
ASSEMBLY BILL NO. 81—COMMITTEE ON
LEGISLATIVE OPERATIONS AND ELECTIONS

(ON BEHALF OF THE SECRETARY OF STATE)

PREFILED DECEMBER 15, 2010

Referred to Committee on Legislative Operations and Elections

SUMMARY—Revises various provisions relating to elections.
(BDR 24-406)

FISCAL NOTE: Effect on Local Government: Increases or Newly
Provides for Term of Imprisonment in County or City
Jail or Detention Facility.
Effect on the State: Yes.

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

AN ACT relating to elections; revising provisions relating to declarations of candidacy or acceptance of candidacy; clarifying when a minor political party may be recognized; revising certain requirements for petitions of referendum; increasing fees for filing for candidacy; revising provisions concerning ballots; revising provisions relating to counting ballots, posting voting results and recounts; requiring employers to allow employees to be absent to participate in the nomination process for President of the United States; providing that the residency of spouses of certain military personnel is not changed whether absent or present in this State; making various changes concerning campaign contributions and expenditures; making various other changes to provisions governing elections; providing a penalty; and providing other matters properly relating thereto.

Legislative Counsel's Digest:

- 1 Existing law requires a person to file a declaration of candidacy or acceptance
- 2 of candidacy in order to have the person's name appear on a ballot. (NRS 293.177,
- 3 293C.185) **Sections 4 and 31** of this bill prohibit a person from filing a declaration



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4 or acceptance of candidacy if the person has an outstanding civil penalty or fine
5 related to a violation of a provision of election law.

6 In order to qualify to place the names of candidates on the ballot, under existing
7 law, a minor political party must have filed with the Secretary of State a certificate
8 of existence and a list of candidates. Also, the minor political party must have: (1)
9 at the last preceding general election, polled for any of its candidates for partisan
10 office a number of votes equal to or more than 1 percent of the total number of
11 votes cast for the offices of Representative in Congress; (2) been designated as the
12 political party on the applications to register to vote of at least 1 percent of the total
13 number of registered voters in this State; or (3) filed a petition with the Secretary of
14 State which is signed by a number of registered voters equal to at least 1 percent
15 of the total number of votes cast at the last preceding election for the offices of
16 Representative of Congress. Alternatively, the minor political party may place the
17 name of a candidate on the ballot if the minor political party has filed with the
18 Secretary of State a certificate of existence and a petition on behalf of the candidate
19 that it wants to place on the ballot containing a certain number of signatures. (NRS
20 293.1715) **Sections 6 and 15-18** of this bill clarify that an organization is
21 recognized as a minor political party when it files a certificate of existence. A
22 minor political party must still meet the other requirements in order to qualify to
23 place candidates on the ballot.

24 **Sections 7-12 and 64** of this bill provide that the signature and verification
25 requirements for initiative petitions also apply to petitions for referendum.

26 Existing law provides the requirements for nominating candidates for office
27 and placing candidates on the ballot for the general election. (NRS 293.165,
28 293.166, 293.368) **Sections 13, 14 and 25** of this bill move the date after which no
29 change may be made on the ballot for the general election from the first Tuesday
30 after the primary election to the fourth Friday in June of the year in which the
31 general election is held.

32 Existing law provides that if a person willfully files a declaration or acceptance
33 of candidacy that contains a false statement, the name of the person must not appear
34 on the ballot for the election for which the person filed the declaration or
35 acceptance of candidacy. (NRS 293.184, 293C.1865) **Sections 19 and 32** of this
36 bill further require that if the name of such a person appears on the ballot because
37 the deadline for making changes to the ballot has passed, the Secretary of State,
38 county clerk or city clerk must inform voters by posting signs at polling places that
39 the person is disqualified from entering into the duties of office.

40 **Section 20** of this bill increases the fees for filing for candidacy for federal,
41 state, county, city and township office. **Section 20** exempts a person who does not
42 have the ability to pay the fees in certain circumstances.

43 **Section 21** of this bill allows a person to cast a primary ballot for a major
44 political party only if the person is a member of that major political party.

45 **Section 22** of this bill revises the order in which candidates for justice of the
46 Supreme Court will appear on a ballot so that they appear with other constitutional
47 officers.

48 Existing law sets forth procedures for depositing absent ballots in the ballot
49 box, including verifying the absent voter's signature that appears on the back of the
50 return envelope or facsimile. (NRS 293.333, 293C.332) Because certain military
51 personnel and overseas citizens may return special absent ballots via approved
52 electronic transmission other than facsimile, **sections 23 and 33** of this bill
53 authorize the verification of the signature of these voters by comparing the
54 signature from the special absent ballot or the oath of the voter that must be
55 included in the special absent ballot with that on the original application to register
56 to vote.

57 Existing law sets forth the period for early voting by personal appearance at a
58 primary or general election, which excludes Sundays and state and federal holidays.



59 (NRS 293.3568, 293C.3568) **Sections 24 and 34** of this bill provide that state
60 holidays are not excluded from that period.

61 **Section 26** of this bill prohibits a county clerk from posting voting results for a
62 statewide or multicounty race or ballot question until the Secretary of State notifies
63 the county clerk that all polling places are closed and all votes have been cast.

64 **Section 27** of this bill authorizes a person who demands an election recount in
65 a county or city using a mechanical voting system to demand the recount of only
66 absent ballots cast by mail.

67 Existing law requires an employer to allow an employee to be absent from his
68 or her place of employment for the purpose of voting in an election. (NRS 293.463)

69 **Section 28** of this bill requires employers to also allow employees to be absent
70 from their places of employment to participate in the nomination process for
71 candidates for President of the United States at a caucus of a political party.

72 Existing law provides that a person does not gain or lose residence in the State
73 by reason of his or her presence or absence while being employed in the military,
74 naval or civil service of the United States or the State of Nevada or while engaged
75 in the navigation of the waters of the United States or of the high seas. (NRS
76 293.487) **Section 30** of this bill provides that the spouse of such a person also does
77 not gain or lose residence in the State.

78 **Section 37** of this bill requires certain persons, committees for political action,
79 political parties and committees of political parties that make an expenditure of
80 more than \$100 for the purpose of financing certain public communications to
81 disclose on the communication the name of the person, committee or political party
82 that paid for the communication.

83 **Section 38** of this bill requires that certain independent expenditures on behalf
84 of a candidate or group of candidates of more than \$5,000 be reported to the
85 Secretary of State.

86 Existing law limits the amount that may be contributed to a candidate for office
87 to \$5,000 for the primary election and \$5,000 for the general election. (NRS
88 294A.100) **Section 41** of this bill limits the amount that may be contributed to a
89 committee for political action that is organized solely for the support or opposition
90 of a single candidate to \$5,000 for the primary election and \$5,000 for the general
91 election.

92 **Sections 42, 44-48 and 57** of this bill amend the dates for filing reports relating
93 to campaign contribution and expenditures and add an additional report that must
94 be filed by candidates, groups and various parties and committees.

95 **Section 49** of this bill provides that if a committee for political action fails to
96 register with the Secretary of State before engaging in any activity within the State,
97 the Secretary of State may impose on the committee a civil penalty for each time
98 the committee engages in activity without being registered.

99 **Sections 40, 44, 45, 47, 48, 50-53, 55, 59-62 and 69** of this bill repeal the term
100 "business entity" and remove the term from provisions governing registration and
101 campaign contribution and expenditure reporting. These entities, however, are not
102 exempt from the provisions because they are business organizations included
103 within the term "person" as defined in existing law. (NRS 294A.009)

104 **Section 54** of this bill authorizes a candidate or public officer to use campaign
105 contributions to pay for legal expenses that the candidate or public officer incurred
106 in relation to a campaign or while serving in public office. Any such candidate or
107 public officer is not required to establish a legal defense fund in order to use
108 campaign contributions to pay for legal expenses, but **sections 29, 54, 56, 58, 59,**
109 **61 and 62** of this bill require the candidate or public officer to report the
110 expenditure of such money on his or her campaign expenditure reports.

111 **Section 65** of this bill requires the affidavit executed by a circulator of a
112 petition for initiative or referendum to include the contact information of the
113 circulator and a statement that the circulator is at least 18 years of age.



114 **Section 66** of this bill requires a Legislator to file a statement of financial
115 disclosure on January 15th of the year immediately following the year in which the
116 Legislator's term expires.

117 **Sections 67 and 68** of this bill require that candidates for city office in the
118 cities of Carlin and Wells file declarations of candidacy at the same time as
119 candidates for statewide office.

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 the provisions set forth as sections 2, 3 and 4 of this act.

3 **Sec. 2.** *“Central counting place” means the location*
4 *designated by the county or city clerk for the compilation of*
5 *election returns.*

6 **Sec. 3.** *“Undervote” means a ballot that has been cast by a*
7 *voter but shows no legally valid selection for any candidate for a*
8 *particular office or for a ballot question.*

9 **Sec. 4.** 1. *Except as otherwise provided in this section, a*
10 *person may not submit and the county clerk shall not accept a*
11 *declaration of candidacy or acceptance of candidacy if a civil*
12 *penalty has been issued or a fine imposed against the person for a*
13 *violation of any provision of this title and the civil penalty or fine*
14 *remains unpaid.*

15 2. *Notwithstanding the provisions of subsection 1, a person*
16 *described in subsection 1 may submit and the county clerk shall*
17 *accept the declaration of candidacy or acceptance of candidacy if*
18 *the unpaid civil penalty or fine is under appeal and the person*
19 *posts a bond with the Secretary of State for the same amount as*
20 *the unpaid civil penalty or fine.*

21 3. *Not later than 15 days before the first day for filing a*
22 *declaration of candidacy or acceptance of candidacy set forth in*
23 *NRS 293.177, the Secretary of State shall notify each county clerk*
24 *of, and post on the Secretary of State's Internet website, the name*
25 *of any person who is prohibited from filing a declaration of*
26 *candidacy or acceptance of candidacy pursuant to this section.*

27 **Sec. 5.** NRS 293.010 is hereby amended to read as follows:

28 293.010 As used in this title, unless the context otherwise
29 requires, the words and terms defined in NRS 293.013 to 293.121,
30 inclusive, *and sections 2 and 3 of this act* have the meanings
31 ascribed to them in those sections.

32 **Sec. 6.** NRS 293.066 is hereby amended to read as follows:

33 293.066 “Minor political party” means any organization which
34 ~~qualifies~~ *is recognized* as such pursuant to NRS 293.171.



1 **Sec. 7.** NRS 293.127561 is hereby amended to read as
2 follows:

3 293.127561 1. The Legislature shall establish petition
4 districts from which signatures for a petition for initiative *or*
5 *referendum* that proposes a ~~[statute, an amendment to a statute or an~~
6 ~~amendment to the Constitution of this State.]~~ *constitutional*
7 *amendment or statewide measure* must be gathered. The petition
8 districts must be established in a manner that is fair to all residents
9 of the State, represent approximately equal populations and ensure
10 that each signature is afforded the same weight.

11 2. Petition districts must be:

12 (a) Based on the population databases compiled by the Bureau
13 of the Census of the United States Department of Commerce as
14 validated and incorporated into the geographic information system
15 by the Legislative Counsel Bureau for use by the Nevada
16 Legislature.

17 (b) Designated in the maps filed with the Office of the Secretary
18 of State pursuant to NRS 293.127562.

19 **Sec. 8.** NRS 293.127563 is hereby amended to read as
20 follows:

21 293.127563 1. As soon as practicable after each general
22 election, the Secretary of State shall determine the number of
23 signatures required to be gathered from each petition district within
24 the State for a petition for initiative *or referendum* that proposes a
25 ~~[statute, an amendment to a statute or an amendment to the~~
26 ~~Constitution of this State.]~~ *constitutional amendment or statewide*
27 *measure.*

28 2. To determine the number of signatures required to be
29 gathered from a petition district, the Secretary of State shall
30 calculate the amount that equals 10 percent of the voters who voted
31 in that petition district at the last preceding general election.

32 **Sec. 9.** NRS 293.1276 is hereby amended to read as follows:

33 293.1276 1. Within 4 days, excluding Saturdays, Sundays
34 and holidays, after the submission of a petition containing signatures
35 which are required to be verified pursuant to NRS 293.128, 293.165,
36 293.172, 293.200, 295.056, 298.109, 306.035 or 306.110, the
37 county clerk shall determine the total number of signatures affixed
38 to the documents and, in the case of a petition for *initiative or*
39 *referendum* proposing a ~~[statute, an amendment to a statute or an~~
40 ~~amendment to the Constitution.]~~ *constitutional amendment or*
41 *statewide measure*, shall tally the number of signatures for each
42 petition district contained fully or partially within the county and
43 forward that information to the Secretary of State.

44 2. If the Secretary of State finds that the total number of
45 signatures filed with all the county clerks is less than 100 percent of



1 the required number of registered voters, the Secretary of State shall
2 so notify the person who submitted the petition and the county
3 clerks and no further action may be taken in regard to the petition. If
4 the petition is a petition to recall a county, district or municipal
5 officer, the Secretary of State shall also notify the officer with
6 whom the petition is to be filed.

7 3. After the petition is submitted to the county clerk, it must
8 not be handled by any other person except by an employee of the
9 county clerk's office until it is filed with the Secretary of State.

10 **Sec. 10.** NRS 293.1277 is hereby amended to read as follows:

11 293.1277 1. If the Secretary of State finds that the total
12 number of signatures submitted to all the county clerks is 100
13 percent or more of the number of registered voters needed to declare
14 the petition sufficient, the Secretary of State shall immediately so
15 notify the county clerks. Within 9 days, excluding Saturdays,
16 Sundays and holidays, after notification, each of the county clerks
17 shall determine the number of registered voters who have signed the
18 documents submitted in the county clerk's county and, in the case of
19 a petition *for initiative or referendum* proposing a ~~[statute, an~~
20 ~~amendment to a statute or an amendment to the Constitution,]~~
21 *constitutional amendment or statewide measure*, shall tally the
22 number of signatures for each petition district contained or fully
23 contained within the county clerk's county.

24 2. If more than 500 names have been signed on the documents
25 submitted to a county clerk, the county clerk shall examine the
26 signatures by sampling them at random for verification. The random
27 sample of signatures to be verified must be drawn in such a manner
28 that every signature which has been submitted to the county clerk is
29 given an equal opportunity to be included in the sample. The sample
30 must include an examination of at least 500 or 5 percent of the
31 signatures, whichever is greater.

32 3. In determining from the records of registration the number
33 of registered voters who signed the documents, the county clerk may
34 use the signatures contained in the file of applications to register to
35 vote. If the county clerk uses that file, the county clerk shall ensure
36 that every application in the file is examined, including any
37 application in his or her possession which may not yet be entered
38 into the county clerk's records. The county clerk shall rely only on
39 the appearance of the signature and the address and date included
40 with each signature in making his or her determination.

41 4. In the case of a petition *for initiative or referendum*
42 proposing a ~~[statute, an amendment to a statute or an amendment to~~
43 ~~the Constitution,]~~ *constitutional amendment or statewide measure*,
44 when the county clerk is determining the number of registered
45 voters who signed the documents from each petition district



1 contained fully or partially within the county clerk's county, he or
2 she must use the statewide voter registration list available pursuant
3 to NRS 293.675.

4 5. Except as otherwise provided in subsection 7, upon
5 completing the examination, the county clerk shall immediately
6 attach to the documents a certificate properly dated, showing the
7 result of the examination, including the tally of signatures by
8 petition district, if required, and transmit the documents with the
9 certificate to the Secretary of State. ~~##~~ *In the case of a petition for*
10 *initiative or referendum proposing a constitutional amendment or*
11 *statewide measure, if a petition district comprises more than one*
12 *county, ~~[and the petition proposes a statute, an amendment to a~~
13 ~~statute or an amendment to the Constitution.]~~ the appropriate county
14 clerks shall comply with the regulations adopted by the Secretary of
15 State pursuant to this section to complete the certificate. A copy of
16 this certificate must be filed in the clerk's office. When the county
17 clerk transmits the certificate to the Secretary of State, the county
18 clerk shall notify the Secretary of State of the number of requests to
19 remove a name received by the county clerk pursuant to NRS
20 295.055 or 306.015.*

21 6. A person who submits a petition to the county clerk which is
22 required to be verified pursuant to NRS 293.128, 293.165, 293.172,
23 293.200, 295.056, 298.109, 306.035 or 306.110 must be allowed to
24 witness the verification of the signatures. A public officer who is the
25 subject of a recall petition must also be allowed to witness the
26 verification of the signatures on the petition.

27 7. For any petition containing signatures which are required to
28 be verified pursuant to the provisions of NRS 293.165, 293.200,
29 306.035 or 306.110 for any county, district or municipal office
30 within one county, the county clerk shall not transmit to the
31 Secretary of State the documents containing the signatures of the
32 registered voters.

33 8. The Secretary of State shall by regulation establish further
34 procedures for carrying out the provisions of this section.

35 **Sec. 11.** NRS 293.1278 is hereby amended to read as follows:

36 293.1278 1. If the certificates received by the Secretary of
37 State from all the county clerks establish that the number of valid
38 signatures is less than 90 percent of the required number of
39 registered voters, the petition shall be deemed to have failed to
40 qualify, and the Secretary of State shall immediately so notify the
41 petitioners and the county clerks.

42 2. If those certificates establish that the number of valid
43 signatures is equal to or more than the sum of 100 percent of the
44 number of registered voters needed to make the petition sufficient
45 plus the total number of requests to remove a name received by the



1 county clerks pursuant to NRS 295.055 or 306.015 and, in the case
2 of a petition *for initiative or referendum* proposing a ~~[statute, an~~
3 ~~amendment to a statute or an amendment to the Constitution,]~~
4 *constitutional amendment or statewide measure*, that the petition
5 has the minimum number of signatures required for each petition
6 district, the petition shall be deemed to qualify as of the date of
7 receipt by the Secretary of State of those certificates, and the
8 Secretary of State shall immediately so notify the petitioners and the
9 county clerks.

