

SENATE BILL NO. 63—COMMITTEE ON  
LEGISLATIVE OPERATIONS AND ELECTIONS

(ON BEHALF OF THE SECRETARY OF STATE)

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Referred to Committee on Legislative Operations and Elections

SUMMARY—Revises provisions governing the administration of elections. (BDR 24-384)

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

CONTAINS UNFUNDED MANDATE (§§ 2, 3, 13, 14)  
(NOT REQUESTED BY AFFECTED LOCAL GOVERNMENT)

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

AN ACT relating to elections; providing for photographs of voters to be included in election board registers and rosters for early voting; requiring county clerks and city clerks to provide certain equipment relating to such photographs to election board officers and to deputy clerks for early voting; requiring the Department of Motor Vehicles to provide digital colored photographs of registered voters to the Secretary of State or a county clerk upon request; amending provisions relating to the identification of a registered voter who is unable to sign his or her name; prohibiting the inclusion of certain information in a list of registered voters made available to the public; requiring county clerks to create electronic election board registers; making various other changes relating to elections; and providing other matters properly relating thereto.

**Legislative Counsel's Digest:**

- 1     **Sections 9, 11, 18 and 19** of this bill provide for photographs of voters to be  
2 included in rosters for early voting and election board registers under certain  
3 circumstances. **Section 5** of this bill requires the Secretary of State to adopt  
4 regulations setting forth the procedures for obtaining photographs of registered  
5 voters that are required under certain circumstances to be included in rosters for  
6 early voting and election board registers, and **section 4** of this bill requires the



7 Department of Motor Vehicles to provide such photographs to the Secretary of  
8 State or county clerks upon request.

9 **Sections 6, 9, 15 and 18** of this bill require the election board officer or deputy  
10 clerk for early voting, as applicable, to compare the photograph included in the  
11 election board register or roster for early voting, if any, to the appearance of the  
12 person applying to vote. If the election board officer or deputy clerk for early  
13 voting: (1) believes that the person in the photograph is the person applying to vote,  
14 the election board officer or deputy clerk for early voting shall allow the person to  
15 vote; or (2) does not believe that the person in the photograph is the person  
16 applying to vote, the election board officer or deputy clerk for early voting shall  
17 allow the person to vote if the person provides a written affirmation signed under  
18 penalty of perjury that he or she is the registered voter who he or she claims to be.  
19 If the election board register or roster for early voting does not contain a  
20 photograph next to the person's name, the election board officer or deputy clerk for  
21 early voting shall request that the person authorize the election board officer or  
22 deputy clerk for early voting to take a photograph of the person or provide to the  
23 election board officer or deputy clerk for early voting his or her driver's license  
24 number or identification card number, if any. If, in response to such a request, the  
25 person: (1) provides his or her driver's license number or identification card  
26 number, the election board officer or deputy clerk for early voting shall record the  
27 number in the election board register or roster for early voting and allow the person  
28 to vote; (2) authorizes the election board officer or deputy clerk for early voting to  
29 take the person's photograph, the election board officer or deputy clerk for early  
30 voting shall take the picture and allow the person to vote; or (3) declines to comply  
31 with the request, the election board officer or deputy clerk for early voting shall  
32 allow the person to vote if the person provides a written affirmation signed under  
33 penalty of perjury that he or she is the registered voter who he or she claims to be.

34 **Sections 2, 3, 13 and 14** of this bill require county clerks and city clerks to  
35 provide election board officers and deputy clerks for early voting with the  
36 equipment necessary to take digital colored photographs of voters.

37 **Sections 8 and 17** of this bill prohibit a voter from being challenged on the  
38 basis that: (1) the voter declines to comply with a request to provide his or her  
39 driver's license number or identification card number at the time he or she appears  
40 to vote in person; (2) the voter does not have a driver's license or identification  
41 card; (3) the election board register or roster for early voting does not contain a  
42 photograph of the voter; (4) the voter declines to comply with a request that he or  
43 she authorize an election board officer or a deputy clerk for early voting to take his  
44 or her photograph; or (5) an election board officer or a deputy clerk for early voting  
45 does not believe that the person applying to vote is the same person in the  
46 photograph contained in the election board register or roster for early voting.

47 **Sections 7 and 16** of this bill make changes to provisions governing the  
48 identification of a voter who is unable to sign his or her name.

49 **Section 10** of this bill prohibits certain information about a registered voter,  
50 including a photograph, from being included on any list of registered voters made  
51 available to the public.



