digest:**

1       **Sections 1 and 15.51** of this bill require, under certain circumstances, county  
2 and city clerks, respectively, to establish at least one polling place for the day of a  
3 primary election, general election, primary city election or general city election, as  
4 applicable, within the boundaries of an Indian reservation or Indian colony at a  
5 location or locations approved by the Indian tribe.

6       Existing law generally requires a voter to sign his or her name in a roster when  
7 the voter applies to vote in person. (NRS 293.277, 293.285, 293C.270, 293C.275)  
8       **Sections 9, 9.5, 10, 11.8, 11.9, 15, 15.53, 15.54, 15.55, 15.85 and 15.9** of this bill  
9 allow a person to sign a signature card rather than a roster.

10      Existing law requires voting materials to be provided in English and any other  
11 languages necessary to be in compliance with federal law. (NRS 293.2699) **Section**  
12 **8.5** of this bill authorizes the county or city clerk to provide voting materials in  
13 additional languages if the clerk determines that there is significant and substantial  
14 need for such.

15      Existing law authorizes a county or city clerk to establish permanent polling  
16 places for early voting by personal appearance. (NRS 293.3564, 293C.3564)  
17       **Sections 11.4 and 15.6** of this bill require a county or city clerk to establish at least



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18 one permanent polling place for early voting. **Sections 11.6 and 15.8** of this bill  
19 require, under certain circumstances, a county or city clerk to establish at least one  
20 temporary polling place for early voting within the boundaries of an Indian  
21 reservation or Indian colony.

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

1       **Section 1.** Chapter 293 of NRS is hereby amended by adding  
2 thereto a new section to read as follows:

*1. If an Indian reservation or Indian colony is located in whole or in part within a county, the Indian tribe may submit a request to the county clerk for the establishment of a polling place within the boundaries of the Indian reservation or Indian colony for the day of a primary election or general election.*

2. *A request for the establishment of a polling place within the boundaries of an Indian reservation or Indian colony for the day of a primary election or general election:*

(a) Must be submitted to the county clerk by the Indian tribe on or before:

*(I) If the request is for a primary election, the first Friday in January of the year in which the primary election is to be held.*

(2) If the request is for a general election, the first Friday in July of the year in which the general election is to be held.

(b) May include one or more proposed locations within the boundaries of the Indian reservation or Indian colony for the polling place. Any proposed location must satisfy the criteria the county clerk uses for the establishment of any other polling place.

3. Except as otherwise provided in this subsection, if the county clerk receives a request that satisfies the requirements set forth in subsection 2, the county clerk must establish at least one polling place within the boundaries of the Indian reservation or Indian colony at a location or locations, as applicable, approved by the Indian tribe for the day of a primary election or general election. The county clerk is not required to establish a polling place within the boundaries of an Indian reservation or Indian colony for the day of a primary election or general election if the county clerk established a temporary branch polling place for early voting pursuant to NRS 293.3572 within the boundaries of the Indian reservation or Indian colony for the same election.

**Sec. 2. (Deleted by amendment.)**

**Sec. 2.** (Deleted by amendment.)

**Sec. 4. (Deleted by amendment.)**

**Sec. 5.** (Deleted by amendment.)



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1      **Sec. 6.** (Deleted by amendment.)  
2      **Sec. 7.** (Deleted by amendment.)  
3      **Sec. 7.5.** (Deleted by amendment.)  
4      **Sec. 8.** (Deleted by amendment.)

5      **Sec. 8.5.** NRS 293.2699 is hereby amended to read as follows:  
6      293.2699 1. Each voting system used by a county or city  
7 shall provide voting materials in :

8      (a) English ~~and other languages~~; and  
9      (b) *Every language in which voting materials are required to*  
10     *be prepared in* ~~compliance with the provisions of 42 U.S.C. §~~  
11     ~~1973aa-1a.] the county or city pursuant to 52 U.S.C. § 10503.~~

12     2. *In addition to the requirements set forth in subsection 1, if*  
13     *a county clerk or city clerk determines that there is a significant*  
14     *and substantial need for voting materials of the county or city, as*  
15     *applicable, to be provided in the language or languages of a*  
16     *minority group, the county clerk or city clerk may prepare voting*  
17     *materials in such language or languages. For the purposes of this*  
18     *subsection, there is a significant and substantial need for voting*  
19     *materials to be provided in the language or languages of a*  
20     *minority group if, without limitation, the minority group has been*  
21     *subject to historical discrimination and unequal educational*  
22     *opportunities, and, as a result, members of the minority group are*  
23     *of limited-English proficiency.*