10 3. If the certificates establish that the petitioners have 100
11 percent or more of the number of registered voters needed to make
12 the petition sufficient but the petition fails to qualify pursuant to
13 subsection 2, each county clerk who received a request to remove a
14 name pursuant to NRS 295.055 or 306.015 shall remove each name
15 as requested, amend the certificate and transmit the amended
16 certificate to the Secretary of State. If the amended certificates
17 establish that the petitioners have 100 percent or more of the number
18 of registered voters needed to make the petition sufficient and, in the
19 case of a petition *for initiative or referendum* proposing a ~~[statute,~~
20 ~~an amendment to a statute or an amendment to the Constitution,]~~
21 *constitutional amendment or statewide measure*, that the petition
22 has the minimum number of signatures required for each petition
23 district, the petition shall be deemed to qualify as of the date of
24 receipt by the Secretary of State of the amended certificates, and the
25 Secretary of State shall immediately so notify the petitioners and the
26 county clerks.

27 **Sec. 12.** NRS 293.1279 is hereby amended to read as follows:

28 293.1279 1. If the statistical sampling shows that the number
29 of valid signatures filed is 90 percent or more, but less than the sum
30 of 100 percent of the number of signatures of registered voters
31 needed to declare the petition sufficient plus the total number of
32 requests to remove a name received by the county clerks pursuant to
33 NRS 295.055 or 306.015, the Secretary of State shall order the
34 county clerks to examine the signatures for verification. The county
35 clerks shall examine the signatures for verification until they
36 determine that 100 percent of the number of signatures of registered
37 voters needed to declare the petition sufficient are valid. If the
38 county clerks received a request to remove a name pursuant to NRS
39 295.055 or 306.015, the county clerks may not determine that 100
40 percent of the number of signatures of registered voters needed to
41 declare the petition sufficient are valid until they have removed each
42 name as requested pursuant to NRS 295.055 or 306.015.

43 2. Except as otherwise provided in this subsection, if the
44 statistical sampling shows that the number of valid signatures filed
45 in any county is 90 percent or more but less than the sum of 100



1 percent of the number of signatures of registered voters needed to
2 constitute 10 percent of the number of voters who voted at the last
3 preceding general election in that county plus the total number of
4 requests to remove a name received by the county clerk in that
5 county pursuant to NRS 295.055 or 306.015, the Secretary of State
6 may order the county clerk in that county to examine every
7 signature for verification. If the county clerk received a request to
8 remove a name pursuant to NRS 295.055 or 306.015, the county
9 clerk may not determine that 100 percent or more of the number of
10 signatures of registered voters needed to constitute 10 percent of the
11 number of voters who voted at the last preceding general election in
12 that county are valid until the county clerk has removed each name
13 as requested pursuant to NRS 295.055 or 306.015. In the case of a
14 petition for initiative *or referendum* that proposes a ~~[statute, an~~
15 ~~amendment to a statute or an amendment to the Constitution of this~~
16 ~~State,]~~ *constitutional amendment or statewide measure*, if the
17 statistical sampling shows that the number of valid signatures in any
18 petition district is 90 percent or more but less than the sum of 100
19 percent of the number of signatures of registered voters required for
20 that petition district pursuant to NRS 295.012 plus the total number
21 of requests to remove a name received by the county clerk or county
22 clerks, if the petition district comprises more than one county,
23 pursuant to NRS 295.055, the Secretary of State may order a county
24 clerk to examine every signature for verification.

25 3. Within 12 days, excluding Saturdays, Sundays and holidays,
26 after receipt of such an order, the county clerk or county clerks shall
27 determine from the records of registration what number of registered
28 voters have signed the petition and, if appropriate, tally those
29 signatures by petition district. If necessary, the board of county
30 commissioners shall allow the county clerk additional assistants for
31 examining the signatures and provide for their compensation. In
32 determining from the records of registration what number of
33 registered voters have signed the petition and in determining in
34 which petition district the voters reside, the county clerk must use
35 the statewide voter registration list. The county clerk may rely on
36 the appearance of the signature and the address and date included
37 with each signature in determining the number of registered voters
38 that signed the petition.

39 4. Except as otherwise provided in subsection 5, upon
40 completing the examination, the county clerk or county clerks shall
41 immediately attach to the documents of the petition an amended
42 certificate, properly dated, showing the result of the examination
43 and shall immediately forward the documents with the amended
44 certificate to the Secretary of State. A copy of the amended
45 certificate must be filed in the county clerk's office. In the case of a



1 petition *for initiative or referendum* to propose a ~~[statute, an~~
2 ~~amendment to a statute or an amendment to the Constitution,]~~
3 *constitutional amendment or statewide measure*, if a petition
4 district comprises more than one county, the county clerks shall
5 comply with the regulations adopted by the Secretary of State
6 pursuant to this section to complete the amended certificate.

7 5. For any petition containing signatures which are required to
8 be verified pursuant to the provisions of NRS 293.165, 293.200,
9 306.035 or 306.110 for any county, district or municipal office
10 within one county, the county clerk shall not forward to the
11 Secretary of State the documents containing the signatures of the
12 registered voters.

13 6. Except for a petition to recall a county, district or municipal
14 officer, the petition shall be deemed filed with the Secretary of State
15 as of the date on which the Secretary of State receives certificates
16 from the county clerks showing the petition to be signed by the
17 requisite number of voters of the State.

18 7. If the amended certificates received from all county clerks
19 by the Secretary of State establish that the petition is still
20 insufficient, the Secretary of State shall immediately so notify the
21 petitioners and the county clerks. If the petition is a petition to recall
22 a county, district or municipal officer, the Secretary of State shall
23 also notify the officer with whom the petition is to be filed.

24 8. The Secretary of State shall adopt regulations to carry out
25 the provisions of this section.

26 **Sec. 13.** NRS 293.165 is hereby amended to read as follows:

27 293.165 1. Except as otherwise provided in NRS 293.166, a
28 vacancy occurring in a major or minor political party nomination for
29 a partisan office may be filled by a candidate designated by the
30 party central committee of the county or State, as the case may be,
31 of the major political party or by the executive committee of
32 the minor political party subject to the provisions of subsections 4
33 and 5.

34 2. A vacancy occurring in a nonpartisan nomination after the
35 close of filing and on or before 5 p.m. of the second Tuesday in
36 April must be filled by filing a nominating petition that is signed by
37 registered voters of the State, county, district or municipality who
38 may vote for the office in question. The number of registered voters
39 who sign the petition must not be less than 1 percent of the number
40 of persons who voted for the office in question in the State, county,
41 district or municipality at the last preceding general election. The
42 petition must be filed not earlier than the first Tuesday in March and
43 not later than the fourth Tuesday in April. The petition may consist
44 of more than one document. Each document must bear the name of
45 one county and must be signed only by a person who is a registered



1 voter of that county and who may vote for the office in question.
2 Each document of the petition must be submitted for verification
3 pursuant to NRS 293.1276 to 293.1279, inclusive, to the county
4 clerk of the county named on the document. A candidate nominated
5 pursuant to the provisions of this subsection:

6 (a) Must file a declaration of candidacy or acceptance of
7 candidacy and pay the statutory filing fee on or before the date the
8 petition is filed; and

9 (b) May be elected only at a general election, and the
10 candidate's name must not appear on the ballot for a primary
11 election.

12 3. A vacancy occurring in a nonpartisan nomination after
13 5 p.m. of the second Tuesday in April and on or before 5 p.m. on the
14 ~~first Tuesday after the primary election~~ *fourth Friday in June of*
15 *the year in which the general election is held* must be filled by the
16 person who receives the next highest vote for the nomination in the
17 primary.

18 4. No change may be made on the ballot for the general
19 election after 5 p.m. on the ~~first Tuesday after the primary~~
20 ~~election.~~ *fourth Friday in June of the year in which the general*
21 *election is held.* If a nominee dies after that time and date, the
22 nominee's name must remain on the ballot for the general election
23 and, if elected, a vacancy exists.

24 5. All designations provided for in this section must be filed on
25 or before 5 p.m. on the ~~first Tuesday after the primary election.~~
26 *fourth Friday in June of the year in which the general election is*
27 *held.* In each case, the statutory filing fee must be paid and an
28 acceptance of the designation must be filed on or before 5 p.m. on
29 the date the designation is filed.

30 **Sec. 14.** NRS 293.166 is hereby amended to read as follows:

31 293.166 1. A vacancy occurring in a party nomination for the
32 office of State Senator, Assemblyman or Assemblywoman from a
33 legislative district comprising more than one county may be filled as
34 follows, subject to the provisions of subsections 2 and 3. The county
35 commissioners of each county, all or part of which is included
36 within the legislative district, shall meet to appoint a person who is
37 of the same political party as the former nominee and who actually,
38 as opposed to constructively, resides in the district to fill the
39 vacancy, with the chair of the board of county commissioners of the
40 county whose population residing within the district is the greatest
41 presiding. Each board of county commissioners shall first meet
42 separately and determine the single candidate it will nominate to fill
43 the vacancy. Then, the boards shall meet jointly and the chairs on
44 behalf of the boards shall cast a proportionate number of votes
45 according to the percent, rounded to the nearest whole percent,



1 which the population of its county is of the population of the entire
2 district. Populations must be determined by the last decennial census
3 or special census conducted by the Bureau of the Census of the
4 United States Department of Commerce. The person who receives a
5 plurality of these votes is appointed to fill the vacancy. If no person
6 receives a plurality of the votes, the boards of county commissioners
7 of the respective counties shall each as a group select one candidate,
8 and the nominee must be chosen by drawing lots among the persons
9 so selected.

10 2. No change may be made on the ballot after the ~~first~~
11 ~~Tuesday after the primary election~~ *fourth Friday in June* of the
12 year in which the general election is held. If a nominee dies after
13 that date, the nominee's name must remain on the ballot and, if
14 elected, a vacancy exists.

15 3. The designation of a nominee pursuant to this section must
16 be filed with the Secretary of State *on or* before 5 p.m. on the ~~first~~
17 ~~Tuesday after the primary election,~~ *fourth Friday in June of the*
18 *year in which the general election is held,* and the statutory filing
19 fee must be paid with the designation.

20 **Sec. 15.** NRS 293.171 is hereby amended to read as follows:

21 293.171 1. To ~~qualify~~ *be recognized* as a minor political
22 party, an organization must file with the Secretary of State a
23 certificate of existence which includes the:

- 24 (a) Name of the political party;
25 (b) Names of its officers;
26 (c) Names of the members of its executive committee; and
27 (d) Name of the person authorized to file the list of its
28 candidates for partisan office with the Secretary of State.

29 2. A copy of the constitution or bylaws of the party must be
30 affixed to the certificate.

31 3. A minor political party shall file with the Secretary of State
32 an amended certificate of existence within 5 days after any change
33 in the information contained in the certificate.

34 4. The constitution or bylaws of a minor political party must
35 provide a procedure for the nomination of its candidates in such a
36 manner that only one candidate may be nominated for each office.

37 5. A minor political party whose candidates for partisan office
38 do not appear on the ballot for the general election must file a notice
39 of continued existence with the Secretary of State not later than the
40 second Friday in August preceding the general election.

41 6. A minor political party which fails to file a notice of
42 continued existence as required by subsection 5 ceases to exist as a
43 minor political party in this State.



1 **Sec. 16.** NRS 293.1715 is hereby amended to read as follows:

2 293.1715 1. The names of the candidates for partisan office
3 of a minor political party must not appear on the ballot for a primary
4 election.

5 2. The names of the candidates for partisan office of a minor
6 political party must be placed on the ballot for the general election if
7 the *minor political* party ~~has~~ *is qualified. To qualify as a minor*
8 *political party, the minor political party must have* filed a
9 certificate of existence and *be recognized pursuant to NRS*
10 *293.171, must have filed* a list of its candidates for partisan office
11 pursuant to the provisions of NRS 293.1725 with the Secretary of
12 State and:

13 (a) At the last preceding general election, the minor political
14 party *must have* polled for any of its candidates for partisan office a
15 number of votes equal to or more than 1 percent of the total number
16 of votes cast for the offices of Representative in Congress;

17 (b) On January 1 preceding a primary election, the minor
18 political party ~~has~~ *must have* been designated as the political party
19 on the applications to register to vote of at least 1 percent of the total
20 number of registered voters in this State; or

21 (c) Not later than the ~~second~~ *third* Friday in ~~June~~ *May*
22 preceding the general election, ~~files~~ *must file* a petition with the
23 Secretary of State which is signed by a number of registered voters
24 equal to at least 1 percent of the total number of votes cast at the last
25 preceding general election for the offices of Representative in
26 Congress.

27 3. The name of a candidate for partisan office for a minor
28 political party other than a candidate for the office of President or
29 Vice President of the United States must be placed on the ballot for
30 the general election if the *minor political* party has filed:

31 (a) A certificate of existence ~~is~~ *and is recognized pursuant to*
32 *NRS 293.171;*

33 (b) A list of candidates for partisan office containing the name
34 of the candidate pursuant to the provisions of NRS 293.1725 with
35 the Secretary of State; and

36 (c) Not earlier than the first Monday in March preceding the
37 general election and not later than 5 p.m. on the second Friday after
38 the first Monday in March, a petition on behalf of the candidate with
39 the Secretary of State containing not less than:

40 (1) Two hundred fifty signatures of registered voters if the
41 candidate is to be nominated for a statewide office; or

42 (2) One hundred signatures of registered voters if the
43 candidate is to be nominated for any office except a statewide
44 office.



1 ↪ A minor political party that places names of one or more
2 candidates for partisan office on the ballot pursuant to this
3 subsection may also place the names of one or more candidates for
4 partisan office on the ballot pursuant to subsection 2.

5 4. The name of only one candidate of each minor political
6 party for each partisan office may appear on the ballot for a general
7 election.

8 5. A minor political party must file a copy of the petition
9 required by paragraph (c) of subsection 2 or paragraph (c) of
10 subsection 3 with the Secretary of State before the petition may be
11 circulated for signatures.

12 **Sec. 17.** NRS 293.174 is hereby amended to read as follows:

13 293.174 ~~[1.]~~ If the qualification of a minor political party *to*
14 *place the names of candidates on the ballot pursuant to NRS*
15 *293.1715* is challenged, all affidavits and documents in support of
16 the challenge must be filed not later than 5 p.m. on the third Friday
17 in June. Any judicial proceeding resulting from the challenge must
18 be set for hearing not more than 5 days after the third Friday in June.
19 A challenge pursuant to this ~~[subsection]~~ *section* must be filed with
20 the First Judicial District Court if the petition was filed with the
21 Secretary of State.

22 ~~[2.—If the qualification of a candidate of a minor political party~~
23 ~~other than a candidate for the office of President or Vice President~~
24 ~~of the United States is challenged, all affidavits and documents in~~
25 ~~support of the challenge must be filed not later than 5 p.m. on the~~
26 ~~fourth Monday in March. Any judicial proceeding resulting from~~
27 ~~the challenge must be set for hearing not more than 5 days after the~~
28 ~~fourth Monday in March. A challenge pursuant to this subsection~~
29 ~~must be filed with:~~

30 —(a) The First Judicial District Court; or

31 —(b) ~~If a candidate who filed a declaration of candidacy with a~~
32 ~~county clerk is challenged, the district court for the county where~~
33 ~~the declaration of candidacy was filed.]~~

34 **Sec. 18.** NRS 293.176 is hereby amended to read as follows:

35 293.176 1. Except as otherwise provided in subsection 2, no
36 person may be a candidate of a major political party for partisan
37 office in any election if the person has changed:

38 (a) The designation of his or her political party affiliation; or

39 (b) His or her designation of political party from nonpartisan to
40 a designation of a political party affiliation,

41 ↪ on an application to register to vote in the State of Nevada or in
42 any other state during the time beginning on December 31 preceding
43 the closing filing date for that election and ending on the date of that
44 election whether or not the person's previous registration was still
45 effective at the time of the change in party designation.



2. The provisions of subsection 1 do not apply to any person who is a candidate of a political party that ~~was~~ is not ~~qualified~~ *recognized* pursuant to NRS 293.171 on the December 31 next preceding the closing filing date for the election.

Sec. 19. NRS 293.184 is hereby amended to read as follows:

293.184 **1.** In addition to any other penalty provided by law, if a person ~~knowingly and~~ willfully files a declaration of candidacy or acceptance of candidacy ~~which~~ *knowing that the declaration of candidacy or acceptance of candidacy* contains a false statement:

~~1. The~~

(a) Except as otherwise provided in NRS 293.165 and 293.166, the name of the person must not appear on any ballot for the election for which the person filed the declaration of candidacy or acceptance of candidacy; and

~~2.~~ *(b) The person is disqualified from entering upon the duties of the office for which he or she was a candidate.*

2. If the name of a person who is disqualified from entering upon the duties of an office pursuant to subsection 1 appears on a ballot for the election is disqualified because the deadline set forth in NRS 293.165 and 293.166 for making changes to the ballot has passed, the Secretary of State and county clerk must post a sign at each polling place where the person's name will appear on the ballot informing voters that the person is disqualified from entering upon the duties of office.

Sec. 20. NRS 293.193 is hereby amended to read as follows:

293.193 **1.** ~~Fees~~ *Except as otherwise provided in subsection 6, fees* as listed in this section for filing declarations of candidacy or acceptances of candidacy must be paid to the filing officer by cash, cashier's check or certified check.

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| United States Senator | [\$500] \$3,000 |
| Representative in Congress | [300] 2,000 |
| Governor | [300] 2,000 |
| Justice of the Supreme Court | [300] 1,500 |
| Any state office, other than Governor or justice of the Supreme Court | [200] 1,500 |
| District judge | [150] 500 |
| Justice of the peace | [100] 250 |
| Any county office | [100] 300 |
| State Senator | [100] 300 |
| Assemblyman or Assemblywoman | [100] 300 |
| Any district office other than district judge | [30] 100 |
| Constable or other town or township office | [30] 100 |



1 For the purposes of this subsection, trustee of a county school
2 district, hospital or hospital district is not a county office.

3 2. ~~[No]~~ *Except as otherwise provided in subsections 3 and 6,*
4 *no* filing fee may be required from a candidate for an office the
5 holder of which receives no compensation. *The provisions of this*
6 *subsection apply even if the holder is eligible to receive per diem*
7 *or reimbursement of expenses.*

8 3. *Except in the case of a State Senator, Assemblyman or*
9 *Assemblywoman, and except as otherwise provided in subsection*
10 *6, a filing fee of \$25 is required from a candidate for an office the*
11 *holder of which receives annual compensation in the amount of*
12 *\$1,000 or less.*

13 4. The county clerk shall pay to the county treasurer all filing
14 fees received from candidates. The county treasurer shall deposit the
15 money to the credit of the general fund of the county.

16 ~~[4.]~~ 5. Except as otherwise provided in NRS 293.194, a filing
17 fee paid pursuant to this section is not refundable.