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.** *A county clerk shall provide each election board*  
4 *officer with the equipment necessary to:*

5       1. *Take a digital colored photograph of a person pursuant to*  
6 *NRS 293.277; and*

7       2. *Store each photograph taken of a person and each driver's*  
8 *license number and identification card number provided by a*  
9 *person pursuant to NRS 293.277 in a secure manner that may not*  
10 *be modified, copied or destroyed.*

11       **Sec. 3.** *A county clerk shall provide each deputy clerk for*  
12 *early voting with the equipment necessary to:*

13       1. *Take a digital colored photograph of a person pursuant to*  
14 *NRS 293.3585; and*

15       2. *Store each photograph taken of a person and each driver's*  
16 *license number and identification card number provided by a*  
17 *person pursuant to NRS 293.3585 in a secure manner that may*  
18 *not be modified, copied or destroyed.*

19       **Sec. 4.** *The Department of Motor Vehicles shall provide*  
20 *digital colored photographs of registered voters to the Secretary of*  
21 *State or to a county clerk upon request. The Secretary of State and*  
22 *the Department shall enter into a cooperative agreement to carry*  
23 *out the provisions of this section.*

24       **Sec. 5.** NRS 293.247 is hereby amended to read as follows:

25       293.247 1. The Secretary of State shall adopt regulations, not  
26 inconsistent with the election laws of this State, for the conduct of  
27 primary, general, special and district elections in all cities and  
28 counties. Permanent regulations of the Secretary of State that  
29 regulate the conduct of a primary, general, special or district  
30 election that are effective on or before December 31 of the year  
31 immediately preceding a primary, general, special or district  
32 election govern the conduct of that election.

33       2. The Secretary of State shall prescribe the forms for a  
34 declaration of candidacy, certificate of candidacy, acceptance of  
35 candidacy and any petition which is filed pursuant to the general  
36 election laws of this State.

37       3. The regulations must prescribe:

38       (a) The duties of election boards;

39       (b) The type and amount of election supplies;

40       (c) The manner of printing ballots and the number of ballots to  
41 be distributed to precincts and districts;



- 1 (d) The method to be used in distributing ballots to precincts and  
2 districts;
- 3 (e) The method of inspection and the disposition of ballot boxes;
- 4 (f) The form and placement of instructions to voters;
- 5 (g) The recess periods for election boards;
- 6 (h) The size, lighting and placement of voting booths;
- 7 (i) The amount and placement of guardrails and other furniture  
8 and equipment at voting places;
- 9 (j) The disposition of election returns;
- 10 (k) The procedures to be used for canvasses, ties, recounts and  
11 contests, including, without limitation, the appropriate use of a  
12 paper record created when a voter casts a ballot on a mechanical  
13 voting system that directly records the votes electronically;
- 14 (l) The procedures to be used to ensure the security of the ballots  
15 from the time they are transferred from the polling place until they  
16 are stored pursuant to the provisions of NRS 293.391 or 293C.390;
- 17 (m) The procedures to be used to ensure the security and  
18 accuracy of computer programs and tapes used for elections;
- 19 (n) The procedures to be used for the testing, use and auditing of  
20 a mechanical voting system which directly records the votes  
21 electronically and which creates a paper record when a voter casts a  
22 ballot on the system;
- 23 (o) The procedures to be used for the disposition of absent  
24 ballots in case of an emergency;
- 25 (p) The acceptable standards for the sending and receiving of  
26 applications, forms and ballots, by approved electronic transmission,  
27 by the county clerks and the electors or registered voters who are  
28 authorized to use approved electronic transmission pursuant to the  
29 provisions of this title;
- 30 (q) The forms for applications to register to vote and any other  
31 forms necessary for the administration of this title; ~~and~~
- 32 (r) *The procedures for obtaining photographs of registered*  
33 *voters that are required to be included in election board registers*  
34 *and rosters for early voting;*
- 35 (s) *The procedures to be followed by election board officers*  
36 *and deputy clerks for early voting, as applicable, to take*  
37 *photographs and obtain driver's license numbers and*  
38 *identification card numbers pursuant to NRS 293.277, 293.3585,*  
39 *293C.270 and 293C.3585; and*
- 40 (t) Such other matters as determined necessary by the Secretary  
41 of State.
- 42 4. The Secretary of State may provide interpretations and take  
43 other actions necessary for the effective administration of the  
44 statutes and regulations governing the conduct of primary, general,  
45 special and district elections in this State.



1 5. The Secretary of State shall prepare and distribute to each  
2 county and city clerk copies of:

- 3 (a) Laws and regulations concerning elections in this State;
- 4 (b) Interpretations issued by the Secretary of State's Office; and
- 5 (c) Any Attorney General's opinions or any state or federal  
6 court decisions which affect state election laws or regulations  
7 whenever any of those opinions or decisions become known to the  
8 Secretary of State.

9 **Sec. 6.** NRS 293.277 is hereby amended to read as follows:

10 293.277 1. Except as otherwise provided in NRS 293.541,  
11 *and subject to the provisions of subsections 2, 3 and 4*, if a  
12 person's name appears in the election board register or if the person  
13 provides an affirmation pursuant to NRS 293.525, the person is  
14 entitled to vote and must sign his or her name in the election board  
15 register when he or she applies to vote. The signature must be  
16 compared by an election board officer with the signature or a  
17 facsimile thereof on the person's original application to register to  
18 vote or one of the forms of identification listed in subsection 2.