24     3. As used in this section ~~the term "voting~~ :  
25     (a) *"Limited-English proficiency" means being unable to*  
26     *speak or understand English adequately to participate in the*  
27     *electoral process.*

28     (b) *"Minority group" includes, without limitation, United*  
29     *States citizens of Chinese heritage.*

30     (c) *"Voting materials" has the meaning ascribed to it in* ~~42~~ **52**  
31     **U.S.C. § 10503.**

32     **Sec. 9.** NRS 293.277 is hereby amended to read as follows:  
33     293.277 1. Except as otherwise provided in NRS 293.283  
34     and 293.541, if a person's name appears in the roster or if the person  
35     provides an affirmation pursuant to NRS 293.525, the person is  
36     entitled to vote and must sign his or her name in the roster **or on a**  
37     **signature card** when he or she applies to vote. The signature must  
38     be compared by an election board officer with the signature or a  
39     facsimile thereof on the person's application to register to vote or  
40     one of the forms of identification listed in subsection 2.

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

44     (a) The card issued to the voter at the time he or she registered  
45     to vote;



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1        (b) A driver's license;  
2        (c) An identification card issued by the Department of Motor  
3 Vehicles;  
4        (d) A military identification card; or  
5        (e) Any other form of identification issued by a governmental  
6 agency which contains the voter's signature and physical description  
7 or picture.

8        **Sec. 9.5.** NRS 293.283 is hereby amended to read as follows:

9        293.283 1. If, because of physical limitations, a registered  
10 voter is unable to sign his or her name in the roster **or on a**  
11 **signature card** as required by NRS 293.277, the voter must be  
12 identified by:

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

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

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

21        2. If the identity of the voter is verified, the election board  
22 officer shall indicate in the roster "Identified" by the voter's name.

23        **Sec. 10.** NRS 293.285 is hereby amended to read as follows:

24        293.285 1. Except as otherwise provided in NRS 293.283, a  
25 registered voter applying to vote shall state his or her name to the  
26 election board officer in charge of the roster, and the officer shall  
27 immediately announce the name, instruct the voter to sign the roster  
28 **hand or signature card**, verify the signature of the voter in the  
29 manner set forth in NRS 293.277.

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

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

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

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

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

44        **Sec. 11.** (Deleted by amendment.)

45        **Sec. 11.2.** (Deleted by amendment.)



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**Sec. 11.4.** 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.~~

~~2. Except as otherwise provided in subsection 3, any~~

2. Any person entitled to vote early by personal appearance may do so at any polling place for early voting.

13. 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 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. 11.6.** NRS 293.3572 is hereby amended to read as follows:

clerk may establish temporary branch polling places for early voting which may include, without limitation, the clerk's office pursuant to NRS 293.3561.

*3. A request for the establishment of a temporary branch polling place for early voting within the boundaries of the Indian reservation or Indian colony:*

*(a) Must be submitted to the county clerk by the Indian tribe on or before:*

**(1) If the request is for a primary election, the first Friday in January of the year in which the general election is to be held.**

(2) If the request is for a general election, the first Friday in July of the year in which the general election is to be held.

(b) May include one or more proposed locations within the boundaries of the Indian reservation or Indian colony for the temporary branch polling place and proposed hours of operation thereof. Any proposed location must satisfy the criteria established by the county clerk for the selection of temporary branch polling places pursuant to NRS 293.3561.



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1       4. Except as otherwise provided in this subsection, if the  
2 county clerk receives a request that satisfies the requirements set  
3 forth in subsection 3, the county clerk must establish at least one  
4 temporary branch polling place for early voting within the  
5 boundaries of the Indian reservation or Indian colony. The  
6 location and hours of operation of such a temporary branch  
7 polling place for early voting must be approved by the Indian tribe.  
8 The county clerk is not required to establish a temporary branch  
9 polling place within the boundaries of the Indian reservation or  
10 Indian colony if the county clerk determines that it is not  
11 logistically feasible to establish a temporary branch polling place  
12 within the boundaries of the Indian reservation or Indian colony.

13       5. The provisions of subsection 3 of NRS 293.3568 do not  
14 apply to a temporary **branch** polling place. Voting at a temporary  
15 branch polling place may be conducted on any one or more days and  
16 during any hours within the period for early voting by personal  
17 appearance, as determined by the county clerk.

18       ~~6.~~ 6. The schedules for conducting voting are not required to  
19 be uniform among the temporary branch polling places.

