

SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION NO. 7—SENATORS SPEARMAN, MANENDO, WOODHOUSE, PARKS, FORD; ATKINSON, DENIS AND KIHUEN

FEBRUARY 12, 2015

Referred to Committee on Legislative Operations and Elections

SUMMARY—Proposes to amend the Nevada Constitution to provide certain rights to voters. (BDR C-403)

FISCAL NOTE: Effect on Local Government: No.
Effect on the State: No.

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

SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION—Proposing to amend the Nevada Constitution to provide certain rights to voters.

Legislative Counsel’s Digest:

1 Existing law provides voters with certain rights. (NRS 293.2546) This
2 resolution proposes to amend the Nevada Constitution by adding a new section to
3 Article 2 to provide those rights in the Nevada Constitution.

1 RESOLVED BY THE SENATE AND ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF
2 NEVADA, JOINTLY, That a new section, designated Section 1A, be
3 added to Article 2 of the Nevada Constitution to read as follows:

4 ***Sec. 1A. Each voter has the right:***

5 ***1. To receive and cast a ballot that:***

6 ***(a) Is written in a format that allows the clear***
7 ***identification of candidates; and***

8 ***(b) Accurately records the voter’s preference in the***
9 ***selection of candidates.***

10 ***2. To have questions concerning voting procedures***
11 ***answered and to have an explanation of the procedures for***
12 ***voting posted in a conspicuous place at the polling place.***

13 ***3. To vote without being intimidated, threatened or***
14 ***coerced.***

15 ***4. To vote on election day if the voter is waiting in line***
16 ***at his or her polling place to vote at the time that the polls***



1 *close and the voter has not already cast a vote in that*
2 *election.*

3 *5. To return a spoiled ballot and receive another ballot*
4 *in its place.*

5 *6. To request assistance in voting, if necessary.*

6 *7. To a sample ballot which is accurate, informative*
7 *and delivered in a timely manner.*

8 *8. To receive instruction in the use of the equipment*
9 *for voting during any period for early voting or on election*
10 *day.*

11 *9. To equal access to the elections system without*
12 *discrimination, including, without limitation, discrimination*
13 *on the basis of race, age, disability, employment or overseas*
14 *residence.*

15 *10. To a uniform, statewide standard for counting and*
16 *recounting all votes accurately.*

17 *11. To have complaints about elections and election*
18 *contests resolved fairly, accurately and efficiently.*