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

- 22 (a) The card issued to the voter at the time he or she registered  
23 to vote;
- 24 (b) A driver's license;
- 25 (c) An identification card issued by the Department of Motor  
26 Vehicles;
- 27 (d) A military identification card; or
- 28 (e) Any other form of identification issued by a governmental  
29 agency which contains the voter's signature and physical description  
30 or picture.

31 *3. If the election board register contains a photograph next to*  
32 *the person's name, an election board officer shall compare the*  
33 *photograph with the appearance of the person. If the election*  
34 *board officer:*

35 *(a) Believes that the person in the photograph is the person*  
36 *applying to vote, the election board officer shall allow the person*  
37 *to vote.*

38 *(b) Does not believe that the person in the photograph is the*  
39 *person applying to vote, the election board officer shall allow the*  
40 *person to vote if the person provides a written affirmation signed*  
41 *under penalty of perjury in the form prescribed by the Secretary of*  
42 *State that he or she is the registered voter who he or she claims to*  
43 *be.*

44 *4. If the election board register does not contain a*  
45 *photograph next to the person's name, an election board officer*



1 *shall request that the person authorize the election board officer to*  
2 *take a photograph of the person or provide to the election board*  
3 *officer his or her driver's license number or identification card*  
4 *number, if any. If the person:*

5 *(a) Provides to the election board officer the person's driver's*  
6 *license number or identification card number, the election board*  
7 *officer shall record the number in the election board register and*  
8 *allow the person to vote.*

9 *(b) Authorizes the election board officer to take the person's*  
10 *photograph, the election board officer shall take the photograph*  
11 *and allow the person to vote.*

12 *(c) Declines to comply with the election board officer's*  
13 *request, the election board officer shall allow the person to vote if*  
14 *the person provides a written affirmation signed under penalty of*  
15 *perjury in the form prescribed by the Secretary of State that he or*  
16 *she is the registered voter who he or she claims to be.*

17 **Sec. 7.** NRS 293.283 is hereby amended to read as follows:

18 293.283 Any registered voter who is unable to sign his or her  
19 name must be identified by answering questions covering the  
20 personal data which is reported on the original application to  
21 register to vote. The officer in charge of the roster shall *mark,*  
22 *stamp, write , ~~for~~ print or otherwise indicate* "Identified as" *next to*  
23 *~~the left of~~* the voter's name.

24 **Sec. 8.** NRS 293.303 is hereby amended to read as follows:

25 293.303 1. A person applying to vote may be challenged:

26 (a) ~~Orally~~ *Except as otherwise provided in subsection 10,*  
27 *orally* by any registered voter of the precinct upon the ground that  
28 he or she is not the person entitled to vote as claimed or has voted  
29 before at the same election. A registered voter who initiates a  
30 challenge pursuant to this paragraph must submit an affirmation that  
31 is signed under penalty of perjury and in the form prescribed by the  
32 Secretary of State stating that the challenge is based on the personal  
33 knowledge of the registered voter.

34 (b) On any ground set forth in a challenge filed with the county  
35 clerk pursuant to the provisions of NRS 293.547.

36 2. If a person is challenged, an election board officer shall  
37 tender the challenged person the following oath or affirmation:

38 (a) If the challenge is on the ground that the challenged person  
39 does not belong to the political party designated upon the register, "I  
40 swear or affirm under penalty of perjury that I belong to the political  
41 party designated upon the register";

42 (b) If the challenge is on the ground that the register does not  
43 show that the challenged person designated the political party to  
44 which he or she claims to belong, "I swear or affirm under penalty



1 of perjury that I designated on the application to register to vote the  
2 political party to which I claim to belong”;

3 (c) If the challenge is on the ground that the challenged person  
4 does not reside at the residence for which the address is listed in the  
5 election board register, “I swear or affirm under penalty of perjury  
6 that I reside at the residence for which the address is listed in the  
7 election board register”;

8 (d) If the challenge is on the ground that the challenged person  
9 previously voted a ballot for the election, “I swear or affirm under  
10 penalty of perjury that I have not voted for any of the candidates or  
11 questions included on this ballot for this election”; or

12 (e) If the challenge is on the ground that the challenged person is  
13 not the person he or she claims to be, “I swear or affirm under  
14 penalty of perjury that I am the person whose name is in this  
15 election board register.”

16 ➔ The oath or affirmation must be set forth on a form prepared by  
17 the Secretary of State and signed by the challenged person under  
18 penalty of perjury.

19 3. Except as otherwise provided in subsection 4, if the  
20 challenged person refuses to execute the oath or affirmation so  
21 tendered, he or she must not be issued a ballot, and the officer in  
22 charge of the election board register shall write the words  
23 “Challenged .....” opposite his or her name in the election  
24 board register.