20       ~~7.~~ 7. The legal rights and remedies which inure to the owner  
21 or lessor of private property are not impaired or otherwise affected  
22 by the leasing of the property for use as a temporary branch polling  
23 place for early voting, except to the extent necessary to conduct  
24 early voting at that location.

25       Sec. 11.8. NRS 293.3585 is hereby amended to read as  
26 follows:

27       293.3585 1. Except as otherwise provided in NRS 293.283,  
28 upon the appearance of a person to cast a ballot for early voting, an  
29 election board officer shall:

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

31           (b) Instruct the voter to sign the roster for early voting ~~H~~ or a  
32 **signature card**.

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

35           (d) Verify that the voter has not already voted in the current  
36 election pursuant to this section.

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

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

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



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

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

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

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

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

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

18       (c) The date of voting early in person.

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

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

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

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

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

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

33       **Sec. 11.9.** NRS 293.3604 is hereby amended to read as  
34 follows:

35       293.3604 If ballots which are voted on a mechanical recording  
36 device which directly records the votes electronically are used  
37 during the period for early voting by personal appearance in an  
38 election other than a presidential preference primary election:

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

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

42           (1) The title of the election;

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



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

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

(5) The number of signatures on signature cards for the day.

(b) Secure:

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

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

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

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

(b) The voting rosters used for early voting

(c) *The signature cards used for early voting;*

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

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

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

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

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

**Sec. 12. (Deleted by amendment.)**

**Sec. 12.5. (Deleted by amendment.)**

**Sec. 13. (Deleted by amendment.)**

**Sec. 14. (Deleted by amendment.)**

**Sec. 15. (Deleted by amendment.)**

**Sec. 15.3. (Deleted by amendment.)**

**Sec. 15.5.** (Deleted by amendment.)  
**Sec. 15.51.** Chapter 293C of NRS is hereby amended by

adding thereto a new section to read as follows:

*1. If an Indian reservation or Indian colony is located in whole or in part within a city, the Indian tribe may submit a request to the city clerk for the establishment of a polling place within the boundaries of the Indian reservation or Indian colony for the day of a primary city election or general city election.*

2. A request for the establishment of a polling place within the boundaries of an Indian reservation or Indian colony for the day of a primary city election or general city election;



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1       (a) *Must be submitted to the city clerk by the Indian tribe on or*  
2 *before:*

3       (I) *If the request is for a primary city election that is held:*

4       (I) *On the dates set forth for primary elections pursuant*  
5 *to the provisions of chapter 293 of NRS, the first Friday in*  
6 *January of the year in which the primary city election is to be*  
7 *held.*

8       (II) *On the dates set forth for primary city elections*  
9 *pursuant to the provisions of this chapter, the first Friday in*  
10 *December of the year immediately preceding the year in which the*  
11 *primary city election is to be held.*

12       (2) *If the request is for a general city election that is held:*

13       (I) *On the dates set forth for general elections pursuant*  
14 *to the provisions of chapter 293 of NRS, the first Friday in July of*  
15 *the year in which the general city election is to be held.*

16       (II) *On the dates set forth for general city elections*  
17 *pursuant to the provisions of this chapter, the first Friday in*  
18 *January of the year in which the general city election is to be held.*

19       (b) *May include one or more proposed locations within the*  
20 *boundaries of the Indian reservation or Indian colony for the*  
21 *polling place. Any proposed location for a polling place must*  
22 *satisfy the criteria the city clerk uses for the establishment of any*  
23 *other polling place.*

24       3. *Except as otherwise provided in this subsection, if the city*  
25 *clerk receives a request that satisfies the requirements set forth in*  
26 *subsection 2, the city clerk must establish at least one polling place*  
27 *within the boundaries of the Indian reservation or Indian colony*  
28 *at a location or locations, as applicable, approved by the Indian*  
29 *tribe for the day of a primary city election or general city election.*  
30 *The city clerk is not required to establish a polling place within the*  
31 *boundaries of the Indian reservation or Indian colony for the day*  
32 *of a primary city election or general city election if the city clerk*  
33 *established a temporary branch polling place for early voting*  
34 *pursuant to NRS 293C.3572 within the boundaries of the Indian*  
35 *reservation or Indian colony for the same election.*

36       Sec. 15.52. NRS 293C.112 is hereby amended to read as  
37 follows:

38       293C.112 1. The governing body of a city may conduct a city  
39 election in which all ballots must be cast by mail if:

40       (a) The election is a special election; or

41       (b) The election is a primary city election or general city  
42 election in which the ballot includes only:

43       (1) Offices and ballot questions that may be voted on by the  
44 registered voters of only one ward; or

45       (2) One office or ballot question.