18 6. *A candidate for an office is not required to pay the filing*
19 *fee required pursuant to this section if the candidate files with his*
20 *or her declaration of candidacy or acceptance of candidacy:*

21 (a) *An affidavit, in the form prescribed by the Secretary of*
22 *State and signed under penalty of perjury, that the candidate does*
23 *not have the financial ability to pay the filing fee; and*

24 (b) *A petition to include the candidate on the ballot for the*
25 *relevant office. Such a petition is subject to the requirements set*
26 *forth in NRS 293.12757 to 293.1279, inclusive, must be in the*
27 *form prescribed by the Secretary of State and must contain at least*
28 *a number of signatures of registered voters within the candidate's*
29 *district that is not less than the amount of the filing fee prescribed*
30 *by subsection 1, 2 or 3, as applicable.*

31 **Sec. 21.** NRS 293.257 is hereby amended to read as follows:

32 293.257 1. There must be a separate primary ballot for each
33 major political party. The names of candidates for partisan offices
34 who have designated a major political party in the declaration of
35 candidacy or acceptance of candidacy must appear on the primary
36 ballot of the major political party designated.

37 2. The county clerk may choose to place the names of
38 candidates for nonpartisan offices on the ballots for each major
39 political party or on a separate nonpartisan primary ballot, but the
40 arrangement which the county clerk selects must permit all
41 registered voters to vote on them.

42 3. *A registered voter may cast a primary ballot for a major*
43 *political party at a primary election only if the registered voter*
44 *designated on his or her application to register to vote an*
45 *affiliation with that major political party.*



1 **Sec. 22.** NRS 293.268 is hereby amended to read as follows:

2 293.268 The offices for which there are candidates, the names
3 of the candidates therefor, and the questions to be voted upon must
4 be printed on ballots in the following order:

5 1. President and Vice President of the United States.

6 2. United States Senator and Representative in Congress, in
7 that sequence.

8 3. Governor, Lieutenant Governor, Secretary of State,
9 Treasurer, Controller, ~~and~~ Attorney General ~~and~~ *and justice of the*
10 *Supreme Court*, in that sequence.

11 4. State Senators and members of the Assembly.

12 5. County and township partisan offices.

13 6. ~~[Statewide]~~ *Except as otherwise provided in subsection 3,*
14 *statewide* nonpartisan offices.

15 7. District nonpartisan offices.

16 8. County nonpartisan offices.

17 9. City offices:

18 (a) Mayor;

19 (b) Council members according to ward in numerical order, if
20 no wards, in alphabetical order; and

21 (c) Municipal judges.

22 10. Township nonpartisan offices.

23 11. Questions presented to the voters of the State with advisory
24 questions listed in consecutive order after any other questions
25 presented to the voters of the State.

26 12. Questions presented only to the voters of a special district
27 or political subdivision of the State with advisory questions listed in
28 consecutive order after any other questions presented only to the
29 voters of a special district or political subdivision of the State.

30 **Sec. 23.** NRS 293.333 is hereby amended to read as follows:

31 293.333 On the day of an election, the precinct or district
32 election boards receiving the absent voters' ballots from the county
33 clerk shall, in the presence of a majority of the election board
34 officers, remove the ballots from the ballot box and the containers in
35 which the ballots were transported pursuant to NRS 293.325 and
36 deposit the ballots in the regular ballot box in the following manner:

37 1. The name of the voter, as shown on the return envelope ,
38 ~~or~~ facsimile, *special absent ballot or oath of the voter required*
39 *pursuant to NRS 293.3157, as applicable*, must be called and
40 checked as if the voter were voting in person;

41 2. The signature on the back of the return envelope or on the
42 facsimile , *special absent ballot or oath of the voter required*
43 *pursuant to NRS 293.3157, as applicable*, must be compared with
44 that on the original application to register to vote;



1 3. If the board determines that the absent voter is entitled to
2 cast a ballot, the envelope must be opened, the numbers on the
3 ballot and envelope compared, the number strip or stub detached
4 from the ballot and, if the numbers are the same, the ballot deposited
5 in the regular ballot box; and

6 4. The election board officers shall mark in the roster opposite
7 the name of the voter the word "Voted."

8 **Sec. 24.** NRS 293.3568 is hereby amended to read as follows:

9 293.3568 1. The period for early voting by personal
10 appearance begins the third Saturday preceding a primary or general
11 election and extends through the Friday before election day,
12 Sundays and *federal* holidays excepted.

13 2. The county clerk may:

14 (a) Include any Sunday or *federal* holiday that falls within the
15 period for early voting by personal appearance.

16 (b) Require a permanent polling place for early voting to remain
17 open until 8 p.m. on any Saturday that falls within the period for
18 early voting.

19 3. A permanent polling place for early voting must remain
20 open:

21 (a) On Monday through Friday:

22 (1) During the first week of early voting, from 8 a.m. until
23 6 p.m.

24 (2) During the second week of early voting, from 8 a.m. until
25 6 p.m., or until 8 p.m. if the county clerk so requires.

26 (b) On any Saturday that falls within the period for early voting,
27 for at least 4 hours between 10 a.m. and 6 p.m.

28 (c) If the county clerk includes a Sunday that falls within the
29 period for early voting pursuant to subsection 2, during such hours
30 as the county clerk may establish.

31 **Sec. 25.** NRS 293.368 is hereby amended to read as follows:

32 293.368 1. Whenever a candidate whose name appears upon
33 the ballot at a primary election dies after 5 p.m. of the second
34 Tuesday in April, the deceased candidate's name must remain on the
35 ballot and the votes cast for the deceased candidate must be counted
36 in determining the nomination for the office for which the decedent
37 was a candidate.

38 2. If the deceased candidate on the ballot at the primary
39 election receives the number of votes required to receive the
40 nomination to the office for which he or she was a candidate, except
41 as otherwise provided in subsection 3 of NRS 293.165, the deceased
42 candidate shall be deemed nominated and the vacancy in the
43 nomination must be filled as provided in NRS 293.165 or 293.166.
44 If the deceased person was a candidate for a nonpartisan office, the
45 nomination must be filled pursuant to subsection 2 of NRS 293.165.



1 3. Whenever a candidate whose name appears upon the ballot
2 at a general election dies after 5 p.m. on the ~~first Tuesday after the~~
3 ~~primary election,~~ *fourth Friday in June of the year in which the*
4 *general election is held*, the votes cast for the deceased candidate
5 must be counted in determining the results of the election for the
6 office for which the decedent was a candidate.

7 4. If the deceased candidate on the ballot at the general election
8 receives the majority of the votes cast for the office, the deceased
9 candidate shall be deemed elected and the office to which he or she
10 was elected shall be deemed vacant at the beginning of the term for
11 which he or she was elected. The vacancy thus created must be
12 filled in the same manner as if the candidate had died after taking
13 office for that term.

14 **Sec. 26.** NRS 293.383 is hereby amended to read as follows:

15 293.383 1. Except as otherwise provided in ~~subsection 2,~~
16 *this section*, each counting board, before it adjourns, shall post a
17 copy of the voting results in a conspicuous place on the outside of
18 the place where the votes were counted.

19 2. ~~When~~ *Except as otherwise provided in subsection 3, when*
20 votes are cast on ballots which are mechanically or electronically
21 tabulated in accordance with the provisions of chapter 293B of
22 NRS, the county clerk shall, as soon as possible, post copies of the
23 tabulated voting results in a conspicuous place on the outside of the
24 counting facility or courthouse.

25 3. *The Secretary of State shall notify each county clerk as*
26 *soon as is reasonably practicable when every polling place is*
27 *closed and all votes have been cast. A county clerk shall not post*
28 *copies of the tabulated voting results for a statewide or*
29 *multicounty race or ballot question until the county clerk has*
30 *received notification from the Secretary of State that all polling*
31 *places are closed and all votes have been cast.*

32 4. Each copy of the voting results posted in accordance with
33 subsections 1, ~~and~~ 2 *and 3* must set forth the accumulative total of
34 all the votes cast within the county or other political subdivision
35 conducting the election and must be signed by the members of the
36 counting board or the computer program and processing accuracy
37 board.

38 **Sec. 27.** NRS 293.404 is hereby amended to read as follows:

39 293.404 1. Where a recount is demanded pursuant to the
40 provisions of NRS 293.403, the:

41 (a) County clerk of each county affected by the recount shall
42 employ a recount board to conduct the recount in the county, and
43 shall act as chair of the recount board unless the recount is for the
44 office of county clerk, in which case the registrar of voters of the
45 county, if a registrar of voters has been appointed for the county,



1 shall act as chair of the recount board. If a registrar of voters has not
2 been appointed for the county, the chair of the board of county
3 commissioners, if the chair is not a candidate on the ballot, shall act
4 as chair of the recount board. If the recount is for the office of
5 county clerk, a registrar of voters has not been appointed for the
6 county and the chair of the board of county commissioners is a
7 candidate on the ballot, the chair of the board of county
8 commissioners shall appoint another member of the board of county
9 commissioners who is not a candidate on the ballot to act as chair of
10 the recount board. A member of the board of county commissioners
11 who is a candidate on the ballot may not serve as a member of the
12 recount board.

13 (b) City clerk shall employ a recount board to conduct the
14 recount in the city, and shall act as chair of the recount board unless
15 the recount is for the office of city clerk, in which case the mayor of
16 the city, if the mayor is not a candidate on the ballot, shall act as
17 chair of the recount board. If the recount is for the office of city
18 clerk and the mayor of the city is a candidate on the ballot, the
19 mayor of the city shall appoint another member of the city council
20 who is not a candidate on the ballot to act as chair of the recount
21 board. A member of the city council who is a candidate on the ballot
22 may not serve as a member of the recount board.

23 2. Each candidate for the office affected by the recount and the
24 voter who demanded the recount, if any, may be present in person or
25 by an authorized representative, but may not be a member of the
26 recount board.

27 3. Except in counties or cities using a mechanical voting
28 system, the recount must include a count and inspection of all
29 ballots, including rejected ballots, and must determine whether those
30 ballots are marked as required by law.

31 4. If a recount is demanded in a county or city using a
32 mechanical voting system, the person who demanded the recount
33 shall select the ballots for the office or ballot question affected from
34 ~~§~~:

35 (a) *Five* percent of the precincts, but in no case fewer than three
36 precincts, after notification to each candidate for the office or the
37 candidate's authorized representative ~~§~~; *or*

38 (b) *The absent ballots cast by mail in that county or city.*

39 5. The recount board shall examine the selected ballots,
40 including any duplicate or rejected ballots, shall determine whether
41 the ballots have been voted in accordance with this title and shall
42 count the valid ballots by hand. In addition, a recount by computer
43 must be made of all the selected ballots. If the count by hand or the
44 recount by computer of the selected ballots shows a discrepancy
45 equal to or greater than 1 percent or five votes, whichever is greater,



1 for the candidate demanding the recount or the candidate who won
2 the election according to the original canvass of the returns, or in
3 favor of or against a ballot question, according to the original
4 canvass of the returns, the county or city clerk shall order a count by
5 hand of all the ballots for that office or ballot question. Otherwise,
6 the county or city clerk shall order a recount by computer of all the
7 ballots for all candidates for the office or all the ballots for the ballot
8 question.

9 ~~[5.]~~ 6. The county or city clerk shall unseal and give to the
10 recount board all ballots to be counted.

11 ~~[6.]~~ 7. In the case of a demand for a recount affecting more
12 than one county, the demand must be made to the Secretary of State,
13 who shall notify the county clerks to proceed with the recount.

14 **Sec. 28.** NRS 293.463 is hereby amended to read as follows:

15 293.463 1. Any registered voter may be absent from his or
16 her place of employment at a time to be designated by the employer
17 for a sufficient time to vote ~~[.]~~ *or participate in the nomination*
18 *process for candidates for President of the United States at a*
19 *caucus of a political party*, if it is impracticable for the voter to vote
20 *or participate in the nomination process* before or after his or her
21 hours of employment. A sufficient time to vote shall be determined
22 as follows:

23 (a) If the distance between the place of such voter's employment
24 and the polling place *or place where the caucus is held, as*
25 *applicable*, where such person votes is 2 miles or less, 1 hour.

26 (b) If the distance is more than 2 miles but not more than 10
27 miles, 2 hours.

28 (c) If the distance is more than 10 miles, 3 hours.

29 2. Such voter may not, because of such absence, be discharged,
30 disciplined or penalized, nor shall any deduction be made from his
31 or her usual salary or wages by reason of such absence.

32 3. Application for leave of absence to vote *or participate in the*
33 *nomination process* shall be made to the employer or person
34 authorized to grant such leave prior to the day of the election.

35 4. Any employer or person authorized to grant the leave of
36 absence provided for in subsection 1, who denies any registered
37 voter any right granted under this section, or who otherwise violates
38 the provisions of this section, is guilty of a misdemeanor.

39 **Sec. 29.** NRS 293.4687 is hereby amended to read as follows:

40 293.4687 1. The Secretary of State shall maintain a website
41 on the Internet for public information maintained, collected or
42 compiled by the Secretary of State that relates to elections, which
43 must include, without limitation:



1 (a) The Voters' Bill of Rights required to be posted on the
2 Secretary of State's Internet website pursuant to the provisions of
3 NRS 293.2549;

4 (b) The abstract of votes required to be posted on a website
5 pursuant to the provisions of NRS 293.388;

6 (c) A current list of the registered voters in this State that also
7 indicates the petition district in which each registered voter resides;

8 (d) A map or maps indicating the boundaries of each petition
9 district; and

10 (e) All reports on campaign contributions and expenditures
11 submitted to the Secretary of State pursuant to the provisions of
12 NRS 294A.120, 294A.125, 294A.140, 294A.150, 294A.200,
13 294A.210, 294A.220, 294A.270, 294A.280, 294A.283, 294A.360
14 and 294A.362 *and section 38 of this act* and all reports on
15 contributions received by and expenditures made from a legal
16 defense fund *or used to pay for legal expenses* submitted to the
17 Secretary of State pursuant to NRS 294A.286.

18 2. The abstract of votes required to be maintained on the
19 website pursuant to paragraph (b) of subsection 1 must be
20 maintained in such a format as to permit the searching of the
21 abstract of votes for specific information.

22 3. If the information required to be maintained by the Secretary
23 of State pursuant to subsection 1 may be obtained by the public
24 from a website on the Internet maintained by a county clerk or city
25 clerk, the Secretary of State may provide a hyperlink to that website
26 to comply with the provisions of subsection 1 with regard to that
27 information.

28 **Sec. 30.** NRS 293.487 is hereby amended to read as follows:

29 293.487 No person may gain or lose residence by reason of his
30 or her presence or absence while ~~employed~~ :

31 1. *Employed* in the military, naval or civil service of the United
32 States or of the State of Nevada, or while engaged in the navigation
33 of the waters of the United States or of the high seas ~~[-or while a]~~ *or*
34 *while married to another person who is so employed or engaged;*

35 2. *A student at any seminary or other institution of learning* ~~[-~~
36 ~~or while an]~~ ; *or*

37 3. *An inmate of any public institution.*

38 **Sec. 31.** Chapter 293C of NRS is hereby amended by adding
39 thereto a new section to read as follows:

40 1. *Except as otherwise provided in this section, a person may*
41 *not submit and the city clerk shall not accept a declaration of*
42 *candidacy or acceptance of candidacy if a civil penalty has been*
43 *issued or a fine imposed against the person for a violation of any*
44 *provision of this title and the civil penalty or fine remains unpaid.*



1 2. *Notwithstanding the provisions of subsection 1, a person*
2 *described in subsection 1 may submit and the city clerk shall*
3 *accept the declaration of candidacy or acceptance of candidacy if*
4 *the unpaid civil penalty or fine is under appeal and the person*
5 *posts a bond with the Secretary of State for the same amount as*
6 *the unpaid civil penalty or fine.*

7 3. *Not later than 15 days before the first day for filing a*
8 *declaration of candidacy or acceptance of candidacy set forth in*
9 *NRS 293C.185, the Secretary of State shall notify each city clerk*
10 *of, and post on the Secretary of State's Internet website, the name*
11 *of any person who is prohibited from filing a declaration of*
12 *candidacy or acceptance of candidacy pursuant to this section.*

13 **Sec. 32.** NRS 293C.1865 is hereby amended to read as
14 follows:

15 293C.1865 1. In addition to any other penalty provided by
16 law, if a person ~~[knowingly and]~~ willfully files a declaration of
17 candidacy or acceptance of candidacy ~~[which]~~ *knowing that the*
18 *declaration of candidacy or acceptance of candidacy* contains a
19 false statement:

20 ~~[1. The]~~

21 (a) *Except as otherwise provided in NRS 293.165 or 293.166,*
22 *the name of the person must not appear on any ballot for the*
23 *election for which the person filed the declaration of candidacy or*
24 *acceptance of candidacy; and*

25 ~~[2.]~~ (b) The person is disqualified from entering upon the duties
26 of the office for which he or she was a candidate.

27 2. *If the name of a person who is disqualified from entering*
28 *upon the duties of an office pursuant to subsection 1 appears on a*
29 *ballot for the election is disqualified because the deadline set forth*
30 *in NRS 293.165 and 293.166 for making changes to the ballot has*
31 *passed, the Secretary of State and city clerk must post a sign at*
32 *each polling place where the person's name will appear on the*
33 *ballot informing voters that the person is disqualified from*
34 *entering upon the duties of office.*

35 **Sec. 33.** NRS 293C.332 is hereby amended to read as follows:

36 293C.332 On the day of an election, the precinct or district
37 election boards receiving the absent voters' ballots from the city
38 clerk shall, in the presence of a majority of the election board
39 officers, remove the ballots from the ballot box and the containers in
40 which the ballots were transported pursuant to NRS 293C.325 and
41 deposit the ballots in the regular ballot box in the following manner:

42 1. The name of the voter, as shown on the return envelope ,
43 ~~[or]~~ facsimile, *special absent ballot or oath of the voter required*
44 *pursuant to NRS 293.3157, as applicable,* must be called and
45 checked as if the voter were voting in person;



1 2. The signature on the back of the return envelope or on the
2 facsimile , *special absent ballot or oath of the voter required*
3 *pursuant to NRS 293.3157, as applicable*, must be compared with
4 that on the original application to register to vote;

5 3. If the board determines that the absent voter is entitled to
6 cast a ballot, the envelope must be opened, the numbers on the
7 ballot and envelope compared, the number strip or stub detached
8 from the ballot and, if the numbers are the same, the ballot deposited
9 in the regular ballot box; and

10 4. The election board officers shall mark in the roster opposite
11 the name of the voter the word "Voted."

