

SMALL BUSINESS IMPACT STATEMENT AS REQUIRED BY NRS 233B.0608
LCB File No. R003-26P

1. A description of the manner in which comment was solicited from affected small businesses, a summary of their response and an explanation of the manner in which other interested persons may obtain a copy of the summary.

These proposed regulations do not create an economic effect on small businesses. These regulations require county clerks to conduct a postelection certification audit of electronic tabulators used in elections, set standards for random selection of tabulators to be audited, establish reporting and discrepancy procedures, and prohibit interference with audits and do not create an adverse or beneficial economic impact on small businesses in either the immediate or long-term.

The Office of the Secretary of State solicited comment on the proposed amendment by posting a notice with links to the full text of the proposed amendment to the LCB Administrative Regulation Notices website, Secretary of State's website, and Nevada Public Notice website pursuant to NRS 233B.

All 17 county clerks and registrars were given a copy of all notices and proposed text along with the guidance to distribute to anyone who may be interested.

The notices, proposed text, and link to the video of the workshop and adoption hearing are posted at the following website:

<https://www.nvsos.gov/sos/elections/election-resources/elections-regulations-2026/>

Written comments received prior to each adoption hearing are available upon request.

2. The manner in which the analysis was conducted.

Each regulation was reviewed in order to confirm that there is no effect on small businesses. Additionally, the public comments received were analyzed to validate our assessment and confirmed that there is no impact to small businesses.

3. The estimated economic effect of the proposed regulation on the small businesses which it is to regulate, including, without limitation:

(a) Both adverse and beneficial effects; and

There are no adverse or beneficial economic effects created by these regulations.

(b) Both direct and indirect effects.

There are no direct or indirect economic effects created by these regulations.

4. A description of the methods that the agency considered to reduce the impact of the proposed regulation on small businesses and a statement regarding whether the agency actually used any of those methods.

As these regulations have no impact on small businesses, there were no changes to consider or implement.

5. The estimated cost to the agency for enforcement of the proposed regulation.

There is no estimated cost to the Office of the Secretary of State for enforcement of these proposed regulations.

6. If the proposed regulation provides a new fee or increases an existing fee, the total annual amount the agency expects to collect and the manner in which the money will be used.

This regulation does not provide a new fee or increase an existing fee.

7. If the proposed regulation includes provisions which duplicate or are more stringent than federal, state or local standards regulating the same activity, an explanation of why such duplicative or more stringent provisions are necessary.

This regulation does not include provisions which duplicate or are more stringent than a federal, state, or local standard regulating the same activity.

8. The reasons for the conclusion of the agency regarding the impact of a regulation on small businesses.

The agency determined that these regulations do not create an economic effect on small businesses.

9. The methods used by the agency in determining the impact of the regulation on small business and the reasons for the agency's conclusions.

Each regulation was reviewed in order to confirm that there is no effect on small businesses.

I hereby certify that to the best of my knowledge or belief a concerted effort was made to determine the impact of this proposed regulation on small businesses and that the information contained in the statement was prepared properly and is accurate.

Respectfully,

Mark Wlaschin

Mark Wlaschin, Deputy Secretary for Elections