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1       2. The provisions of NRS 293C.265 to 293C.302, inclusive,  
2 **and section 15.51 of this act**, 293C.305 to 293C.340, inclusive, and  
3 293C.355 to 293C.361, inclusive, do not apply to an election  
4 conducted pursuant to this section.

5       3. For the purposes of an election conducted pursuant to this  
6 section, each precinct in the city shall be deemed to have been  
7 designated a mailing precinct pursuant to NRS 293C.342.

8       **Sec. 15.53.** NRS 293C.270 is hereby amended to read as  
9 follows:

10      293C.270 1. Except as otherwise provided in NRS 293C.272,  
11 if a person's name appears in the roster or if the person provides an  
12 affirmation pursuant to NRS 293C.525, the person is entitled to vote  
13 and must sign his or her name in the roster **or on a signature card**  
14 when he or she applies to vote. The signature must be compared by  
15 an election board officer with the signature or a facsimile thereof on  
16 the person's application to register to vote or one of the forms of  
17 identification listed in subsection 2.

18      2. The forms of identification that may be used to identify a  
19 voter at the polling place are:

20       (a) The card issued to the voter at the time he or she registered  
21 to vote;

22       (b) A driver's license;

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

25       (d) A military identification card; or

26       (e) Any other form of identification issued by a governmental  
27 agency that contains the voter's signature and physical description  
28 or picture.

29       **Sec. 15.54.** NRS 293C.272 is hereby amended to read as  
30 follows:

31      293C.272 1. If, because of physical limitations, a registered  
32 voter is unable to sign his or her name in the roster **or on a**  
33 **signature card** as required by NRS 293C.270, the voter must be  
34 identified by:

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

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

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

43       2. If the identity of the voter is verified, the election board  
44 officer shall indicate in the roster "Identified" by the voter's name.



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1       **Sec. 15.55.** NRS 293C.275 is hereby amended to read as  
2 follows:

3       293C.275 1. Except as otherwise provided in NRS 293C.272,  
4 a registered voter who applies to vote must state his or her name to  
5 the election board officer in charge of the roster, and the officer  
6 shall immediately announce the name, instruct the voter to sign the  
7 roster *or signature card* and verify the signature of the voter in the  
8 manner set forth in NRS 293C.270.

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

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

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

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

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

23       **Sec. 15.6.** NRS 293C.3564 is hereby amended to read as  
24 follows:

25       293C.3564 1. The city clerk ~~may~~ *in a city providing for*  
26 *early voting pursuant to subparagraph (1) of paragraph (b) of*  
27 *subsection 2 of NRS 293C.110 shall* establish *at least one*  
28 permanent polling ~~places~~ *place* for early voting by personal  
29 appearance in the city at the locations selected pursuant to  
30 NRS 293C.3561.

31       2. Any person entitled to vote early by personal appearance  
32 may do so at any polling place for early voting.

33       **Sec. 15.8.** NRS 293C.3572 is hereby amended to read as  
34 follows:

35       293C.3572 1. In addition to permanent polling places for  
36 early voting, *except as otherwise provided in subsection 3*, the city  
37 clerk may establish temporary branch polling places for early voting  
38 pursuant to NRS 293C.3561.

39       2. *If an Indian reservation or Indian colony is located in*  
40 *whole or in part within a city, the Indian tribe may submit a*  
41 *request to the city clerk for the establishment of a temporary*  
42 *branch polling place within the boundaries of the Indian*  
43 *reservation or Indian colony.*



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1       3. *A request for the establishment of a temporary branch*  
2 *polling place within the boundaries of an Indian reservation or*  
3 *Indian colony:*

4       (a) *Must be submitted to the city clerk by the Indian tribe on or*  
5 *before:*

6       (I) *If the request is for a primary city election that is held:*

7       (I) *On the dates set forth for primary elections pursuant*  
8 *to the provisions of chapter 293 of NRS, the first Friday in*  
9 *January of the year in which the primary city election is to be*  
10 *held.*

11       (II) *On the dates set forth for primary city elections*  
12 *pursuant to the provisions of this chapter, the first Friday in*  
13 *December of the year immediately preceding the year in which the*  
14 *primary city election is to be held.*

15       (2) *If the request is for a general city election that is held:*

16       (I) *On the dates set forth for general elections pursuant*  
17 *to the provisions of chapter 293 of NRS, the first Friday in July of*  
18 *the year in which the general city election is to be held.*

19       (II) *On the dates set forth for general city elections*  
20 *pursuant to the provisions of this chapter, the first Friday in*  
21 *January of the year in which the general city election is to be held.*