25 4. If the challenged person refuses to execute the oath or  
26 affirmation set forth in paragraph (a) or (b) of subsection 2, the  
27 election board officers shall issue the person a nonpartisan ballot.

28 5. If the challenged person refuses to execute the oath or  
29 affirmation set forth in paragraph (c) of subsection 2, the election  
30 board officers shall inform the person that he or she is entitled to  
31 vote only in the manner prescribed in NRS 293.304.

32 6. If the challenged person executes the oath or affirmation and  
33 the challenge is not based on the ground set forth in paragraph (e) of  
34 subsection 2, the election board officers shall issue the person a  
35 partisan ballot.

36 7. If the challenge is based on the ground set forth in paragraph  
37 (c) of subsection 2, and the challenged person executes the oath or  
38 affirmation, the election board shall not issue the person a ballot  
39 until he or she furnishes satisfactory identification which contains  
40 proof of the address at which the person actually resides. For the  
41 purposes of this subsection, a voter registration card issued pursuant  
42 to NRS 293.517 does not provide proof of the address at which a  
43 person resides.

44 8. If the challenge is based on the ground set forth in paragraph  
45 (e) of subsection 2 and the challenged person executes the oath or



1 affirmation, the election board shall not issue the person a ballot  
2 unless the person:

3 (a) Furnishes official identification which contains a photograph  
4 of the person, such as a driver's license or other official document;  
5 or

6 (b) Brings before the election board officers a person who is at  
7 least 18 years of age who:

8 (1) Furnishes official identification which contains a  
9 photograph of that person, such as a driver's license or other official  
10 document; and

11 (2) Executes an oath or affirmation under penalty of perjury  
12 that the challenged person is who he or she swears to be.

13 9. The election board officers shall:

14 (a) Record on the challenge list:

15 (1) The name of the challenged person;

16 (2) The name of the registered voter who initiated the  
17 challenge; and

18 (3) The result of the challenge; and

19 (b) If possible, orally notify the registered voter who initiated  
20 the challenge of the result of the challenge.

21 ***10. No person may be challenged pursuant to paragraph (a)***  
22 ***of subsection 1 because:***

23 ***(a) The person declines to comply with a request to provide his***  
24 ***or her driver's license number or identification card number at the***  
25 ***time he or she appears to vote in person pursuant to NRS 293.277***  
26 ***or 293.3585;***

27 ***(b) The person does not have a driver's license or***  
28 ***identification card;***

29 ***(c) The election board register or roster for early voting does***  
30 ***not contain a photograph of the person;***

31 ***(d) The person declines to comply with a request that he or she***  
32 ***authorize an election board officer or a deputy clerk for early***  
33 ***voting to take the person's photograph; or***

34 ***(e) An election board officer or a deputy clerk for early voting***  
35 ***believes that a person applying to vote is not the same person in***  
36 ***the photograph contained in the election board register or roster***  
37 ***for early voting.***

38 **Sec. 9.** NRS 293.3585 is hereby amended to read as follows:

39 293.3585 1. Upon the appearance of a person to cast a ballot  
40 for early voting, the deputy clerk for early voting shall:

41 (a) Determine that the person is a registered voter in the county;

42 (b) Instruct the voter to sign the roster for early voting; ~~hand~~

43 (c) Verify the signature of the voter against that contained on the  
44 original application to register to vote or a facsimile thereof, the





1 card issued to the voter at the time of registration or some other  
2 piece of official identification ~~H~~; and

3 *(d) Comply with the provisions of subsection 2 or 3, as*  
4 *applicable.*

5 2. *If the roster for early voting contains a photograph next to*  
6 *the person's name, a deputy clerk for early voting shall compare*  
7 *the photograph with the appearance of the person. If the deputy*  
8 *clerk for early voting:*

9 *(a) Believes that the person in the photograph is the person*  
10 *applying to vote, the deputy clerk for early voting shall allow the*  
11 *person to vote.*

12 *(b) Does not believe that the person in the photograph is the*  
13 *person applying to vote, the deputy clerk for early voting shall*  
14 *allow the person to vote if the person provides a written*  
15 *affirmation signed under penalty of perjury in the form prescribed*  
16 *by the Secretary of State that he or she is the registered voter who*  
17 *he or she claims to be.*

18 3. *If the roster for early voting does not contain a photograph*  
19 *next to the person's name, the deputy clerk for early voting shall*  
20 *request that the person authorize the deputy clerk for early voting*  
21 *to take a photograph of the person or provide to the deputy clerk*  
22 *for early voting his or her driver's license number or identification*  
23 *card number, if any. If the person:*

24 *(a) Provides to the deputy clerk for early voting the person's*  
25 *driver's license number or identification card number, the deputy*  
26 *clerk for early voting shall record the number in the roster for*  
27 *early voting and allow the person to vote.*

28 *(b) Authorizes the deputy clerk for early voting to take the*  
29 *person's photograph, the deputy clerk for early voting shall take*  
30 *the photograph and allow the person to vote.*

31 *(c) Declines to comply with the deputy clerk for early voting's*  
32 *request, the deputy clerk for early voting shall allow the person to*  
33 *vote if the person provides a written affirmation signed under*  
34 *penalty of perjury in the form prescribed by the Secretary of State*  
35 *that he or she is the registered voter who he or she claims to be.*

36 4. The county clerk shall prescribe a procedure, approved by  
37 the Secretary of State, to determine that the voter has not already  
38 voted pursuant to this section.