12 **Sec. 34.** NRS 293C.3568 is hereby amended to read as
13 follows:

14 293C.3568 1. The period for early voting by personal
15 appearance begins the third Saturday preceding a primary city
16 election or general city election, and extends through the Friday
17 before election day, Sundays and *federal* holidays excepted.

18 2. The city clerk may:

19 (a) Include any Sunday or *federal* holiday that falls within the
20 period for early voting by personal appearance.

21 (b) Require a permanent polling place for early voting to remain
22 open until 8 p.m. on any Saturday that falls within the period for
23 early voting.

24 3. A permanent polling place for early voting must remain
25 open:

26 (a) On Monday through Friday:

27 (1) During the first week of early voting, from 8 a.m. until
28 6 p.m.

29 (2) During the second week of early voting, from 8 a.m. until
30 6 p.m., or until 8 p.m. if the city clerk so requires.

31 (b) On any Saturday that falls within the period for early voting,
32 for at least 4 hours between 10 a.m. and 6 p.m.

33 (c) If the city clerk includes a Sunday that falls within the period
34 for early voting pursuant to subsection 2, during such hours as the
35 city clerk may establish.

36 **Sec. 35.** Chapter 294A of NRS is hereby amended by adding
37 thereto the provisions set forth as sections 36, 37 and 38 of this act.

38 **Sec. 36.** *"Advocates expressly" or "expressly advocates"*
39 *means that a communication, taken as a whole, is susceptible to*
40 *no other reasonable interpretation other than as an appeal to vote*
41 *for or against a clearly identified candidate or group or candidates*
42 *or a question or group of questions on the ballot at a primary*
43 *election, primary city election, general election, general city*
44 *election or special election. A communication does not have to*
45 *include the words "vote for," "vote against," "elect," "support" or*



1 *other similar language to be considered a communication that*
2 *expressly advocates the passage or defeat of a candidate or a*
3 *question.*

4 **Sec. 37. 1.** *A person, committee for political action,*
5 *political party or committee sponsored by a political party that*
6 *makes an expenditure of more than \$100 for the purpose of*
7 *financing a communication, including, without limitation, an*
8 *electioneering communication, through any television or radio*
9 *broadcast, newspaper, magazine, outdoor advertising facility,*
10 *mailing or any other type of general public political advertising*
11 *that:*

12 (a) *Advocates expressly the election or defeat of a clearly*
13 *identified candidate or group of candidates; or*

14 (b) *Solicits a contribution through any television or radio*
15 *broadcast, newspaper, magazine, outdoor advertising facility,*
16 *mailing or any other type of general public political advertising,*

17 *↳ shall disclose on the communication the name of the person,*
18 *committee for political action, political party or committee*
19 *sponsored by a political party that paid for the communication.*

20 2. *If a communication described in subsection 1 is approved*
21 *by a candidate, in addition to the requirements of subsection 1, the*
22 *communication must state that the candidate approved the*
23 *communication and disclose the street address, telephone number*
24 *and Internet address, if any, of the person, committee for political*
25 *action, political party or committee sponsored by a political party*
26 *that paid for the communication.*

27 3. *A person, committee for political action, political party or*
28 *committee sponsored by a political party that has an Internet*
29 *website available for viewing by the general public or that sends*
30 *out an electronic mailing to more than 500 people that:*

31 (a) *Advocates expressly the election or defeat of a clearly*
32 *identified candidate or group of candidates; or*

33 (b) *Solicits a contribution through any television or radio*
34 *broadcast, newspaper, magazine, outdoor advertising facility,*
35 *mailing or any other type of general public political advertising,*

36 *↳ shall disclose on the Internet website or electronic mailing, as*
37 *applicable, the name of the person, committee for political action,*
38 *political party or committee sponsored by a political party.*

39 4. *The disclosures and statements required pursuant to this*
40 *section must be clear and conspicuous, and easy to read or hear,*
41 *as applicable.*

42 5. *As used in this section, “electioneering communication”*
43 *has the meaning ascribed to it in 11 C.F.R. § 100.29.*

44 **Sec. 38. 1.** *Every person who is not under the direction or*
45 *control of a candidate for office at a primary election, primary city*



1 *election, general election or general city election, of a group of*
2 *such candidates or of any person involved in the campaign of that*
3 *candidate or group who makes an expenditure on behalf of*
4 *the candidate or group which is not solicited or approved by the*
5 *candidate or group, and every committee for political action,*
6 *political party or committee sponsored by a political party which*
7 *makes an expenditure on behalf of such a candidate or group of*
8 *candidates shall, report each expenditure in excess of \$5,000 and*
9 *expenditures to the same payee which cumulatively exceed \$5,000*
10 *that have not been reported previously pursuant to NRS 294A.210.*
11 *Such a report must be on the form designed and provided by the*
12 *Secretary of State pursuant to NRS 294A.373. The form must be*
13 *signed by the person or a representative of the committee or*
14 *political party under penalty of perjury.*

15 2. *The reporting requirements set forth in subsection 1 apply*
16 *to the person, committee or political party beginning on January 1*
17 *of the year of the general election or general city election for the*
18 *office until 20 days preceding the general election or general city*
19 *election for that office.*

20 3. *Expenditures made within this State or made elsewhere but*
21 *for use within this State, including expenditures made outside the*
22 *State for printing, television and radio broadcasting or other*
23 *production of the media, must be included in the report.*

24 4. *The reports must be filed with:*

25 (a) *If the candidate is elected from one county, the county*
26 *clerk of that county;*

27 (b) *If the candidate is elected from one city, the city clerk of*
28 *that city; or*

29 (c) *If the candidate is elected from more than one county or*
30 *city, the Secretary of State.*

31 5. *If an expenditure is made on behalf of a group of*
32 *candidates, the reports must be itemized by the candidate. A*
33 *person may mail or transmit the report to the appropriate officer*
34 *by regular mail, certified mail, facsimile machine or electronic*
35 *means. A report shall be deemed to be filed with the officer on the*
36 *date that it was received by the officer, regardless of whether the*
37 *report was sent by regular mail or certified mail, transmitted by*
38 *facsimile machine or electronic means, or delivered personally.*

39 6. *Each county clerk or city clerk who receives a report*
40 *pursuant to this section shall file a copy of the report with the*
41 *Secretary of State within 10 working days after receiving the*
42 *report.*

43 7. *The Secretary of State may adopt regulations to carry out*
44 *the provisions of this section.*



1 **Sec. 39.** NRS 294A.002 is hereby amended to read as follows:
2 294A.002 As used in this chapter, unless the context otherwise
3 requires, the words and terms defined in NRS ~~[294A.003]~~ **294A.004**
4 to 294A.009, inclusive, *and section 36 of this act* have the
5 meanings ascribed to them in those sections.

6 **Sec. 40.** NRS 294A.007 is hereby amended to read as follows:
7 294A.007 1. "Contribution" means a gift, loan, conveyance,
8 deposit, payment, transfer or distribution of money or of anything of
9 value other than the services of a volunteer, and includes:

10 (a) The payment by any person, other than a candidate, of
11 compensation for the personal services of another person which are
12 rendered to a:

13 (1) Candidate;

14 (2) Person who is not under the direction or control of a
15 candidate or group of candidates or of any person involved in the
16 campaign of the candidate or group who makes an expenditure on
17 behalf of the candidate or group which is not solicited or approved
18 by the candidate or group;

19 (3) Committee for political action, political party ~~[;]~~ *or*
20 committee sponsored by a political party ~~[or business entity]~~ which
21 makes an expenditure on behalf of a candidate or group of
22 candidates; or

23 (4) Person or group of persons organized formally or
24 informally ~~[, including a business entity,]~~ who advocates the passage
25 or defeat of a question or group of questions on the ballot,

26 ↳ without charge to the candidate, person, committee or political
27 party.

28 (b) The value of services provided in kind for which money
29 would have otherwise been paid, such as paid polling and resulting
30 data, paid direct mail, paid solicitation by telephone, any paid
31 paraphernalia that was printed or otherwise produced to promote a
32 campaign and the use of paid personnel to assist in a campaign.

33 2. As used in this section, "volunteer" means a person who
34 does not receive compensation of any kind, directly or indirectly, for
35 the services provided to a campaign.

36 **Sec. 41.** NRS 294A.100 is hereby amended to read as follows:
37 294A.100 1. A person shall not make a contribution or
38 contributions to a candidate for any office, except a federal office, in
39 an amount which exceeds \$5,000 for the primary election or primary
40 city election, regardless of the number of candidates for the office,
41 and \$5,000 for the general election or general city election,
42 regardless of the number of candidates for the office, during the
43 period:

44 (a) Beginning from 30 days before the regular session of the
45 Legislature immediately following the last election for the office



1 and ending 30 days before the regular session of the Legislature
2 immediately following the next election for the office, if that office
3 is a state, district, county or township office; or

4 (b) Beginning from 30 days after the last election for the office
5 and ending 30 days before the next general city election for the
6 office, if that office is a city office.

7 2. A candidate shall not accept a contribution made in violation
8 of subsection 1.

9 3. *A person shall not make a contribution or contributions to
10 a committee for political action in an amount which exceeds
11 \$5,000 for the primary election or primary city election, and
12 \$5,000 for the general election or general city election, if the
13 purpose for which the committee for political action was organized
14 is solely for the support or opposition of a single candidate, except
15 for a candidate for federal office.*

16 4. A person who willfully violates any provision of this section
17 is guilty of a category E felony and shall be punished as provided in
18 NRS 193.130.

19 **Sec. 42.** NRS 294A.120 is hereby amended to read as follows:

20 294A.120 1. Every candidate for state, district, county or
21 township office at a primary or general election shall, not later than
22 January 15 of each year, for the period from January 1 of the
23 previous year through December 31 of the previous year, report
24 each campaign contribution in excess of \$100 received during the
25 period and contributions received during the period from a
26 contributor which cumulatively exceed \$100. The provisions of this
27 subsection apply to the candidate beginning the year of the general
28 election for that office through the year immediately preceding the
29 next general election for that office.

30 2. Every candidate for state, district, county or township office
31 at a primary or general election shall, if the general election for the
32 office for which he or she is a candidate is held on or after January 1
33 and before the July 1 immediately following that January 1, not later
34 than:

35 (a) ~~Seven~~ *Twenty-one* days before the primary election for that
36 office, for the period from the January 1 immediately preceding the
37 primary election through ~~12~~ *25* days before the primary election;

38 (b) ~~Seven~~ *Four* days before the ~~general~~ *primary* election for
39 that office, for the period from ~~11~~ *24* days before the primary
40 election through ~~12~~ *5* days before the ~~general election; and~~

41 ~~—(c) July 15 of the year of~~ *primary election;*

42 (c) *Twenty-one days before* the general election for that office,
43 for the period from ~~11~~ *4* days before the ~~general~~ *primary* election
44 through ~~June 30 of that year,~~ *25 days before the general election;*
45 *and*



1 *(d) Four days before the general election for that office, for*
2 *the period from 24 days before the general election through 5 days*
3 *before the general election,*

4 ↪ report each campaign contribution in excess of \$100 received
5 during the period and contributions received during the period from
6 a contributor which cumulatively exceed \$100. The report must be
7 completed on the form designed and provided by the Secretary of
8 State pursuant to NRS 294A.373. Each form must be signed by the
9 candidate under penalty of perjury.

10 3. Every candidate for state, district, county or township office
11 at a primary or general election shall, if the general election for the
12 office for which he or she is a candidate is held on or after July 1
13 and before the January 1 immediately following that July 1, not later
14 than:

15 (a) ~~[Seven]~~ *Twenty-one* days before the primary election for that
16 office, for the period from the January 1 immediately preceding the
17 primary election through ~~[+2]~~ 25 days before the primary election;

18 ~~[and~~

19 ~~—(b) Seven]~~

20 (b) *Four* days before the ~~[general]~~ *primary* election for that
21 office, for the period from ~~[+1]~~ 24 days before the primary election
22 through ~~[+2]~~ 5 days before the ~~[general election.]~~ *primary election;*

23 (c) *Twenty-one days before the general election for that office,*
24 *for the period from 4 days before the primary election through 25*
25 *days before the general election; and*

26 (d) *Four days before the general election for that office, for*
27 *the period from 24 days before the general election through 5 days*
28 *before the general election,*

29 ↪ report each campaign contribution in excess of \$100 received
30 during the period and contributions received during the period from
31 a contributor which cumulatively exceed \$100. The report must be
32 completed on the form designed and provided by the Secretary of
33 State pursuant to NRS 294A.373. Each form must be signed by the
34 candidate under penalty of perjury.

35 4. Except as otherwise provided in subsection 5, every
36 candidate for a district office at a special election shall, not later
37 than:

38 (a) Seven days before the special election, for the period from
39 the candidate's nomination through 12 days before the special
40 election; and

41 (b) Thirty days after the special election, for the remaining
42 period through the special election,

43 ↪ report each campaign contribution in excess of \$100 received
44 during the period and contributions received during the reporting
45 period from a contributor which cumulatively exceed \$100. The



1 report must be completed on the form designed and provided by the
2 Secretary of State pursuant to NRS 294A.373. Each form must be
3 signed by the candidate under penalty of perjury.

4 5. Every candidate for state, district, county, municipal or
5 township office at a special election to determine whether a public
6 officer will be recalled shall list each of the campaign contributions
7 received on the form designed and provided by the Secretary of
8 State pursuant to NRS 294A.373 and signed by the candidate under
9 penalty of perjury, 30 days after:

10 (a) The special election, for the period from the filing of the
11 notice of intent to circulate the petition for recall through the special
12 election; or

13 (b) A district court determines that the petition for recall is
14 legally insufficient pursuant to subsection 6 of NRS 306.040, for the
15 period from the filing of the notice of intent to circulate the petition
16 for recall through the date of the district court's decision.

17 6. Reports of campaign contributions must be filed with the
18 officer with whom the candidate filed the declaration of candidacy
19 or acceptance of candidacy. A candidate may mail or transmit the
20 report to that officer by regular mail, certified mail, facsimile
21 machine or electronic means. A report shall be deemed to be filed
22 with the officer ~~if~~:

23 ~~—(a) On the date that it was mailed if it was sent by certified mail;~~
24 ~~or~~

25 ~~—(b) On~~ *on* the date that it was received by the officer ~~if~~ *if* ,
26 *regardless of whether* the report was sent by regular *mail or*
27 *certified* mail, transmitted by facsimile machine or electronic
28 means, or delivered personally.

29 7. Every county clerk who receives from candidates for
30 legislative or judicial office, including, without limitation, the office
31 of justice of the peace or municipal judge, reports of campaign
32 contributions pursuant to this section shall file a copy of each report
33 with the Secretary of State within 10 working days after receiving
34 the report.

35 8. The name and address of the contributor and the date on
36 which the contribution was received must be included on the report
37 for each contribution in excess of \$100 and contributions which a
38 contributor has made cumulatively in excess of that amount since
39 the beginning of the current reporting period.

40 **Sec. 43.** NRS 294A.125 is hereby amended to read as follows:

41 294A.125 1. In addition to complying with the requirements
42 set forth in NRS 294A.120, 294A.200 and 294A.360, a candidate
43 who receives contributions in any year before the year in which the
44 general election or general city election in which the candidate
45 intends to seek election to public office is held shall, for:



1 (a) The year in which the candidate receives contributions in
2 excess of \$10,000, list each of the contributions received and the
3 expenditures in excess of \$100 made in that year.

4 (b) Each year after the year in which the candidate received
5 contributions in excess of \$10,000, until the year of the general
6 election or general city election in which the candidate intends to
7 seek election to public office is held, list each of the contributions
8 received and the expenditures in excess of \$100 made in that year.

9 2. The reports required by subsection 1 must be submitted on
10 the form designed and provided by the Secretary of State pursuant to
11 NRS 294A.373. Each form must be signed by the candidate under
12 penalty of perjury.

13 3. The name and address of the contributor and the date on
14 which the contribution was received must be included on the list for
15 each contribution in excess of \$100 and contributions that a
16 contributor has made cumulatively in excess of that amount.

17 4. The report must be filed:

18 (a) With the officer with whom the candidate will file the
19 declaration of candidacy or acceptance of candidacy for the public
20 office the candidate intends to seek. A candidate may mail or
21 transmit the report to that officer by regular mail, certified mail,
22 facsimile machine or electronic means. A report shall be deemed to
23 be filed with the officer:

24 ~~[(1) On the date it was mailed if it was sent by certified mail.~~

25 ~~— (2) On]~~ *on* the date it was received by the officer ~~[(if]~~ ,
26 *regardless of whether* the report was sent by regular *mail or*
27 *certified* mail, transmitted by facsimile machine or electronic
28 means, or delivered personally.

29 (b) On or before January 15 of the year immediately after the
30 year for which the report is made.

31 5. A county clerk who receives from a candidate for legislative
32 or judicial office, including, without limitation, the office of justice
33 of the peace or municipal judge, a report of contributions and
34 expenditures pursuant to subsection 4 shall file a copy of the report
35 with the Secretary of State within 10 working days after receiving
36 the report.

37 **Sec. 44.** NRS 294A.140 is hereby amended to read as follows:

38 294A.140 1. Every person who is not under the direction or
39 control of a candidate for office at a primary election, primary city
40 election, general election or general city election, of a group of such
41 candidates or of any person involved in the campaign of that
42 candidate or group who makes an expenditure on behalf of
43 the candidate or group which is not solicited or approved by the
44 candidate or group, and every committee for political action,
45 political party ~~[(and]~~ *and* committee sponsored by a political party ~~[and]~~



1 ~~business entity~~ which *receives contributions in excess of \$100 or*
2 makes an expenditure on behalf of such a candidate or group of
3 candidates shall, not later than January 15 of each year that the
4 provisions of this subsection apply to the person, committee ~~or~~
5 political party, ~~for business entity,~~ for the period from January 1 of
6 the previous year through December 31 of the previous year, report
7 each campaign contribution in excess of \$100 received during the
8 period and contributions received during the period from a
9 contributor which cumulatively exceed \$100. The provisions of this
10 subsection apply to the person, committee ~~or~~ political party ~~for~~
11 ~~business entity~~ beginning the year of the general election or general
12 city election for that office through the year immediately preceding
13 the next general election or general city election for that office.