22       (b) *May include one or more proposed locations within the*  
23 *boundaries of the Indian reservation or Indian colony for the*  
24 *temporary branch polling place and proposed hours thereof. Any*  
25 *proposed location must satisfy the criteria established by the city*  
26 *clerk pursuant to NRS 293C.3561.*

27       4. *Except as otherwise provided in this subsection, if the city*  
28 *clerk receives a request that satisfies the requirements set forth in*  
29 *subsection 3, the city clerk must establish at least one temporary*  
30 *branch polling place for early voting within the boundaries of the*  
31 *Indian reservation or Indian colony. The location and hours of*  
32 *operation of such a temporary branch polling place for early*  
33 *voting must be approved by the Indian tribe. The city clerk is not*  
34 *required to establish a temporary branch polling place within the*  
35 *boundaries of the Indian reservation or Indian colony if the city*  
36 *clerk determines that it is not logically feasible to establish a*  
37 *temporary branch polling place within the boundaries of the*  
38 *Indian reservation or Indian colony.*

39       5. The provisions of subsection 3 of NRS 293C.3568 do not  
40 apply to a temporary **branch** polling place. Voting at a temporary  
41 branch polling place may be conducted on any one or more days and  
42 during any hours within the period for early voting by personal  
43 appearance, as determined by the city clerk.

44       **6.** The schedules for conducting voting are not required to  
45 be uniform among the temporary branch polling places.



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1        **[4] 7.** The legal rights and remedies which inure to the owner  
2 or lessor of private property are not impaired or otherwise affected  
3 by the leasing of the property for use as a temporary branch polling  
4 place for early voting, except to the extent necessary to conduct  
5 early voting at that location.

6        **Sec. 15.85.** NRS 293C.3585 is hereby amended to read as  
7 follows:

8        293C.3585 1. Except as otherwise provided in NRS  
9 293C.272, upon the appearance of a person to cast a ballot for early  
10 voting, an election board officer shall:

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

12        (b) Instruct the voter to sign the roster for early voting ~~H~~ or a  
13 **signature card.**

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

16        (d) Verify that the voter has not already voted in the current  
17 election pursuant to this section.

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

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

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

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

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

32        4. The city clerk shall prescribe a procedure, approved by the  
33 Secretary of State, to verify that the voter has not already voted in  
34 the current election pursuant to this section.

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

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

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

42        (c) The date of voting early in person.

43        6. When a voter is entitled to cast a ballot and has identified  
44 himself or herself to the satisfaction of the election board officer, the



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1 voter is entitled to receive the appropriate ballot or ballots, but only  
2 for his or her own use at the polling place for early voting.

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

6       (a) Prepare the mechanical recording device for the voter;  
7       (b) Ensure that the voter's precinct or voting district, if that  
8 information is available, and the form of ballot are indicated on the  
9 voting receipt, if the city clerk uses voting receipts; and

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

11      8. A voter applying to vote early by personal appearance may  
12 be challenged pursuant to NRS 293C.292.

13      **Sec. 15.9.** NRS 293C.3604 is hereby amended to read as  
14 follows:

15      293C.3604 If ballots which are voted on a mechanical  
16 recording device which directly records the votes electronically are  
17 used during the period for early voting by personal appearance in an  
18 election other than a presidential preference primary election:

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

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

22           (1) The title of the election;  
23           (2) The number which identifies the mechanical recording  
24 device and the storage device required pursuant to NRS 293B.084;  
25           (3) The number of ballots voted on the mechanical recording  
26 device for that day; ~~and~~

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

29           **(5) The number of signatures on signature cards for that  
30 day.**

31       (b) Secure:

32           (1) The ballots pursuant to the plan for security required by  
33 NRS 293C.3594; and

34           (2) Each mechanical voting device in the manner prescribed  
35 by the Secretary of State pursuant to NRS 293C.3594.

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

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

39           (b) The voting rosters used for early voting;

40           (c) **The signature cards used for early voting;**

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

44           ~~(e)~~ **(e)** Any other items as determined by the city clerk.



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

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

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

9       **Sec. 15.95.** The provisions of NRS 354.599 do not apply to  
10 any additional expenses of a local government that are related to the  
11 provisions of this act.

12       **Sec. 16.** This act becomes effective:

13       1. On July 1, 2017, for the purpose of adopting any regulations  
14 and performing any other preparatory administrative tasks necessary  
15 to carry out the provisions of this act; and

16       2. On January 1, 2018, for all other purposes.

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