39 ~~H~~ 5. The roster for early voting must contain:

40 (a) The voter's name, the address where he or she is registered  
41 to vote, his or her voter identification number, ~~and~~ a place for the  
42 voter's signature ~~H~~ *and the voter's photograph, if a photograph of*  
43 *the voter has been obtained pursuant to subsection 3, NRS*  
44 *293.277, 293C.270 or 293C.3585 or section 4 of this act;*

45 (b) The voter's precinct or voting district number; and



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

2 ~~14~~ 6. When a voter is entitled to cast a ballot and has  
3 identified himself or herself to the satisfaction of the deputy clerk  
4 for early voting, the voter is entitled to receive the appropriate ballot  
5 or ballots, but only for his or her own use at the polling place for  
6 early voting.

7 ~~15~~ 7. If the ballot is voted on a mechanical recording device  
8 which directly records the votes electronically, the deputy clerk for  
9 early voting shall:

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

11 (b) Ensure that the voter's precinct or voting district and the  
12 form of ballot are indicated on the voting receipt, if the county clerk  
13 uses voting receipts; and

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

15 ~~16~~ 8. A voter applying to vote early by personal appearance  
16 may be challenged pursuant to NRS 293.303.

17 **Sec. 10.** NRS 293.440 is hereby amended to read as follows:

18 293.440 1. Any person who desires a copy of any list of the  
19 persons who are registered to vote in any precinct, district or county  
20 may obtain a copy by applying at the office of the county clerk and  
21 paying therefor a sum of money equal to 1 cent per name on the list,  
22 except that one copy of each original and supplemental list for  
23 each precinct, district or county must be provided both to the state  
24 central committee of any major political party and to the county  
25 central committee of any major political party, and to the executive  
26 committee of any minor political party upon request, without  
27 charge.

28 2. Except as otherwise provided in NRS 293.5002 and  
29 293.558, the copy of the list provided pursuant to this section must  
30 indicate the address, date of birth, telephone number and the serial  
31 number on each application to register to vote. *The copy of the list*  
32 *must not include a photograph of a person or indicate any portion*  
33 *of a person's driver's license number, identification card number*  
34 *or social security number.* If the county maintains this information  
35 in a computer database, the date of the most recent addition or  
36 revision to an entry, if made on or after July 1, 1989, must be  
37 included in the database and on any resulting list of the information.  
38 The date must be expressed numerically in the order of month, day  
39 and year.

40 3. A county may not pay more than 10 cents per folio or more  
41 than \$6 per thousand copies for printed lists for a precinct or district.

42 4. A county which has a system of computers capable of  
43 recording information on magnetic tape or diskette shall, upon  
44 request of the state central committee or county central committee  
45 of any major political party or the executive committee of any minor



1 political party which has filed a certificate of existence with the  
2 Secretary of State, record for both the state central committee and  
3 the county central committee of the major political party, if  
4 requested, and for the executive committee of the minor political  
5 party, if requested, on magnetic tape or diskette supplied by it:

6 (a) The list of persons who are registered to vote and the  
7 information required in subsection 2; and

8 (b) Not more than four times per year, as requested by the state  
9 or county central committee or the executive committee:

10 (1) A complete list of the persons who are registered to vote  
11 with a notation for the most recent entry of the date on which the  
12 entry or the latest change in the information was made; or

13 (2) A list that includes additions and revisions made to the  
14 list of persons who are registered to vote after a date specified by the  
15 state or county central committee or the executive committee.

16 5. If a political party does not provide its own magnetic tape or  
17 diskette, or if a political party requests the list in any other form that  
18 does not require printing, the county clerk may charge a fee to cover  
19 the actual cost of providing the tape, diskette or list.

20 6. Any state or county central committee of a major political  
21 party, any executive committee of a minor political party or any  
22 member or representative of such a central committee or executive  
23 committee who receives without charge a list of the persons who are  
24 registered to vote in any precinct, district or county pursuant to this  
25 section shall not:

26 (a) Use the list for any purpose that is not related to an election;  
27 or

28 (b) Sell the list for compensation or other valuable  
29 consideration.

30 **Sec. 11.** NRS 293.510 is hereby amended to read as follows:

31 293.510 1. In counties where computers are not used to  
32 register voters, the county clerk shall:

33 (a) Segregate original applications to register to vote according  
34 to the precinct in which the registered voters reside and arrange the  
35 applications in each precinct or district in alphabetical order. The  
36 applications for each precinct or district must be kept in a separate  
37 binder which is marked with the number of the precinct or district.