14 2. Every person, committee ~~or~~ political party ~~for business~~
15 ~~entity~~ described in subsection 1 which makes an expenditure on
16 behalf of the candidate for office at a primary election, primary city
17 election, general election or general city election or on behalf of a
18 group of such candidates shall, if the general election or general city
19 election for the office for which the candidate or a candidate in the
20 group of candidates seeks election is held on or after January 1 and
21 before the July 1 immediately following that January 1, not later
22 than:

23 (a) ~~Seven~~ *Twenty-one* days before the primary election
24 or primary city election for that office, for the period from the
25 January 1 immediately preceding the primary election or primary
26 city election through ~~H2~~ *25* days before the primary election or
27 primary city election;

28 (b) ~~Seven~~ *Four* days before the ~~general~~ *primary* election or
29 ~~general~~ *primary* city election for that office, for the period from
30 ~~H1~~ *24* days before the primary election or primary city election
31 through ~~H2~~ *5* days before the ~~general~~ *primary* election or
32 ~~general~~ *primary* city election; ~~and~~

33 ~~—(c) July 15 of the year of~~

34 (c) *Twenty-one days before* the general election or general city
35 election for that office, for the period from ~~H1~~ *4* days before the
36 ~~general~~ *primary* election or ~~general~~ *primary* city election
37 through ~~June 30 of that year,~~ *25 days before the general election*
38 *or general city election; and*

39 (d) *Four days before the general election or general city*
40 *election for that office, for the period from 24 days before the*
41 *general election or general city election through 5 days before the*
42 *general election or general city election,*

43 ↪ report each campaign contribution in excess of \$100 received
44 during the period and contributions received during the period from
45 a contributor which cumulatively exceed \$100. The report must be



1 completed on the form designed and provided by the Secretary of
2 State pursuant to NRS 294A.373. The form must be signed by the
3 person or a representative of the committee ~~[] or~~ political party ~~or~~
4 ~~business entity~~ under penalty of perjury.

5 3. The name and address of the contributor and the date on
6 which the contribution was received must be included on the report
7 for each contribution in excess of \$100 and contributions which a
8 contributor has made cumulatively in excess of \$100 since the
9 beginning of the current reporting period.

10 4. Every person, committee ~~[] or~~ political party ~~or business~~
11 ~~entity~~ described in subsection 1 which makes an expenditure on
12 behalf of a candidate for office at a primary election, primary city
13 election, general election or general city election or on behalf of a
14 group of such candidates shall, if the general election or general city
15 election for the office for which the candidate or a candidate in the
16 group of candidates seeks election is held on or after July 1 and
17 before the January 1 immediately following that July 1, not later
18 than:

19 (a) ~~[Seven]~~ *Twenty-one* days before the primary election
20 or primary city election for that office, for the period from the
21 January 1 immediately preceding the primary election or primary
22 city election through ~~[12]~~ *25* days before the primary election or
23 primary city election; ~~and~~

24 (b) ~~[Seven]~~ *Four* days before the ~~[general]~~ *primary* election or
25 ~~[general]~~ *primary* city election for that office, for the period from
26 ~~[11]~~ *24* days before the primary election or primary city election
27 through ~~[12]~~ *5* days before the ~~[general]~~ *primary* election or
28 ~~[general]~~ *primary* city election ~~[]~~ ;

29 (c) *Twenty-one days before the general election or general city*
30 *election for that office, for the period from 4 days before the*
31 *primary election or primary city election through 25 days before*
32 *the general election or general city election; and*

33 (d) *Four days before the general election or general city*
34 *election for that office, for the period from 24 days before the*
35 *general election or general city election through 5 days before the*
36 *general election or general city election,*

37 ↪ report each campaign contribution in excess of \$100 received
38 during the period and contributions received during the period from
39 a contributor which cumulatively exceed \$100. The report must be
40 completed on the form designed and provided by the Secretary of
41 State pursuant to NRS 294A.373. The form must be signed by the
42 person or a representative of the committee ~~[] or~~ political party ~~or~~
43 ~~business entity~~ under penalty of perjury.

44 5. Except as otherwise provided in subsection 6, every person,
45 committee ~~[] or~~ political party ~~or business entity~~ described in



1 subsection 1 which makes an expenditure on behalf of a candidate
2 for office at a special election or on behalf of a group of such
3 candidates shall, not later than:

4 (a) Seven days before the special election for the office for
5 which the candidate or a candidate in the group of candidates seeks
6 election, for the period from the nomination of the candidate
7 through 12 days before the special election; and

8 (b) Thirty days after the special election, for the remaining
9 period through the special election,

10 ↪ report each campaign contribution in excess of \$100 received
11 during the period and contributions received during the period from
12 a contributor which cumulatively exceed \$100. The report must be
13 completed on the form designed and provided by the Secretary of
14 State pursuant to NRS 294A.373. The form must be signed by the
15 person or a representative of the committee ~~[] or political party [or~~
16 ~~business entity]~~ under penalty of perjury.

17 6. Every person, committee ~~[] or political party [or business~~
18 ~~entity]~~ described in subsection 1 which makes an expenditure on
19 behalf of a candidate for office at a special election to determine
20 whether a public officer will be recalled or on behalf of a group of
21 candidates for offices at such special elections shall report each
22 contribution in excess of \$100 received during the period and
23 contributions received during the period from a contributor which
24 cumulatively exceed \$100. The report must be completed on the
25 form designed and provided by the Secretary of State pursuant to
26 NRS 294A.373 and signed by the person or a representative of the
27 committee ~~[] or political party [or business entity]~~ under penalty of
28 perjury, 30 days after:

29 (a) The special election, for the period from the filing of the
30 notice of intent to circulate the petition for recall through the special
31 election; or

32 (b) If the special election is not held because a district court
33 determines that the petition for recall is legally insufficient pursuant
34 to subsection 6 of NRS 306.040, for the period from the filing of the
35 notice of intent to circulate the petition for recall through the date of
36 the district court's decision.

37 7. The reports of contributions required pursuant to this section
38 must be filed with:

39 (a) If the candidate is elected from one county, the county clerk
40 of that county;

41 (b) If the candidate is elected from one city, the city clerk of that
42 city; or

43 (c) If the candidate is elected from more than one county or city,
44 the Secretary of State.



1 8. A person ~~{or entity}~~, *committee or political party* may file
2 the report with the appropriate officer by regular mail, certified
3 mail, facsimile machine or electronic means. A report shall be
4 deemed to be filed with the officer ~~:~~

5 ~~—(a) On the date that it was mailed if it was sent by certified mail;~~
6 ~~or~~

7 ~~—(b) On} on~~ the date that it was received by the officer ~~{if}~~,
8 *regardless of whether* the report was sent by regular *mail or*
9 *certified* mail, transmitted by facsimile machine or electronic
10 means, or delivered personally.

11 9. Each county clerk or city clerk who receives a report
12 pursuant to this section shall file a copy of the report with the
13 Secretary of State within 10 working days after receiving the report.

14 10. Every person, committee ~~{}~~ *or* political party ~~{or business~~
15 ~~entity}~~ described in subsection 1 shall file a report required by this
16 section even if the person, committee ~~{}~~ *or* political party ~~{or~~
17 ~~business entity}~~ receives no contributions.

18 **Sec. 45.** NRS 294A.150 is hereby amended to read as follows:

19 294A.150 1. Except as otherwise provided in NRS
20 294A.283, every person or group of persons organized formally or
21 informally ~~{, including a business entity,}~~ who advocates the passage
22 or defeat of a question or group of questions on the ballot at a
23 primary election, primary city election, general election or general
24 city election and who receives or expends money in an amount in
25 excess of \$10,000 to advocate the passage or defeat of such question
26 or group of questions shall, not later than January 15 of each year
27 that the provisions of this subsection apply to the person ~~{}~~ *or* group
28 of persons, ~~{or business entity,}~~ for the period from January 1 of the
29 previous year through December 31 of the previous year, report
30 each campaign contribution in excess of \$1,000 received during that
31 period and contributions received during the period from a
32 contributor which cumulatively exceed \$1,000. The report must be
33 completed on the form designed and provided by the Secretary of
34 State pursuant to NRS 294A.373. The form must be signed by the
35 person or a representative of the group ~~{or business entity}~~ under
36 penalty of perjury. The provisions of this subsection apply to the
37 person ~~{}~~ *or* group of persons : ~~{or business entity;}~~

38 (a) Each year in which:

39 (1) An election or city election is held for each question for
40 which the person ~~{}~~ *or* group of persons ~~{or business entity}~~
41 advocates passage or defeat; or

42 (2) A person ~~{}~~ *or* group of persons ~~{or business entity}~~
43 receives or expends money in excess of \$10,000 to advocate the
44 passage or defeat of a question or group of questions on the ballot at



1 a primary election, primary city election, general election or general
2 city election; and

3 (b) The year after each year described in paragraph (a).

4 2. If a question is on the ballot at a primary election or primary
5 city election and the general election or general city election
6 immediately following that primary election or primary city election
7 is held on or after January 1 and before the July 1 immediately
8 following that January 1, every person or group of persons
9 organized formally or informally ~~[, including a business entity.]~~ who
10 advocates the passage or defeat of the question or a group of
11 questions that includes the question and who receives or expends
12 money in an amount in excess of \$10,000 to advocate the passage or
13 defeat of such question or group of questions shall comply with the
14 requirements of this subsection. If a question is on the ballot at a
15 general election or general city election held on or after January 1
16 and before the July 1 immediately following that January 1, every
17 person or group of persons organized formally or informally ~~[,~~
18 ~~including a business entity.]~~ who advocates the passage or defeat of
19 the question or a group of questions that includes the question and
20 who receives or expends money in an amount in excess of \$10,000
21 to advocate the passage or defeat of such question or group of
22 questions shall comply with the requirements of this subsection. A
23 person ~~[,]~~ or group of persons ~~[or business entity]~~ described in this
24 subsection shall, not later than:

25 (a) ~~[Seven]~~ *Twenty-one* days before the primary election or
26 primary city election, for the period from the January 1 immediately
27 preceding the primary election or primary city election through ~~[12]~~
28 *25* days before the primary election or primary city election;

29 (b) ~~[Seven]~~ *Four* days before the ~~[general]~~ *primary* election or
30 ~~[general]~~ *primary* city election, for the period from ~~[11]~~ *24* days
31 before the primary election or primary city election through ~~[12]~~ *5*
32 days before the ~~[general]~~ *primary* election or ~~[general]~~ *primary* city
33 election; ~~and~~

34 ~~—(c) July 15 of the year of]~~

35 (c) *Twenty-one days before* the general election or general city
36 election, for the period from ~~[11]~~ *4* days before the ~~[general]~~
37 *primary* election or ~~[general]~~ *primary* city election through ~~[June 30]~~
38 ~~of that year.]~~ *25 days before the general election or general city*
39 *election; and*

40 (d) *Four days before the general election or general city*
41 *election, for the period from 24 days before the general election or*
42 *general city election through 5 days before the general election or*
43 *general city election,*

44 ➔ report each campaign contribution in excess of \$1,000 received
45 during the period and contributions received during the period from



1 a contributor which cumulatively exceed \$1,000. The report must be
2 completed on the form designed and provided by the Secretary of
3 State pursuant to NRS 294A.373 and signed by the person or a
4 representative of the group ~~{or business entity}~~ under penalty of
5 perjury.

6 3. The name and address of the contributor and the date on
7 which the contribution was received must be included on the report
8 for each contribution in excess of \$1,000 and contributions which a
9 contributor has made cumulatively in excess of that amount since
10 the beginning of the current reporting period.

11 4. If a question is on the ballot at a primary election or primary
12 city election and the general election or general city election
13 immediately following that primary election or primary city election
14 is held on or after July 1 and before the January 1 immediately
15 following that July 1, every person or group of persons organized
16 formally or informally ~~{, including a business entity,}~~ who advocates
17 the passage or defeat of the question or a group of questions that
18 includes the question and who receives or expends money in an
19 amount in excess of \$10,000 to advocate the passage or defeat of
20 such question or group of questions shall comply with the
21 requirements of this subsection. Except as otherwise provided in
22 NRS 294A.283, if a question is on the ballot at a general election or
23 general city election held on or after July 1 and before the January 1
24 immediately following that July 1, every person or group of persons
25 organized formally or informally ~~{, including a business entity,}~~ who
26 advocates the passage or defeat of the question or a group of
27 questions that includes the question and who receives or expends
28 money in an amount in excess of \$10,000 to advocate the passage or
29 defeat of such question or group of questions shall comply with the
30 requirements of this subsection. A person ~~{,}~~ or group of persons ~~{or~~
31 ~~business entity}~~ described in this subsection shall, not later than:

32 (a) ~~{Seven}~~ *Twenty-one* days before the primary election or
33 primary city election, for the period from the January 1 immediately
34 preceding the primary election or primary city election through ~~{H2}~~
35 *25* days before the primary election or primary city election; ~~{and~~
36 ~~—(b) Seven}~~

37 (b) *Four* days before the ~~{general}~~ *primary* election or ~~{general}~~
38 *primary* city election, for the period from ~~{H1}~~ *24* days before the
39 primary election or primary city election through ~~{H2}~~ *5* days before
40 the ~~{general}~~ *primary* election or ~~{general}~~ *primary* city election ~~{,}~~ ;

41 (c) *Twenty-one days before the general election or general city*
42 *election, for the period from 4 days before the primary election or*
43 *primary city election through 25 days before the general election*
44 *or general city election; and*



1 (d) *Four days before the general election or general city*
2 *election, for the period from 24 days before the general election or*
3 *general city election through 5 days before the general election or*
4 *general city election,*

5 ↪ report each campaign contribution in excess of \$1,000 received
6 during the period and contributions received during the period from
7 a contributor which cumulatively exceed \$1,000. The report must be
8 completed on the form designed and provided by the Secretary of
9 State pursuant to NRS 294A.373. The form must be signed by the
10 person or a representative of the group ~~{or business entity}~~ under
11 penalty of perjury.

12 5. Except as otherwise provided in subsection 6, every person
13 or group of persons organized formally or informally ~~{, including a~~
14 ~~business entity.}~~ who advocates the passage or defeat of a question
15 or group of questions on the ballot at a special election and who
16 receives or expends money in an amount in excess of \$10,000 to
17 advocate the passage or defeat of such question or group of
18 questions shall, not later than:

19 (a) Seven days before the special election, for the period from
20 the date that the question qualified for the ballot through 12 days
21 before the special election; and

22 (b) Thirty days after the special election, for the remaining
23 period through the special election,

24 ↪ report each campaign contribution in excess of \$1,000 received
25 during the period and contributions received during the period from
26 a contributor which cumulatively exceed \$1,000. The report must be
27 completed on the form designed and provided by the Secretary of
28 State pursuant to NRS 294A.373. The form must be signed by the
29 person or a representative of the group ~~{or business entity}~~ under
30 penalty of perjury.

31 6. Every person or group of persons organized formally or
32 informally ~~{, including a business entity.}~~ who advocates the passage
33 or defeat of a question or group of questions on the ballot at a
34 special election to determine whether a public officer will be
35 recalled and who receives or expends money in an amount in excess
36 of \$10,000 to advocate the passage or defeat of such question or
37 group of questions shall report each of the contributions received on
38 the form designed and provided by the Secretary of State pursuant to
39 NRS 294A.373 and signed by the person or a representative of the
40 group ~~{or business entity}~~ under penalty of perjury, 30 days after:

41 (a) The special election, for the period from the filing of the
42 notice of intent to circulate the petition for recall through the special
43 election; or

44 (b) If the special election is not held because a district court
45 determines that the petition for recall is legally insufficient pursuant



1 to subsection 6 of NRS 306.040, for the period from the filing of the
2 notice of intent to circulate the petition for recall through the date of
3 the district court's decision.

4 7. The reports required pursuant to this section must be filed
5 with:

6 (a) If the question is submitted to the voters of one county, the
7 county clerk of that county;

8 (b) If the question is submitted to the voters of one city, the city
9 clerk of that city; or

10 (c) If the question is submitted to the voters of more than one
11 county or city, the Secretary of State.

12 8. A person may mail or transmit the report to the appropriate
13 officer by regular mail, certified mail, facsimile machine or
14 electronic means. A report shall be deemed to be filed with the
15 officer ~~if~~:

16 ~~—(a) On the date that it was mailed if it was sent by certified mail;~~
17 ~~or~~

18 ~~—(b) On~~ on the date that it was received by the officer ~~if~~ ,
19 *regardless of whether* the report was sent by regular *mail or*
20 *certified* mail, transmitted by facsimile machine or electronic
21 means, or delivered personally.

22 9. If the person or group of persons ~~[, including a business~~
23 ~~entity,]~~ is advocating passage or defeat of a group of questions, the
24 reports must be itemized by question or petition.

25 10. Each county clerk or city clerk who receives a report
26 pursuant to this section shall file a copy of the report with the
27 Secretary of State within 10 working days after receiving the report.

28 **Sec. 46.** NRS 294A.200 is hereby amended to read as follows:

29 294A.200 1. Every candidate for state, district, county or
30 township office at a primary or general election shall, not later than
31 January 15 of each year, for the period from January 1 of the
32 previous year through December 31 of the previous year, report
33 each of the campaign expenses in excess of \$100 incurred and each
34 amount in excess of \$100 disposed of pursuant to NRS 294A.160
35 during the period on the form designed and provided by the
36 Secretary of State pursuant to NRS 294A.373. The form must be
37 signed by the candidate under penalty of perjury. The provisions of
38 this subsection apply to the candidate:

39 (a) Beginning the year of the general election for that office
40 through the year immediately preceding the next general election for
41 that office; and

42 (b) Each year immediately succeeding a calendar year during
43 which the candidate disposes of contributions pursuant to
44 NRS 294A.160.



1 2. Every candidate for state, district, county or township office
2 at a primary or general election shall, if the general election for the
3 office for which he or she is a candidate is held on or after January 1
4 and before the July 1 immediately following that January 1, not later
5 than:

6 (a) ~~Seven~~ *Twenty-one* days before the primary election for that
7 office, for the period from the January 1 immediately preceding the
8 primary election through ~~12~~ *25* days before the primary election;

9 (b) ~~Seven~~ *Four* days before the ~~general~~ *primary* election for
10 that office, for the period from ~~11~~ *24* days before the primary
11 election through ~~12~~ *5* days before the ~~general election; and~~

12 ~~—(c) July 15 of the year of~~ *primary election;*

13 (c) *Twenty-one days before* the general election for that office,
14 for the period from ~~11~~ *4* days before the ~~general~~ *primary* election
15 through ~~June 30 of that year,~~ *25 days before the general election;*
16 *and*

17 (d) *Four days before the general election for that office, for*
18 *the period from 24 days before the general election through 5 days*
19 *before the general election,*

20 ↪ report each of the campaign expenses in excess of \$100 incurred
21 during the period on the form designed and provided by the
22 Secretary of State pursuant to NRS 294A.373. Each form must be
23 signed by the candidate under penalty of perjury.