38 ~~{This binder constitutes the}~~ *For each precinct and district, the*  
39 *county clerk shall create a computer listing which contains the*  
40 *information included in the applications to register to vote and a*  
41 *photograph of each registered voter whose photograph has been*  
42 *obtained pursuant to NRS 293.277, 293.3585, 293C.270 or*  
43 *293C.3585 or section 4 of this act. This computer listing is the*  
44 election board register.



1 (b) Arrange the duplicate applications of registration in  
2 alphabetical order for the entire county and keep them in binders or  
3 a suitable file which constitutes the registrar of voters' register.

4 2. In any county where a computer is used to register voters,  
5 the county clerk shall:

6 (a) Arrange the original applications to register to vote for the  
7 entire county in a manner in which an original application may be  
8 quickly located. These original applications constitute the registrar  
9 of voters' register.

10 (b) Segregate the applications to register to vote in a computer  
11 file according to the precinct or district in which the registered  
12 voters reside, and for each precinct or district have printed a  
13 computer listing which contains the applications to register to vote  
14 in alphabetical order. These listings of applications to register to  
15 vote must be placed in separate binders which are marked with the  
16 number of the precinct or district. These binders constitute the  
17 election board registers.

18 **Sec. 12.** Chapter 293C of NRS is hereby amended by adding  
19 thereto the provisions set forth as sections 13 and 14 of this act.

20 **Sec. 13.** *A city clerk shall provide each election board officer*  
21 *with any equipment necessary to:*

22 1. *Take a digital colored photograph of a person pursuant to*  
23 *NRS 293C.270; and*

24 2. *Store each photograph taken of a person and each driver's*  
25 *license number and identification card number provided by a*  
26 *person pursuant to NRS 293C.270 in a secure manner that may*  
27 *not be modified, copied or destroyed.*

28 **Sec. 14.** *A city clerk shall provide each deputy clerk for early*  
29 *voting with any equipment necessary to:*

30 1. *Take a digital colored photograph of a person pursuant to*  
31 *NRS 293C.3585; and*

32 2. *Store each photograph taken of a person and each driver's*  
33 *license number and identification card number provided by a*  
34 *person pursuant to NRS 293C.3585 in a secure manner that may*  
35 *not be modified, copied or destroyed.*

36 **Sec. 15.** NRS 293C.270 is hereby amended to read as follows:

37 293C.270 1. ~~##~~ *Except as otherwise provided in NRS*  
38 *293.541, and subject to the provisions of subsections 2, 3 and 4, if*

39 a person's name appears in the election board register or if  
40 the person provides an affirmation pursuant to NRS 293C.525, the  
41 person is entitled to vote and must sign his or her name in the  
42 election board register when he or she applies to vote. The signature  
43 must be compared by an election board officer with the signature or  
44 a facsimile thereof on the person's original application to register to  
45 vote or one of the forms of identification listed in subsection 2.



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

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

5 (b) A driver's license;

6 (c) An identification card issued by the Department of Motor  
7 Vehicles;

8 (d) A military identification card; or

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

12 ***3. If the election board register contains a photograph next to  
13 the person's name, an election board officer shall compare the  
14 photograph with the appearance of the person. If the election  
15 board officer:***

16 ***(a) Believes that the person in the photograph is the person  
17 applying to vote, the election board officer shall allow the person  
18 to vote.***

19 ***(b) Does not believe that the person in the photograph is the  
20 person applying to vote, the election board officer shall allow the  
21 person to vote if the person provides a written affirmation signed  
22 under penalty of perjury in the form prescribed by the Secretary of  
23 State that he or she is the registered voter who he or she claims to  
24 be.***

25 ***4. If the election board register does not contain a  
26 photograph next to the person's name, an election board officer  
27 shall request that the person authorize the election board officer to  
28 take a photograph of the person or provide to the election board  
29 officer his or her driver's license number or identification card  
30 number, if any. If the person:***

31 ***(a) Provides to the election board officer the person's driver's  
32 license number or identification card number, the election board  
33 officer shall record the number in the election board register and  
34 allow the person to vote.***

35 ***(b) Authorizes the election board officer to take the person's  
36 photograph, the election board officer shall take the photograph  
37 and allow the person to vote.***

38 ***(c) Declines to comply with the election board officer's  
39 request, the election board officer shall allow the person to vote if  
40 the person provides a written affirmation signed under penalty of  
41 perjury in the form prescribed by the Secretary of State that he or  
42 she is the registered voter who he or she claims to be.***

43 **Sec. 16.** NRS 293C.272 is hereby amended to read as follows:

44 293C.272 Any registered voter who is unable to sign his or her  
45 name must be identified by answering questions covering the



1 personal data that is reported on the original application to register  
2 to vote. The officer in charge of the roster shall *mark*, stamp, write ,  
3 ~~or~~ print *or otherwise indicate* “Identified as” *next* to ~~the left of~~  
4 the voter’s name.