24 3. Every candidate for state, district, county or township office
25 at a primary or general election shall, if the general election for the
26 office for which he or she is a candidate is held on or after July 1
27 and before the January 1 immediately following that July 1, not later
28 than:

29 (a) ~~Seven~~ *Twenty-one* days before the primary election for that
30 office, for the period from the January 1 immediately preceding the
31 primary election through ~~12~~ *25* days before the primary election;
32 ~~and~~

33 (b) ~~Seven~~ *Four* days before the ~~general~~ *primary* election for
34 that office, for the period from ~~11~~ *24* days before the primary
35 election through ~~12~~ *5* days before the general election ~~;~~;

36 (c) *Twenty-one days before the general election for that office,*
37 *for the period from 4 days before the primary election through 25*
38 *days before the general election; and*

39 (d) *Four days before the general election for that office, for*
40 *the period from 24 days before the general election through 5 days*
41 *before the general election,*

42 ↪ report each of the campaign expenses in excess of \$100 incurred
43 during the period on the form designed and provided by the
44 Secretary of State pursuant to NRS 294A.373. The form must be
45 signed by the candidate under penalty of perjury.



1 4. Except as otherwise provided in subsection 5, every
2 candidate for a district office at a special election shall, not later
3 than:

4 (a) Seven days before the special election, for the period from
5 the candidate's nomination through 12 days before the special
6 election; and

7 (b) Thirty days after the special election, for the remaining
8 period through the special election,

9 → report each of the campaign expenses in excess of \$100 incurred
10 during the period on the form designed and provided by the
11 Secretary of State pursuant to NRS 294A.373. Each form must be
12 signed by the candidate under penalty of perjury.

13 5. Every candidate for state, district, county, municipal or
14 township office at a special election to determine whether a public
15 officer will be recalled shall report each of the campaign expenses in
16 excess of \$100 incurred on the form designed and provided by the
17 Secretary of State pursuant to NRS 294A.373 and signed by the
18 candidate under penalty of perjury, 30 days after:

19 (a) The special election, for the period from the filing of the
20 notice of intent to circulate the petition for recall through the special
21 election; or

22 (b) If the special election is not held because a district court
23 determines that the petition for recall is legally insufficient pursuant
24 to subsection 6 of NRS 306.040, for the period from the filing of the
25 notice of intent to circulate the petition for recall through the date of
26 the district court's decision.

27 6. Reports of campaign expenses must be filed with the officer
28 with whom the candidate filed the declaration of candidacy or
29 acceptance of candidacy. A candidate may mail or transmit the
30 report to that officer by regular mail, certified mail, facsimile
31 machine or electronic means. A report shall be deemed to be filed
32 with the officer ~~†~~:

33 ~~—(a) On the date that it was mailed if it was sent by certified mail;~~
34 ~~or~~

35 ~~—(b) On~~ *on* the date that it was received by the officer ~~††~~ ,
36 *regardless of whether* the report was sent by regular *mail or*
37 *certified* mail, transmitted by facsimile machine or electronic
38 means, or delivered personally.

39 7. County clerks who receive from candidates for legislative or
40 judicial office, including, without limitation, the office of justice of
41 the peace or municipal judge, reports of campaign expenses
42 pursuant to this section shall file a copy of each report with the
43 Secretary of State within 10 working days after receiving the report.



1 **Sec. 47.** NRS 294A.210 is hereby amended to read as follows:

2 294A.210 1. Every person who is not under the direction or
3 control of a candidate for an office at a primary election, primary
4 city election, general election or general city election, of a group of
5 such candidates or of any person involved in the campaign of that
6 candidate or group who makes an expenditure on behalf of
7 the candidate or group which is not solicited or approved by the
8 candidate or group, and every committee for political action,
9 political party ~~[]~~ or committee sponsored by a political party ~~for~~
10 ~~business-entity~~ which *receives contributions in excess of \$100 or*
11 makes an expenditure on behalf of such a candidate or group of
12 candidates shall, not later than January 15 of each year that the
13 provisions of this subsection apply to the person, committee ~~[]~~ or
14 political party, ~~for business-entity,~~ for the period from January 1 of
15 the previous year through December 31 of the previous year, report
16 each expenditure made during the period on behalf of the candidate,
17 the group of candidates or a candidate in the group of candidates in
18 excess of \$100 on the form designed and provided by the Secretary
19 of State pursuant to NRS 294A.373. The form must be signed by the
20 person or a representative of the committee ~~[]~~ or political party ~~for~~
21 ~~business-entity~~ under penalty of perjury. The provisions of this
22 subsection apply to the person, committee ~~[]~~ or political party ~~for~~
23 ~~business-entity~~ beginning the year of the general election or general
24 city election for that office through the year immediately preceding
25 the next general election or general city election for that office.

26 2. Every person, committee ~~[]~~ or political party ~~for-business~~
27 ~~entity~~ described in subsection 1 which makes an expenditure on
28 behalf of a candidate for office at a primary election, primary city
29 election, general election or general city election or a group of such
30 candidates shall, if the general election or general city election for
31 the office for which the candidate or a candidate in the group of
32 candidates seeks election is held on or after January 1 and before the
33 July 1 immediately following that January 1, not later than:

34 (a) ~~[Seven]~~ *Twenty-one* days before the primary election
35 or primary city election for that office, for the period from the
36 January 1 immediately preceding the primary election or primary
37 city election through ~~[2]~~ *25* days before the primary election or
38 primary city election;

39 (b) ~~[Seven]~~ *Four* days before the ~~[general]~~ *primary* election or
40 ~~[general]~~ *primary* city election for that office, for the period from
41 ~~[1]~~ *24* days before the primary election or primary city election
42 through ~~[2]~~ *5* days before the ~~[general]~~ *primary* election or
43 ~~[general]~~ *primary* city election; ~~and~~

44 ~~—(c) July 15 of the year of]~~



1 (c) *Twenty-one days before* the general election or general city
2 election for that office, for the period from ~~[11]~~ 4 days before the
3 ~~[general]~~ primary election or ~~[general]~~ primary city election
4 through ~~[the June 30 of that year,]~~ 25 days before the general
5 election or general city election; and

6 (d) *Four days before the general election or general city*
7 *election for that office, for the period from 24 days before the*
8 *general election or general city election through 5 days before the*
9 *general election or general city election,*

10 ↪ report each expenditure made during the period on behalf of the
11 candidate, the group of candidates or a candidate in the group of
12 candidates in excess of \$100 on the form designed and provided by
13 the Secretary of State pursuant to NRS 294A.373. The form must be
14 signed by the person or a representative of the committee ~~[]~~ or
15 political party ~~[or business entity]~~ under penalty of perjury.

16 3. Every person, committee ~~[]~~ or political party ~~[or business~~
17 ~~entity]~~ described in subsection 1 which makes an expenditure on
18 behalf of a candidate for office at a primary election, primary city
19 election, general election or general city election or on behalf of a
20 group of such candidates shall, if the general election or general city
21 election for the office for which the candidate or a candidate in the
22 group of candidates seeks election is held on or after July 1 and
23 before the January 1 immediately following that July 1, not later
24 than:

25 (a) ~~[Seven]~~ *Twenty-one* days before the primary election
26 or primary city election for that office, for the period from the
27 January 1 immediately preceding the primary election or primary
28 city election through ~~[12]~~ 25 days before the primary election or
29 primary city election; ~~[and]~~

30 (b) ~~[Seven]~~ *Four* days before the ~~[general]~~ primary election or
31 ~~[general]~~ primary city election for that office, for the period from
32 ~~[11]~~ 24 days before the primary election or primary city election
33 through ~~[12]~~ 5 days before the ~~[general]~~ primary election or
34 ~~[general]~~ primary city election ~~[]~~;

35 (c) *Twenty-one days before the general election or general city*
36 *election for that office, for the period from 4 days before the*
37 *primary election or primary city election through 25 days before*
38 *the general election or general city election; and*

39 (d) *Four days before the general election or general city*
40 *election for that office, for the period from 24 days before the*
41 *general election or general city election through 5 days before the*
42 *general election or general city election,*

43 ↪ report each expenditure made during the period on behalf of the
44 candidate, the group of candidates or a candidate in the group of
45 candidates in excess of \$100 on the form designed and provided by



1 the Secretary of State pursuant to NRS 294A.373. The form must be
2 signed by the person or a representative of the committee ~~[] or~~
3 political party ~~[or business entity]~~ under penalty of perjury.

4 4. Except as otherwise provided in subsection 5, every person,
5 committee ~~[] or~~ political party ~~[or business entity]~~ described in
6 subsection 1 which makes an expenditure on behalf of a candidate
7 for office at a special election or on behalf of a group of such
8 candidates shall, not later than:

9 (a) Seven days before the special election for the office for
10 which the candidate or a candidate in the group of candidates seeks
11 election, for the period from the nomination of the candidate
12 through 12 days before the special election; and

13 (b) Thirty days after the special election, for the remaining
14 period through the special election,

15 ↪ report each expenditure made during the period on behalf of the
16 candidate, the group of candidates or a candidate in the group of
17 candidates in excess of \$100 on the form designed and provided by
18 the Secretary of State pursuant to NRS 294A.373. The form must be
19 signed by the person or a representative of the committee ~~[] or~~
20 political party ~~[or business entity]~~ under penalty of perjury.

21 5. Every person, committee ~~[] or~~ political party ~~[or business~~
22 ~~entity]~~ described in subsection 1 which makes an expenditure on
23 behalf of a candidate for office at a special election to determine
24 whether a public officer will be recalled or on behalf of a group of
25 such candidates shall list each expenditure made on behalf of the
26 candidate, the group of candidates or a candidate in the group of
27 candidates in excess of \$100 on the form designed and provided by
28 the Secretary of State pursuant to NRS 294A.373 and signed by the
29 person or a representative of the committee ~~[] or~~ political party ~~[or~~
30 ~~business entity]~~ under penalty of perjury, 30 days after:

31 (a) The special election, for the period from the filing of the
32 notice of intent to circulate the petition for recall through the special
33 election; or

34 (b) If the special election is not held because a district court
35 determines that the petition for recall is legally insufficient pursuant
36 to subsection 6 of NRS 306.040, for the period from the filing of the
37 notice of intent to circulate the petition for recall through the date of
38 the district court's decision.

39 6. Expenditures made within the State or made elsewhere but
40 for use within the State, including expenditures made outside the
41 State for printing, television and radio broadcasting or other
42 production of the media, must be included in the report.

43 7. The reports must be filed with:

44 (a) If the candidate is elected from one county, the county clerk
45 of that county;



1 (b) If the candidate is elected from one city, the city clerk of that
2 city; or

3 (c) If the candidate is elected from more than one county or city,
4 the Secretary of State.

5 8. If an expenditure is made on behalf of a group of candidates,
6 the reports must be itemized by the candidate. A person may mail or
7 transmit the report to the appropriate officer by regular mail,
8 certified mail, facsimile machine or electronic means. A report shall
9 be deemed to be filed with the officer ~~;~~

10 ~~—(a) On the date that it was mailed if it was sent by certified mail;~~
11 ~~or~~

12 ~~—(b) On~~ on the date that it was received by the officer ~~if~~ ,
13 *regardless of whether* the report was sent by regular *mail or*
14 *certified* mail, transmitted by facsimile machine or electronic
15 means, or delivered personally.

16 9. Each county clerk or city clerk who receives a report
17 pursuant to this section shall file a copy of the report with the
18 Secretary of State within 10 working days after receiving the report.

19 10. Every person, committee ~~;~~ or political party ~~for business~~
20 ~~entity~~ described in subsection 1 shall file a report required by this
21 section even if the person, committee ~~;~~ or political party ~~or~~
22 ~~business entity~~ receives no contributions.

23 **Sec. 48.** NRS 294A.220 is hereby amended to read as follows:

24 294A.220 1. Except as otherwise provided in NRS
25 294A.283, every person or group of persons organized formally or
26 informally ~~including a business entity,~~ who advocates the passage
27 or defeat of a question or group of questions on the ballot at a
28 primary election, primary city election, general election or general
29 city election and who receives or expends money in an amount in
30 excess of \$10,000 to advocate the passage or defeat of such question
31 or group of questions shall, not later than January 15 of each year
32 that the provisions of this subsection apply to the person or group of
33 persons, for the period from January 1 of the previous year through
34 December 31 of the previous year, report each expenditure made
35 during the period on behalf of or against the question, the group of
36 questions or a question in the group of questions on the ballot in
37 excess of \$1,000 on the form designed and provided by the
38 Secretary of State pursuant to NRS 294A.373. The form must be
39 signed by the person or a representative of the group ~~for business~~
40 ~~entity~~ under penalty of perjury. The provisions of this subsection
41 apply to the person ~~;~~ or group of persons : ~~for business entity;~~

42 (a) Each year in which:

43 (1) An election or city election is held for a question for
44 which the person ~~;~~ or group of persons ~~for business entity~~
45 advocates passage or defeat; or



1 (2) A person ~~[.]~~ or group of persons ~~[or business entity]~~
2 receives or expends money in excess of \$10,000 to advocate the
3 passage or defeat of a question or group of questions on the ballot at
4 a primary election, primary city election, general election or general
5 city election; and

6 (b) The year after each year described in paragraph (a).

7 2. If a question is on the ballot at a primary election or primary
8 city election and the general election or general city election
9 immediately following that primary election or primary city election
10 is held on or after January 1 and before the July 1 immediately
11 following that January 1, every person or group of persons
12 organized formally or informally ~~[, including a business entity,]~~ who
13 advocates the passage or defeat of the question or a group of
14 questions that includes the question and who receives or expends
15 money in an amount in excess of \$10,000 to advocate the passage or
16 defeat of such question or group of questions shall comply with the
17 requirements of this subsection. If a question is on the ballot at a
18 general election or general city election held on or after January 1
19 and before the July 1 immediately following that January 1, every
20 person or group of persons organized formally or informally ~~[,~~
21 ~~including a business entity,]~~ who advocates the passage or defeat of
22 the question or a group of questions that includes the question and
23 who receives or expends money in an amount in excess of \$10,000
24 to advocate the passage or defeat of such question or group of
25 questions shall comply with the requirements of this subsection. A
26 person ~~[.]~~ or group of persons ~~[or business entity]~~ described in this
27 subsection shall, not later than:

28 (a) ~~[Seven]~~ *Twenty-one* days before the primary election or
29 primary city election, for the period from the January 1 immediately
30 preceding the primary election or primary city election through ~~[+2]~~
31 *25* days before the primary election or primary city election;

32 (b) ~~[Seven]~~ *Four* days before the ~~[general]~~ *primary* election or
33 ~~[general]~~ *primary* city election, for the period from ~~[+1]~~ *24* days
34 before the primary election or primary city election through ~~[+2]~~ *5*
35 days before the ~~[general]~~ *primary* election or ~~[general]~~ *primary* city
36 election; ~~[and]~~

37 (c) ~~[July 15 of the year of]~~ *Twenty-one days before* the general
38 election or general city election, for the period from ~~[+1]~~ *4* days
39 before the ~~[general]~~ *primary* election or ~~[general]~~ *primary* city
40 election through ~~[the June 30 immediately preceding that July 15,]~~
41 *25 days before the general election or general city election; and*

42 (d) *Four days before the general election or general city*
43 *election, for the period from 24 days before the general election or*
44 *general city election through 5 days before the general election or*
45 *general city election,*



1 ↪ report each expenditure made during the period on behalf of or
2 against the question, the group of questions or a question in the
3 group of questions on the ballot in excess of \$1,000 on the form
4 designed and provided by the Secretary of State pursuant to NRS
5 294A.373 and signed by the person or a representative of the group
6 ~~[or business entity]~~ under penalty of perjury.

7 3. If a question is on the ballot at a primary election or primary
8 city election and the general election or general city election
9 immediately following that primary election or primary city election
10 is held on or after July 1 and before the January 1 immediately
11 following that July 1, every person or group of persons organized
12 formally or informally ~~[, including a business entity.]~~ who advocates
13 the passage or defeat of the question or a group of questions that
14 includes the question and who receives or expends money in an
15 amount in excess of \$10,000 to advocate the passage or defeat of
16 such question or group of questions shall comply with the
17 requirements of this subsection. Except as otherwise provided in
18 NRS 294A.283, if a question is on the ballot at a general election or
19 general city election held on or after July 1 and before the January 1
20 immediately following that July 1, every person or group of persons
21 organized formally or informally ~~[, including a business entity.]~~ who
22 advocates the passage or defeat of the question or a group of
23 questions that includes the question and who receives or expends
24 money in an amount in excess of \$10,000 to advocate the passage or
25 defeat of such question or group of questions shall comply with the
26 requirements of this subsection. A person ~~[;]~~ or group of persons ~~[or~~
27 ~~business entity]~~ described in this subsection shall, not later than:

28 (a) ~~[Seven]~~ *Twenty-one* days before the primary election or
29 primary city election, for the period from the January 1 immediately
30 preceding the primary election or primary city election through ~~[+2]~~
31 *25* days before the primary election or primary city election; ~~[and]~~

32 (b) ~~[Seven]~~ *Four* days before the ~~[general]~~ *primary* election or
33 ~~[general]~~ *primary* city election, for the period from ~~[+1]~~ *24* days
34 before the primary election or primary city election through ~~[+2]~~ *5*
35 days before the ~~[general]~~ *primary* election or ~~[general]~~ *primary* city
36 election ~~[;]~~;

37 (c) *Twenty-one days before the general election or general city*
38 *election, for the period from 4 days before the primary election or*
39 *primary city election through 25 days before the general election*
40 *or general city election; and*

41 (d) *Four days before the general election or general city*
42 *election, for the period from 24 days before the general election or*
43 *general city election through 5 days before the general election or*
44 *general city election,*



1 ↪ report each expenditure made during the period on behalf of or
2 against the question, the group of questions or a question in the
3 group of questions on the ballot in excess of \$1,000 on the form
4 designed and provided by the Secretary of State pursuant to NRS
5 294A.373. The form must be signed by the person or a
6 representative of the group ~~{or business entity}~~ under penalty of
7 perjury.

8 4. Except as otherwise provided in subsection 5, every person
9 or group of persons organized formally or informally ~~{, including a
10 business entity,}~~ who advocates the passage or defeat of a question
11 or group of questions on the ballot at a special election shall, not
12 later than:

13 (a) Seven days before the special election, for the period from
14 the date the question qualified for the ballot through 12 days before
15 the special election; and

16 (b) Thirty days after the special election, for the remaining
17 period through the special election,

18 ↪ report each expenditure made during the period on behalf of or
19 against the question, the group of questions or a question in the
20 group of questions on the ballot in excess of \$1,000 on the form
21 designed and provided by the Secretary of State pursuant to NRS
22 294A.373. The form must be signed by the person or a
23 representative of the group ~~{or business entity}~~ under penalty of
24 perjury.

25 5. Every person or group of persons organized formally or
26 informally ~~{, including a business entity,}~~ who advocates the passage
27 or defeat of a question or group of questions on the ballot at a
28 special election to determine whether a public officer will be
29 recalled and who receives or expends money in an amount in excess
30 of \$10,000 to advocate the passage or defeat of such question or
31 group of questions shall list each expenditure made during the
32 period on behalf of or against the question, the group of questions or
33 a question in the group of questions on the ballot in excess of \$1,000
34 on the form designed and provided by the Secretary of State
35 pursuant to NRS 294A.373 and signed by the person or a
36 representative of the group ~~{or business entity}~~ under penalty of
37 perjury, 30 days after:

38 (a) The special election, for the period from the filing of the
39 notice of intent to circulate the petition for recall through the special
40 election; or

41 (b) If the special election is not held because a district court
42 determines that the petition for recall is legally insufficient pursuant
43 to subsection 6 of NRS 306.040, for the period from the filing of the
44 notice of intent to circulate the petition for recall through the date of
45 the district court's decision.



1 6. Expenditures made within the State or made elsewhere but
2 for use within the State, including expenditures made outside the
3 State for printing, television and radio broadcasting or other
4 production of the media, must be included in the report.

5 7. The reports required pursuant to this section must be filed
6 with:

7 (a) If the question is submitted to the voters of one county, the
8 county clerk of that county;

9 (b) If the question is submitted to the voters of one city, the city
10 clerk of that city; or

11 (c) If the question is submitted to the voters of more than one
12 county or city, the Secretary of State.

13 8. If an expenditure is made on behalf of a group of questions,
14 the reports must be itemized by question or petition. A person may
15 mail or transmit the report to the appropriate filing officer by regular
16 mail, certified mail, facsimile machine or electronic means. A report
17 shall be deemed to be filed with the filing officer ~~f:~~

18 ~~—(a) On the date that it was mailed if it was sent by certified mail;~~
19 ~~or~~

20 ~~—(b) On] on~~ the date that it was received by the filing officer ~~[[f]~~,
21 *regardless of whether* the report was sent by regular *mail or*
22 *certified* mail, transmitted by facsimile machine or electronic
23 means, or delivered personally.

24 9. Each county clerk or city clerk who receives a report
25 pursuant to this section shall file a copy of the report with the
26 Secretary of State within 10 working days after receiving the report.

27 **Sec. 49.** NRS 294A.230 is hereby amended to read as follows:

28 294A.230 1. Each committee for political action shall, before
29 it engages in any activity in this State, register with the Secretary of
30 State on forms supplied by the Secretary of State.

31 2. The form must require:

32 (a) The name of the committee;

33 (b) The purpose for which it was organized;

34 (c) The names, addresses and telephone numbers of its officers;

35 (d) If the committee for political action is affiliated with any
36 other organizations, the name, address and telephone number of
37 each organization;

38 (e) The name, address and telephone number of its registered
39 agent; and

40 (f) Any other information deemed necessary by the Secretary of
41 State.

42 3. A committee for political action shall file with the Secretary
43 of State an amended form for registration within 30 days after any
44 change in the information contained in the form for registration.



1 4. The Secretary of State shall include on the Secretary of
2 State's Internet website the information required pursuant to
3 subsection 2.

4 *5. For purposes of the civil penalty that the Secretary of State
5 may impose pursuant to NRS 294A.420 for violating the
6 provisions of subsection 1, if a committee for political action fails
7 to register with the Secretary of State pursuant to subsection 1,
8 each time a committee for political action engages in any activity
9 in this State constitutes a separate violation of subsection 1 for
10 which the Secretary of State may impose a civil penalty.*

11 **Sec. 50.** NRS 294A.281 is hereby amended to read as follows:

12 294A.281 1. Each person or group of persons organized
13 formally or informally ~~[, including a business entity,]~~ who advocates
14 the passage or defeat of a constitutional amendment or statewide
15 measure proposed by an initiative or referendum, before engaging in
16 any such advocacy in this State, shall file a statement of
17 organization with the Secretary of State as provided in subsection 2.

18 2. Each statement of organization must include:

19 (a) The name of the person ~~[,] or~~ group of persons ; ~~[or business~~
20 ~~entity;]~~

21 (b) The purpose for which the person ~~[,] or~~ group of persons ~~[or~~
22 ~~business entity]~~ is organized;

23 (c) The names and addresses of any officers of the person ~~[,] or~~
24 group of persons ; ~~[or business entity;]~~

25 (d) If the person ~~[,] or~~ group of persons ~~[or business entity]~~ is
26 affiliated with or is retained by any other person ~~[,] or~~ group ~~[or~~
27 ~~business entity]~~ for the purpose of advocating the passage or defeat
28 of a constitutional amendment or statewide measure proposed by
29 initiative or referendum, the name and address of each such other
30 person ~~[,] or~~ group ; ~~[or business entity;]~~ and

31 (e) The name, address and telephone number of the registered
32 agent of the person ~~[,] or~~ group of persons . ~~[or business entity.]~~

33 3. A person ~~[,] or~~ group of persons ~~[or business entity]~~ which
34 has filed a statement of organization pursuant to this section shall
35 file an amended statement with the Secretary of State within 30 days
36 of any changes to the information required pursuant to subsection 2.

37 **Sec. 51.** NRS 294A.282 is hereby amended to read as follows:

38 294A.282 Each person or group of persons organized formally
39 or informally ~~[, including a business entity,]~~ who advocates the
40 passage or defeat of a constitutional amendment or statewide
41 measure proposed by an initiative or referendum shall appoint and
42 keep within this State a registered agent, as provided in NRS
43 14.020, who must be a natural person who resides in this State.



1 **Sec. 52.** NRS 294A.283 is hereby amended to read as follows:

2 294A.283 1. Every person or group of persons organized
3 formally or informally ~~[, including a business entity,]~~ who advocates
4 the passage or defeat of a constitutional amendment or statewide
5 measure proposed by an initiative or referendum, including, without
6 limitation, the initiation or circulation thereof, and who receives or
7 expends money in an amount in excess of \$10,000 for such
8 advocacy shall, not later than the dates listed in subsection 2, report:

9 (a) Each campaign contribution in excess of \$1,000 received
10 during each period described in subsection 2;

11 (b) Contributions received during each period described in
12 subsection 2 from a contributor which cumulatively exceed \$1,000;

13 (c) Each expenditure in excess of \$1,000 the person ~~[]~~ or group
14 of persons ~~[for business entity]~~ makes during each period described
15 in subsection 2; and

16 (d) The total amount of money the person ~~[]~~ or group of
17 persons ~~[for business entity]~~ has at the beginning of each period
18 described in subsection 2, accounting for all contributions received
19 and expenditures made during each previous period.

20 2. Every person ~~[]~~ or group of persons ~~[for business entity]~~
21 required to report pursuant to subsection 1 shall file that report with
22 the Secretary of State:

23 (a) For the period beginning on the first day a copy of the
24 petition may be filed with the Secretary of State before it is
25 circulated for signatures pursuant to Section 1 or Section 2 of
26 Article 19 of the Nevada Constitution, as applicable, and ending on
27 the following March 31, not later than April 15;

28 (b) For the period beginning on April 1 and ending on July 31,
29 not later than August 15;

30 (c) For the period beginning on August 1 and ending on
31 September 30, not later than October 15; and

32 (d) For the period beginning on October 1 and ending on
33 December 31, not later than the following January 15.

34 3. The name and address of the contributor and the date on
35 which the contribution was received must be included on each
36 report for each contribution in excess of \$1,000 and contributions
37 which a contributor has made cumulatively in excess of that amount
38 since the beginning of the applicable reporting period.

39 4. Expenditures made within the State or made elsewhere but
40 for use within the State, including expenditures made outside the
41 State for printing, television and radio broadcasting or other
42 production of the media, must be included in each report.

43 5. Each report required pursuant to this section must:

44 (a) Be on the form designed and provided by the Secretary of
45 State pursuant to NRS 294A.373; and



1 (b) Be signed by the person or a representative of the group of
2 persons ~~[or business entity]~~ under penalty of perjury.

3 6. A person ~~[.]~~ *or* group of persons ~~[or business entity]~~ may
4 mail or transmit each report to the Secretary of State by certified
5 mail, regular mail, facsimile machine or electronic means or may
6 deliver the report personally.

7 7. A report shall be deemed to be filed with the Secretary of
8 State ~~;~~

9 ~~—(a) On the date that it was mailed if it was sent by certified mail;~~
10 ~~or~~

11 ~~—(b) On~~ *on* the date that it was received by the Secretary of State
12 ~~if~~ *, regardless of whether* the report was sent by regular *mail or*
13 *certified* mail, transmitted by facsimile machine or electronic
14 means, or delivered personally.

15 **Sec. 53.** NRS 294A.284 is hereby amended to read as follows:

16 294A.284 1. Each person or group of persons organized
17 formally or informally ~~[, including a business entity.]~~ who advocates
18 the passage or defeat of a constitutional amendment or statewide
19 measure proposed by an initiative or referendum that provides
20 compensation to persons to circulate petitions shall report to the
21 Secretary of State:

22 (a) The number of persons to whom such compensation is
23 provided;

24 (b) The least amount of such compensation that is provided and
25 the greatest amount of such compensation that is provided; and

26 (c) The total amount of compensation provided.

27 2. The Secretary of State shall make public any information
28 received pursuant to this section.

29 **Sec. 54.** NRS 294A.286 is hereby amended to read as follows:

30 294A.286 1. *Any candidate or public officer may establish a*
31 *legal defense fund.* A person who administers a legal defense fund
32 shall:

33 (a) Within 5 days after the creation of the legal defense fund,
34 notify the Secretary of State of the creation of the fund on a form
35 provided by the Secretary of State; and

36 (b) For the same period covered by the report filed pursuant to
37 NRS 294A.120, 294A.200 or 294A.360, report any contribution
38 received by or expenditure made from the legal defense fund.

39 2. The reports required by paragraph (b) of subsection 1 must
40 be submitted on the form designed and provided by the Secretary of
41 State pursuant to NRS 294A.373. Each form must be signed by the
42 administrator of the legal defense fund under penalty of perjury.

43 3. The reports required by paragraph (b) of subsection 1 must
44 be filed in the same manner and at the same time as the report filed
45 pursuant to NRS 294A.120, 294A.200 or 294A.360.



1 **4. Notwithstanding the provisions of this section, a candidate**
2 **or public officer may use campaign contributions to pay for any**
3 **legal expenses that the candidate or public officer incurs in**
4 **relation to a campaign or serving in public office without**
5 **establishing a legal defense fund. Any such candidate or public**
6 **officer shall report any expenditure of campaign contributions to**
7 **pay for legal expenses in the same manner and at the same time as**
8 **the report filed pursuant to NRS 294A.120, 294A.200 or 294A.360.**

9 **Sec. 55.** NRS 294A.347 is hereby amended to read as follows:
10 294A.347 1. A statement which:

11 (a) Is published within 60 days before a general election, general
12 city election or special election or 30 days before a primary election
13 or primary city election;

14 (b) Expressly advocates the election or defeat of a clearly
15 identified candidate for a state or local office; and

16 (c) Is published by a person who receives compensation from
17 the candidate, an opponent of the candidate, or a person, party ~~or~~
18 committee ~~for business entity~~ required to report expenditures
19 pursuant to NRS 294A.210 ~~or section 38 of this act,~~

20 ↪ must contain a disclosure of the fact that the person receives
21 compensation pursuant to paragraph (c) and the name of the person,
22 party ~~or~~ committee ~~for business entity~~ providing that
23 compensation.

24 2. A statement which:

25 (a) Is published by a candidate within 60 days before a general
26 election, general city election or special election or 30 days before a
27 primary election or primary city election; and

28 (b) Contains the name of the candidate,
29 ↪ shall be deemed to comply with the provisions of this section.

30 3. As used in this section, "publish" means the act of:

31 (a) Printing, posting, broadcasting, mailing or otherwise
32 disseminating; or

33 (b) Causing to be printed, posted, broadcasted, mailed or
34 otherwise disseminated.

35 **Sec. 56.** NRS 294A.350 is hereby amended to read as follows:

36 294A.350 1. Every candidate for state, district, county,
37 municipal or township office shall file the reports of campaign
38 contributions and expenses required by NRS 294A.120, 294A.128,
39 294A.200 and 294A.360 and reports of contributions received by
40 and expenditures made from a legal defense fund **or used to pay**
41 **legal expenses** required by NRS 294A.286, even though the
42 candidate:

43 (a) Withdraws his or her candidacy;

44 (b) Receives no campaign contributions;

45 (c) Has no campaign expenses;



- 1 (d) Is removed from the ballot by court order; or
- 2 (e) Is the subject of a petition to recall and the special election is
- 3 not held.

4 2. A candidate who withdraws his or her candidacy pursuant to
5 NRS 293.202 may file simultaneously all the reports of campaign
6 contributions and expenses required by NRS 294A.120, 294A.128,
7 294A.200 and 294A.360 and the report of contributions received by
8 and expenditures made from a legal defense fund *or used to pay*
9 *legal expenses* required by NRS 294A.286, so long as each report is
10 filed on or before the last day for filing the respective report
11 pursuant to NRS 294A.120, 294A.200 or 294A.360.

12 **Sec. 57.** NRS 294A.360 is hereby amended to read as follows:

13 294A.360 1. Every candidate for city office at a primary city
14 election or general city election shall file the reports in the manner
15 required by NRS 294A.120, 294A.128 and 294A.200 for other
16 offices not later than January 15 of each year, for the period from
17 January 1 of the previous year through December 31 of the previous
18 year. The provisions of this subsection apply to the candidate:

19 (a) Beginning the year of the general city election for that office
20 through the year immediately preceding the next general city
21 election for that office; and

22 (b) Each year immediately succeeding a calendar year during
23 which the candidate disposes of contributions pursuant to
24 NRS 294A.160.

25 2. Every candidate for city office at a primary city election or
26 general city election, if the general city election for the office for
27 which he or she is a candidate is held on or after January 1 and
28 before the July 1 immediately following that January 1, shall file the
29 reports in the manner required by NRS 294A.120, 294A.128 and
30 294A.200 for other offices not later than:

31 (a) ~~Seven~~ *Twenty-one* days before the primary city election for
32 that office, for the period from the January 1 immediately preceding
33 the primary city election through ~~12~~ *25* days before the primary
34 city election;

35 (b) ~~Seven~~ *Four* days before the ~~general~~ *primary* city election
36 for that office, for the period from ~~11~~ *24* days before the primary
37 city election through ~~12~~ *5* days before the ~~general~~ *primary* city
38 election; ~~and~~

39 ~~—(c) July 15 of the year of~~

40 (c) *Twenty-one days before* the general city election for that
41 office, for the period from ~~11~~ *4* days before the ~~general~~ *primary*
42 city election through ~~the June 30 of that year.~~ *25 days before the*
43 *general city election; and*



1 *(d) Four days before the general city election for that office,*
2 *for the period from 24 days before the general city election*
3 *through 5 days before the general city election.*

4 3. Every candidate for city office at a primary city election or
5 general city election, if the general city election for the office for
6 which he or she is a candidate is held on or after July 1 and before
7 the January 1 immediately following that July 1, shall file the
8 reports in the manner required by NRS 294A.120, 294A.128 and
9 294A.200 for other offices not later than:

10 (a) ~~Seven~~ *Twenty-one* days before the primary city election for
11 that office, for the period from the January 1 immediately preceding
12 the primary city election through ~~12~~ *25* days before the primary
13 city election; ~~and~~

14 (b) ~~Seven~~ *Four* days before the general city election for that
15 office, for the period from ~~11~~ *24* days before the primary city
16 election through ~~12~~ *5* days before the ~~general~~ *primary* city
17 election ~~;~~;

18 (c) *Twenty-one days before the general city election for that*
19 *office, for the period from 4 days before the primary city election*
20 *through 25 days before the general city election; and*

21 (d) *Four days before the general city election for that office,*
22 *for the period from 24 days before the general city election*
23 *through 5 days before the general city election.*

24 4. Except as otherwise provided in subsection 5, every
25 candidate for city office at a special election shall so file those
26 reports:

27 (a) Seven days before the special election, for the period from
28 the candidate's nomination through 12 days before the special
29 election; and

30 (b) Thirty days after the special election, for the remaining
31 period through the special election.

32 5. Every candidate for city office at a special election to
33 determine whether a public officer will be recalled shall so file those
34 reports 30 days after:

35 (a) The special election, for the period from the filing of the
36 notice of intent to circulate the petition for recall through the special
37 election; or

38 (b) If the special election is not held because a district court
39 determines that the petition for recall is legally insufficient pursuant
40 to subsection 6 of NRS 306.040, for the period from the filing of the
41 notice of intent to circulate the petition for recall through the date of
42 the district court's decision.

43 **Sec. 58.** NRS 294A.365 is hereby amended to read as follows:

44 294A.365 1. Each report of expenditures required pursuant to
45 NRS 294A.210, 294A.220, 294A.280 and 294A.283 must consist of



1 a list of each expenditure in excess of \$100 or \$1,000, as is
2 appropriate, that was made during the periods for reporting. Each
3 report of expenses required pursuant to NRS 294A.125 and
4 294A.200 must consist of a list of each expense in excess of \$100
5 that was incurred during the periods for reporting. The list in each
6 report must state the category and amount of the expense or
7 expenditure and the date on which the expense was incurred or the
8 expenditure was made.