5 **Sec. 17.** NRS 293C.292 is hereby amended to read as follows:  
6 293C.292 1. A person applying to vote may be challenged:

7 (a) ~~Orally~~ *Except as otherwise provided in subsection 9,*  
8 *orally* by any registered voter of the precinct or district upon the  
9 ground that he or she is not the person entitled to vote as claimed or  
10 has voted before at the same election; or

11 (b) On any ground set forth in a challenge filed with the county  
12 clerk pursuant to the provisions of NRS 293.547.

13 2. If a person is challenged, an election board officer shall  
14 tender the challenged person the following oath or affirmation:

15 (a) If the challenge is on the ground that the challenged person  
16 does not reside at the residence for which the address is listed in the  
17 election board register, “I swear or affirm under penalty of perjury  
18 that I reside at the residence for which the address is listed in the  
19 election board register”;

20 (b) If the challenge is on the ground that the challenged person  
21 previously voted a ballot for the election, “I swear or affirm under  
22 penalty of perjury that I have not voted for any of the candidates or  
23 questions included on this ballot for this election”; or

24 (c) If the challenge is on the ground that the challenged person is  
25 not the person he or she claims to be, “I swear or affirm under  
26 penalty of perjury that I am the person whose name is in this  
27 election board register.”

28 ➔ The oath or affirmation must be set forth on a form prepared by  
29 the Secretary of State and signed by the challenged person under  
30 penalty of perjury.

31 3. If the challenged person refuses to execute the oath or  
32 affirmation so tendered, he or she must not be issued a ballot, and  
33 the officer in charge of the election board register shall write the  
34 words “Challenged .....” opposite his or her name in the  
35 election board register.

36 4. If the challenged person refuses to execute the oath or  
37 affirmation set forth in paragraph (a) of subsection 2, the election  
38 board officers shall inform the person that he or she is entitled to  
39 vote only in the manner prescribed in NRS 293C.295.

40 5. If the challenged person executes the oath or affirmation and  
41 the challenge is not based on the ground set forth in paragraph (c) of  
42 subsection 2, the election board officers shall issue him or her a  
43 ballot.

44 6. If the challenge is based on the ground set forth in paragraph  
45 (a) of subsection 2, and the challenged person executes the oath or



1 affirmation, the election board shall not issue the person a ballot  
2 until he or she furnishes satisfactory identification that contains  
3 proof of the address at which the person actually resides. For the  
4 purposes of this subsection, a voter registration card issued pursuant  
5 to NRS 293.517 does not provide proof of the address at which a  
6 person resides.

7 7. If the challenge is based on the ground set forth in paragraph  
8 (c) of subsection 2 and the challenged person executes the oath or  
9 affirmation, the election board shall not issue the person a ballot  
10 unless the person:

11 (a) Furnishes official identification which contains a photograph  
12 of the person, such as a driver's license or other official document;  
13 or

14 (b) Brings before the election board officers a person who is at  
15 least 18 years of age who:

16 (1) Furnishes official identification which contains a  
17 photograph of the person, such as a driver's license or other official  
18 document; and

19 (2) Executes an oath or affirmation under penalty of perjury  
20 that the challenged person is who he or she swears to be.

21 8. The election board officers shall:

22 (a) Record on the challenge list:

23 (1) The name of the challenged person;

24 (2) The name of the registered voter who initiated the  
25 challenge; and

26 (3) The result of the challenge; and

27 (b) If possible, orally notify the registered voter who initiated  
28 the challenge of the result of the challenge.

29 **9. No person may be challenged pursuant to paragraph (a) of**  
30 **subsection 1 because:**

31 (a) *The person declines to comply with a request to provide his*  
32 *or her driver's license number or identification card number at the*  
33 *time he or she appears to vote in person pursuant to NRS*  
34 *293C.270 or 293C.3585;*

35 (b) *The person does not have a driver's license or*  
36 *identification card;*

37 (c) *The election board register or roster for early voting does*  
38 *not contain a photograph of the person;*

39 (d) *The person declines to comply with a request that he or she*  
40 *authorize an election board officer or a deputy clerk for early*  
41 *voting to take the person's photograph; or*

42 (e) *An election board officer or a deputy clerk for early voting*  
43 *believes that a person applying to vote is not the same person in*  
44 *the photograph contained in the election board register or roster*  
45 *for early voting.*





1     **Sec. 18.** NRS 293C.3585 is hereby amended to read as  
2 follows:

3     293C.3585 1. Upon the appearance of a person to cast a  
4 ballot for early voting, the deputy clerk for early voting shall:

5       (a) Determine that the person is a registered voter in the county;

6       (b) Instruct the voter to sign the roster for early voting; ~~hand~~

7       (c) Verify the signature of the voter against that contained on the  
8 original application to register to vote or a facsimile thereof, the  
9 card issued to the voter at the time of registration or some other  
10 piece of official identification ~~H~~; and

11       (d) *Comply with the provisions of subsection 2 or 3, as*  
12 *applicable.*

13     2. *If the roster for early voting contains a photograph next to*  
14 *the person's name, a deputy clerk for early voting shall compare*  
15 *the photograph with the appearance of the person. If the deputy*  
16 *clerk for early voting:*

17       (a) *Believes that the person in the photograph is the person*  
18 *applying to vote, the deputy clerk for early voting shall allow the*  
19 *person to vote.*

20       (b) *Does not believe that the person in the photograph is the*  
21 *person applying to vote, the deputy clerk for early voting shall*  
22 *allow the person to vote if the person provides a written*  
23 *affirmation signed under penalty of perjury in the form prescribed*  
24 *by the Secretary of State that he or she is the registered voter who*  
25 *he or she claims to be.*

26     3. *If the roster for early voting does not contain a photograph*  
27 *next to the person's name, the deputy clerk for early voting shall*  
28 *request that the person authorize the deputy clerk for early voting*  
29 *to take a photograph of the person or provide to the deputy clerk*  
30 *for early voting his or her driver's license number or identification*  
31 *card number, if any. If the person:*

32       (a) *Provides to the deputy clerk for early voting the person's*  
33 *driver's license number or identification card number, the deputy*  
34 *clerk for early voting shall record the number in the roster for*  
35 *early voting and allow the person to vote.*

36       (b) *Authorizes the deputy clerk for early voting to take the*  
37 *person's photograph, the deputy clerk for early voting shall take*  
38 *the photograph and allow the person to vote.*

39       (c) *Declines to comply with the deputy clerk for early voting's*  
40 *request, the deputy clerk for early voting shall allow the person to*  
41 *vote if the person provides a written affirmation signed under*  
42 *penalty of perjury in the form prescribed by the Secretary of State*  
43 *that he or she is the registered voter who he or she claims to be.*





1 4. The city clerk shall prescribe a procedure, approved by the  
2 Secretary of State, to determine that the voter has not already voted  
3 pursuant to this section.

4 ~~3-1~~ 5. The roster for early voting must contain:

5 (a) The voter's name, the address where he or she is registered  
6 to vote, his or her voter identification number, ~~and~~ a place for the  
7 voter's signature ~~and the voter's photograph, if a photograph of~~  
8 *the voter has been obtained pursuant to subsection 3, NRS*  
9 *293.277, 293.3585 or 293C.270 or section 4 of this act;*

10 (b) The voter's precinct or voting district number; and

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

12 ~~4-1~~ 6. When a voter is entitled to cast a ballot and has  
13 identified himself or herself to the satisfaction of the deputy clerk  
14 for early voting, the voter is entitled to receive the appropriate ballot  
15 or ballots, but only for his or her own use at the polling place for  
16 early voting.

17 ~~5-1~~ 7. If the ballot is voted on a mechanical recording device  
18 which directly records the votes electronically, the deputy clerk for  
19 early voting shall:

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

21 (b) Ensure that the voter's precinct or voting district and the  
22 form of ballot are indicated on the voting receipt, if the city clerk  
23 uses voting receipts; and

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

25 ~~6-1~~ 8. A voter applying to vote early by personal appearance  
26 may be challenged pursuant to NRS 293C.292.

27 **Sec. 19.** NRS 293C.535 is hereby amended to read as follows:

28 293C.535 1. Except as otherwise provided by special charter,  
29 registration of electors in incorporated cities must be accomplished  
30 in the manner provided in this chapter.

31 2. The county clerk shall use the ~~statewide voter registration~~  
32 ~~list~~ *election board register created by the county clerk pursuant to*  
33 *NRS 293.510* to prepare for the city clerk of each incorporated city  
34 within the county ~~the~~ *an electronic* election board register of all  
35 electors eligible to vote at a regular or special city election. *The*  
36 *entries in the election board register must be arranged*  
37 *alphabetically with the surnames first.*

38 3. The official register must be prepared in suitable books, one  
39 for each ward or other voting district within each incorporated city.  
40 ~~The entries in the election board register must be arranged~~  
41 ~~alphabetically with the surnames first.~~

42 4. The county clerk shall keep duplicate originals or copies of  
43 the applications to register to vote contained in the official register  
44 in the county clerk's office.



1       **Sec. 20.** The provisions of NRS 354.599 do not apply to any  
2 additional expenses of a local government that are related to the  
3 provisions of this act.

4       **Sec. 21.** This act becomes effective:

5       1. Upon passage and approval for the purposes of adopting  
6 regulations and other preparatory administrative tasks that are  
7 necessary to carry out the provisions of this act; and

8       2. On January 1, 2014, for all other purposes.