9 2. The categories of expense or expenditure for use on the
10 report of expenses or expenditures are:

- 11 (a) Office expenses;
- 12 (b) Expenses related to volunteers;
- 13 (c) Expenses related to travel;
- 14 (d) Expenses related to advertising;
- 15 (e) Expenses related to paid staff;
- 16 (f) Expenses related to consultants;
- 17 (g) Expenses related to polling;
- 18 (h) Expenses related to special events;
- 19 (i) *Expenses related to a legal defense fund*;

20 (j) Except as otherwise provided in NRS 294A.362, goods and
21 services provided in kind for which money would otherwise have
22 been paid; and

23 ~~(j)~~ (k) Other miscellaneous expenses.

24 3. Each report of expenses or expenditures described in
25 subsection 1 must list the disposition of any unspent campaign
26 contributions using the categories set forth in subsection 2 of
27 NRS 294A.160.

28 **Sec. 59.** NRS 294A.373 is hereby amended to read as follows:

29 294A.373 1. The Secretary of State shall design a single form
30 to be used for all reports of campaign contributions and expenses or
31 expenditures that are required to be filed pursuant to NRS
32 294A.120, 294A.125, 294A.128, 294A.140, 294A.150, 294A.200,
33 294A.210, 294A.220, 294A.270, 294A.280, 294A.283, 294A.360
34 and 294A.362 *and section 38 of this act* and reports of contributions
35 received by and expenditures made from a legal defense fund *or*
36 *used to pay legal expenses* that are required to be filed pursuant to
37 NRS 294A.286.

38 2. The form designed by the Secretary of State pursuant to this
39 section must only request information specifically required by
40 statute.

41 3. Upon request, the Secretary of State shall provide a copy of
42 the form designed pursuant to this section to each person,
43 committee, political party ~~[]~~ *and* group ~~[and business entity]~~ that is
44 required to file a report described in subsection 1.



1 4. The Secretary of State must obtain the advice and consent of
2 the Legislative Commission before providing a copy of a form
3 designed or revised by the Secretary of State pursuant to this section
4 to a person, committee, political party ~~[]~~ or group ~~for business~~
5 ~~entity~~ that is required to use the form.

6 **Sec. 60.** NRS 294A.382 is hereby amended to read as follows:

7 294A.382 The Secretary of State shall not request or require a
8 candidate, person, group of persons, committee ~~[]~~ or political party
9 ~~for business entity~~ to list each of the expenditures or campaign
10 expenses of \$100 or less on a form designed and provided pursuant
11 to NRS 294A.373.

12 **Sec. 61.** NRS 294A.390 is hereby amended to read as follows:

13 294A.390 The officer from whom a candidate or entity
14 requests a form for:

- 15 1. A declaration of candidacy;
- 16 2. An acceptance of candidacy;
- 17 3. The registration of a committee for political action pursuant
18 to NRS 294A.230 ~~[]~~ or a committee for the recall of a public officer
19 pursuant to NRS 294A.250 ; ~~for a business entity that wishes to~~
20 ~~engage in certain political activity pursuant to NRS 294A.377;~~

21 4. The reporting of the creation of a legal defense fund
22 pursuant to NRS 294A.286; or

23 5. The reporting of campaign contributions, expenses or
24 expenditures pursuant to NRS 294A.120, 294A.128, 294A.140,
25 294A.150, 294A.200, 294A.210, 294A.220, 294A.270, 294A.280,
26 294A.283 or 294A.360 *or section 38 of this act* and the reporting of
27 contributions received by and expenditures made from a legal
28 defense fund *or used to pay legal expenses* pursuant to
29 NRS 294A.286,

30 ➤ shall furnish the candidate with the necessary forms for reporting
31 and copies of the regulations adopted by the Secretary of State
32 pursuant to this chapter. An explanation of the applicable provisions
33 of NRS 294A.100, 294A.120, 294A.128, 294A.140, 294A.150,
34 294A.200, 294A.210, 294A.220, 294A.270, 294A.280, 294A.283 or
35 294A.360 *or section 37 or 38 of this act* relating to the making,
36 accepting or reporting of campaign contributions, expenses or
37 expenditures and the penalties for a violation of those provisions as
38 set forth in NRS 294A.100 or 294A.420, and an explanation of NRS
39 294A.286 and 294A.287 relating to the accepting or reporting of
40 contributions received by and expenditures made from a legal
41 defense fund *or used to pay legal expenses* and the penalties for a
42 violation of those provisions as set forth in NRS 294A.287 and
43 294A.420, must be developed by the Secretary of State and
44 provided upon request. The candidate or entity shall acknowledge
45 receipt of the material.



1 **Sec. 62.** NRS 294A.400 is hereby amended to read as follows:

2 294A.400 The Secretary of State shall, within 30 days after
3 receipt of the reports required by NRS 294A.120, 294A.125,
4 294A.128, 294A.140, 294A.150, 294A.200, 294A.210, 294A.220,
5 294A.270, 294A.280, 294A.283 and 294A.286, *and sections 37 and*
6 *38 of this act*, prepare and make available for public inspection a
7 compilation of:

8 1. The total campaign contributions, the contributions which
9 are in excess of \$100 and the total campaign expenses of each of the
10 candidates from whom reports of those contributions and expenses
11 are required.

12 2. The total amount of loans to a candidate guaranteed by a
13 third party, the total amount of loans made to a candidate that have
14 been forgiven and the total amount of written commitments for
15 contributions received by a candidate.

16 3. The contributions made to a committee for the recall of a
17 public officer in excess of \$100.

18 4. The expenditures exceeding \$100 made by a:

19 (a) Person on behalf of a candidate other than the person.

20 (b) Group of persons ~~for business entity~~ advocating the election
21 or defeat of a candidate.

22 (c) Committee for the recall of a public officer.

23 5. The contributions in excess of \$100 made to:

24 (a) A person who is not under the direction or control of a
25 candidate or group of candidates or of any person involved in the
26 campaign of the candidate or group who makes an expenditure on
27 behalf of the candidate or group which is not solicited or approved
28 by the candidate or group.

29 (b) A committee for political action, political party ~~or~~ *or*
30 committee sponsored by a political party ~~for business entity~~ which
31 makes an expenditure on behalf of a candidate or group of
32 candidates.

33 6. The contributions in excess of \$1,000 made to and the
34 expenditures exceeding \$1,000 made by a:

35 (a) Person or group of persons organized formally or informally
36 ~~including a business entity~~ who advocates the passage or defeat
37 of a question or group of questions on the ballot and who receives or
38 expends money in an amount in excess of \$10,000 for such
39 advocacy, except as otherwise provided in paragraph (b).

40 (b) Person or group of persons organized formally or informally
41 ~~including a business entity~~ who advocates the passage or defeat
42 of a constitutional amendment or statewide measure proposed by an
43 initiative or referendum, including, without limitation, the initiation
44 or circulation thereof, and who receives or expends money in an
45 amount in excess of \$10,000 for such advocacy.



1 7. *The expenditures exceeding \$5,000 made by:*

2 (a) *A person who is not under the direction or control of a*
3 *candidate or group of candidates or of any person involved in the*
4 *campaign of the candidate or group who makes an expenditure on*
5 *behalf of the candidate or group which is not solicited or approved*
6 *by the candidate or group.*

7 (b) *A committee for political action, political party or*
8 *committee sponsored by a political party which makes an*
9 *expenditure on behalf of a candidate or group of candidates.*

10 8. The total contributions received by and expenditures made
11 from a legal defense fund ~~+~~ *or used to pay legal expenses.*

12 **Sec. 63.** NRS 294A.420 is hereby amended to read as follows:

13 294A.420 1. If the Secretary of State receives information
14 that a person or entity that is subject to the provisions of NRS
15 294A.120, 294A.128, 294A.140, 294A.150, 294A.200, 294A.210,
16 294A.220, ~~294A.227,~~ 294A.230, 294A.270, 294A.280, 294A.283,
17 294A.286 or 294A.360 *or section 37 or 38 of this act* has not filed a
18 report or form for registration pursuant to the applicable provisions
19 of those sections, the Secretary of State may, after giving notice to
20 that person or entity, cause the appropriate proceedings to be
21 instituted in the First Judicial District Court.

22 2. Except as otherwise provided in this section, a person or
23 entity that violates an applicable provision of ~~NRS 294A.112,~~
24 ~~294A.120, 294A.128, 294A.130, 294A.140, 294A.150, 294A.160,~~
25 ~~294A.200, 294A.210, 294A.220, 294A.227, 294A.230, 294A.270,~~
26 ~~294A.280, 294A.283, 294A.286, 294A.300, 294A.310 or 294A.360~~
27 *this chapter* is subject to a civil penalty of not more than \$5,000 for
28 each violation and payment of court costs and attorney's fees. The
29 civil penalty must be recovered in a civil action brought in the name
30 of the State of Nevada by the Secretary of State in the First Judicial
31 District Court and deposited by the Secretary of State for credit to
32 the State General Fund in the bank designated by the State
33 Treasurer.

34 3. If a civil penalty is imposed because a person or entity has
35 reported its contributions, expenses or expenditures after the date
36 the report is due, except as otherwise provided in this subsection, the
37 amount of the civil penalty is:

38 (a) If the report is not more than 7 days late, \$25 for each day
39 the report is late.

40 (b) If the report is more than 7 days late but not more than 15
41 days late, \$50 for each day the report is late.

42 (c) If the report is more than 15 days late, \$100 for each day the
43 report is late.

44 ➤ A civil penalty imposed pursuant to this subsection against a
45 public officer who by law is not entitled to receive compensation for



1 his or her office or a candidate for such an office must not exceed a
2 total of \$100 if the public officer or candidate received no
3 contributions and made no expenditures during the relevant
4 reporting periods.

5 4. For good cause shown, the Secretary of State may waive a
6 civil penalty that would otherwise be imposed pursuant to this
7 section. If the Secretary of State waives a civil penalty pursuant to
8 this subsection, the Secretary of State shall:

9 (a) Create a record which sets forth that the civil penalty has
10 been waived and describes the circumstances that constitute the
11 good cause shown; and

12 (b) Ensure that the record created pursuant to paragraph (a) is
13 available for review by the general public.

14 **Sec. 64.** NRS 295.012 is hereby amended to read as follows:

15 295.012 A petition for initiative *or referendum* that proposes a
16 ~~[statute, an amendment to a statute or an amendment to the~~
17 ~~Constitution]~~ *constitutional amendment or statewide measure* must
18 be proposed by a number of registered voters from each petition
19 district in the State that is at least equal to 10 percent of the voters
20 who voted in that petition district at the last preceding general
21 election.

22 **Sec. 65.** NRS 295.0575 is hereby amended to read as follows:

23 295.0575 A petition for a constitutional amendment or a
24 petition for a statewide measure proposed by an initiative or
25 referendum may consist of more than one document. Each
26 document of a petition must have attached to it when submitted an
27 affidavit executed by the circulator thereof stating:

- 28 1. That the circulator personally circulated the document;
- 29 2. The number of signatures thereon;
- 30 3. That all the signatures were affixed in the circulator's
31 presence; ~~[and]~~

32 4. That each signer had an opportunity before signing to read
33 the full text of the act or resolution on which the initiative or
34 referendum is demanded ~~[]~~;

- 35 5. *The address and contact information of the circulator; and*
- 36 6. *That the circulator is 18 years of age or older.*

37 **Sec. 66.** NRS 281A.610 is hereby amended to read as follows:

38 281A.610 1. Except as otherwise provided in subsection 2,
39 each candidate for public office who will be entitled to receive
40 annual compensation of \$6,000 or more for serving in the office that
41 the candidate is seeking and, except as otherwise provided in
42 subsection 3, each public officer who was elected to the office for
43 which the public officer is serving shall file with the Secretary of
44 State a statement of financial disclosure, as follows:



1 (a) A candidate for nomination, election or reelection to public
2 office shall file a statement of financial disclosure no later than the
3 10th day after the last day to qualify as a candidate for the office.
4 The statement must disclose the required information for the full
5 calendar year immediately preceding the date of filing and for the
6 period between January 1 of the year in which the election for
7 the office will be held and the last day to qualify as a candidate for
8 the office. The filing of a statement of financial disclosure for a
9 portion of a calendar year pursuant to this paragraph does not relieve
10 the candidate of the requirement of filing a statement of financial
11 disclosure for the full calendar year pursuant to paragraph (b) in the
12 immediately succeeding year, if the candidate is elected to the
13 office.

14 (b) Each public officer shall file a statement of financial
15 disclosure :

16 *(1) If the public officer is a Legislator, on or before*
17 *January 15 of each year of the term, including the year the term*
18 *expires, and of the year immediately following the year in which*
19 *the Legislator's term expires.*

20 *(2) If the public officer is not a Legislator,* on or before
21 January 15 of each year of the term, including the year the term
22 expires.

23 ↳ The statement must disclose the required information for the full
24 calendar year immediately preceding the date of filing.

25 2. Except as otherwise provided in this subsection, if a
26 candidate for public office is serving in a public office for which the
27 candidate is required to file a statement pursuant to paragraph (b) of
28 subsection 1 or subsection 1 of NRS 281A.600, the candidate need
29 not file the statement required by subsection 1 for the full calendar
30 year for which the candidate previously filed a statement. The
31 provisions of this subsection do not relieve the candidate of the
32 requirement pursuant to paragraph (a) of subsection 1 to file a
33 statement of financial disclosure for the period between January 1 of
34 the year in which the election for the office will be held and the last
35 day to qualify as a candidate for the office.

36 3. A person elected pursuant to NRS 548.285 to the office of
37 supervisor of a conservation district is not required to file a
38 statement of financial disclosure relative to that office pursuant to
39 subsection 1.

40 4. A candidate for judicial office or a judicial officer shall file a
41 statement of financial disclosure pursuant to the requirements of
42 Canon 4I of the Nevada Code of Judicial Conduct. Such a statement
43 of financial disclosure must include, without limitation, all
44 information required to be included in a statement of financial
45 disclosure pursuant to NRS 281A.620.



1 5. A statement of financial disclosure shall be deemed to be
2 filed with the Secretary of State ~~[-~~

3 ~~—(a) On the date that it was mailed if it was sent by certified mail;~~
4 ~~or~~

5 ~~—(b) On]~~ on the date that it was received by the Secretary of State
6 ~~[-]~~, *regardless of whether* the statement was sent by regular *mail*
7 *or certified* mail, transmitted by facsimile machine or electronic
8 means, or delivered personally.

9 6. The statement of financial disclosure filed pursuant to this
10 section must be filed on the form prescribed by the Commission
11 pursuant to NRS 281A.290.

12 7. The Secretary of State shall prescribe, by regulation,
13 procedures for the submission of statements of financial disclosure
14 filed pursuant to this section, maintain files of such statements and
15 make the statements available for public inspection.

16 **Sec. 67.** Section 5.015 of the Charter of the City of Carlin,
17 being chapter 344, Statutes of Nevada 1971, as added by chapter
18 493, Statutes of Nevada 2009, at page 2937, is hereby amended to
19 read as follows:

20 Sec. 5.015 Filing of declarations of candidacy.

21 1. A candidate to be voted for at the general election
22 must file a declaration of candidacy with the City Clerk ~~[-not~~
23 ~~less than 5 days or more than 15 days before the day of the~~
24 ~~primary election held pursuant to the provisions of NRS~~
25 ~~293.175.] as provided by the election laws of this State.~~ The
26 City Clerk shall charge and collect from the candidate and the
27 candidate must pay to the City Clerk, at the time of filing the
28 declaration of candidacy, a filing fee in an amount fixed by
29 the City Council by ordinance or resolution.

30 2. If, due to the death or ineligibility of or withdrawal by
31 a candidate, a vacancy occurs in a nomination after the close
32 of filing and any applicable period for withdrawal of
33 candidacy, the candidate's name must remain on the ballot for
34 the general election and, if elected, a vacancy exists.

35 **Sec. 68.** Section 5.015 of the Charter of the City of Wells,
36 being chapter 275, Statutes of Nevada 1971, as added by chapter
37 493, Statutes of Nevada 2009, at page 2938, is hereby amended to
38 read as follows:

39 Sec. 5.015 Filing of declarations of candidacy.

40 1. A candidate to be voted for at the general election
41 must file a declaration of candidacy with the City Clerk ~~[-not~~
42 ~~less than 5 days or more than 15 days before the day of the~~
43 ~~primary election held pursuant to the provisions of NRS~~
44 ~~293.175.] as provided by the election laws of this State.~~ The
45 City Clerk shall charge and collect from the candidate and the



1 candidate must pay to the City Clerk, at the time of filing the
2 declaration of candidacy, a filing fee in an amount fixed by
3 the City Council by ordinance or resolution.

4 2. If, due to the death or ineligibility of or withdrawal by
5 a candidate, a vacancy occurs in a nomination after the close
6 of filing and any applicable period for withdrawal of
7 candidacy, the candidate's name must remain on the ballot for
8 the general election and, if elected, a vacancy exists.

9 **Sec. 69.** NRS 294A.003 and 294A.227 are hereby repealed.

TEXT OF REPEALED SECTIONS

294A.003 "Business entity" defined. "Business entity" means any corporation, company or other form of business organization. The term does not include a business entity for which:

1. The owners, investors, officers, directors, members or other organizers of the entity are disclosed in any public record; or

2. The business purpose of the entity is disclosed in a public record that clearly identifies a specific business in a manner that is verifiable.

294A.227 Registration; publication of information relating to registration.

1. A business entity shall register with the Secretary of State by submitting the completed form described in subsection 2 before it engages in any of the following activities in this State:

(a) Soliciting or receiving contributions from any other person, group or entity;

(b) Making contributions to candidates or other persons; or

(c) Making expenditures,

↳ designed to affect the outcome of any primary election, primary city election, general election, general city election, special election or question on the ballot.

2. The form must require:

(a) The name of the business entity;

(b) The purpose for which it was organized;

(c) The names and addresses of each owner, investor, officer, director, member or other organizer of the entity;

(d) If the business entity is affiliated with any other organization, the name, address and telephone number of each such organization;

(e) The name, address and telephone number of its registered agent, if any;



(f) A designation of the activities listed in subsection 1 in which it intends to engage; and

(g) Any other information deemed necessary by the Secretary of State.

3. The Secretary of State shall, in a timely manner, include on the portion of the Secretary of State's Internet website that is devoted to information concerning elections and campaigns the information required pursuant to subsection 2.

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