

ASSEMBLY BILL NO. 272—ASSEMBLYMEN FRIERSON, BENITEZ-THOMPSON, DIAZ, CARLTON, FLORES; ARAUJO, BILBRAY-AXELROD, BROOKS, BUSTAMANTE ADAMS, CARRILLO, COHEN, DALY, FUMO, JOINER, MCCURDY II, MILLER, MONROE-MORENO, NEAL, OHRENSCHALL, SPIEGEL, SPRINKLE, SWANK, THOMPSON, WATKINS AND YEAGER

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Referred to Committee on Legislative Operations and Elections

SUMMARY—Revises provisions relating to elections. (BDR 24-851)

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

CONTAINS UNFUNDED MANDATE (§§ 6, 15, 17, 31, 37, 39) (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; authorizing each county and city clerk to establish polling places where any registered voter of the county or city, respectively, may vote in person on the day of certain elections; requiring, under certain circumstances, county and city clerks to establish polling places within the boundaries of Indian reservations and colonies; authorizing voting materials to be provided in certain languages; authorizing county and city clerks to extend the period for early voting; and providing other matters properly relating thereto.

**Legislative Counsel’s Digest:**

1 Existing law requires a county clerk to establish the boundaries of election  
2 precincts and authorizes election precincts to be combined into election districts.  
3 (NRS 293.205-293.209) Existing law prohibits a person from applying for or  
4 receiving a ballot at any election precinct or district other than the one at which the  
5 person is entitled to vote. (NRS 293.730) **Section 2** of this bill authorizes a county  
6 clerk to establish one or more polling places in the county where any person  
7 entitled to vote in the county by personal appearance may do so on the day of a  
8 primary or general election. If any such polling place is established: (1) **section 3** of  
9 this bill requires, with limited exception, the county clerk to publicize the location



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10 of such polling places; and (2) **section 4** of this bill requires the county clerk to  
11 prepare a roster of eligible voters in the county for any such polling place. **Section**  
12 **5** of this bill sets forth the procedure for a person to vote in person at any such  
13 polling place. **Sections 27-30** of this bill set forth corresponding provisions  
14 authorizing city clerks to establish polling places where any person who is entitled  
15 to vote in the city by personal appearance may do so on the day of the primary city  
16 or general city election. **Sections 8, 10-15, 18, 22-25, 33-37 and 40-42** of this bill  
17 make conforming changes.

18 **Sections 6 and 31** of this bill require, under certain circumstances, county and  
19 city clerks, respectively, to establish at least one polling place for the day of a  
20 primary election, general election, primary city election or general city election, as  
21 applicable, within the boundaries of an Indian reservation or Indian colony at a  
22 location or locations approved by the Indian tribe.

23 Existing law generally requires a voter to sign his or her name in a roster when  
24 the voter applies to vote in person. (NRS 293.277, 293.285, 293C.270, 293C.275)  
25 **Sections 5, 12, 12.5, 13, 17.5, 17.7, 30, 34, 34.5 and 35** of this bill allow a person  
26 to sign a signature card rather than the roster.

27 Existing law requires voting materials to be provided in English and any other  
28 languages necessary to be in compliance with federal law. (NRS 293.2699) **Section**  
29 **9** of this bill authorizes a county or city clerk to provide voting materials in  
30 additional languages if the clerk determines that there is a significant and  
31 substantial need for such.

32 Existing law authorizes a county or city clerk to establish permanent polling  
33 places for early voting by personal appearance and provides that the period for  
34 early voting begins the third Saturday preceding an election and extends through  
35 the Friday before election day, Sundays and federal holidays excepted. (NRS  
36 293.3564, 293.3568, 293C.3564, 293C.3568) **Sections 15 and 37** of this bill  
37 require a county or city clerk to establish at least one permanent polling place for  
38 early voting. **Sections 16 and 38** of this bill authorize a county or city clerk to  
39 extend the period for early voting through the Sunday before election day. **Sections**  
40 **17 and 39** of this bill require, under certain circumstances, a county or city clerk to  
41 establish at least one temporary place for early voting within the boundaries of an  
42 Indian reservation or Indian colony.

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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 to 6, inclusive, of this  
3 act.

4 **Sec. 2. 1.** *A county clerk may establish one or more polling  
5 places in the county where any person entitled to vote in the  
6 county by personal appearance may do so on the day of the  
7 primary election or general election.*

8 *2. Any person entitled to vote in the county by personal  
9 appearance may do so at any polling place established pursuant to  
10 subsection 1.*

11 **Sec. 3. 1.** *Except as otherwise provided in subsection 2, if a  
12 county clerk establishes one or more polling places pursuant to  
13 section 2 of this act, the county clerk must:*



1 (a) Publish during the week before the election in a newspaper  
2 of general circulation a notice of the location of each such polling  
3 place.

4 (b) Post a list of the location of each such polling place on any  
5 bulletin board used for posting notice of meetings of the board of  
6 county commissioners. The list must be posted continuously for a  
7 period beginning not later than the fifth business day before the  
8 election and ending at 7 p.m. on the day of the election. The  
9 county clerk shall make copies of the list available to the public  
10 during the period of posting in reasonable quantities without  
11 charge.

12 2. The provisions of subsection 1 do not apply if every polling  
13 place in the county is a polling place where any person entitled to  
14 vote in the county by personal appearance may do so on the day of  
15 the primary election or general election.

16 3. No additional polling place may be established pursuant to  
17 section 2 of this act after the publication pursuant to this section,  
18 except in the case of an emergency and if approved by the  
19 Secretary of State.

20 **Sec. 4.** 1. For each polling place established pursuant to  
21 section 2 of this act, if any, the county clerk shall prepare a roster  
22 that contains, for every registered voter in the county, the voter's  
23 name, the address where he or she is registered to vote, his or her  
24 voter identification number, the voter's precinct or district number  
25 and the voter's signature.

26 2. The roster must be delivered or caused to be delivered by  
27 the county clerk to an election board officer of the proper polling  
28 place before the opening of the polls.

29 **Sec. 5.** 1. Except as otherwise provided in NRS 293.283,  
30 upon the appearance of a person to cast a ballot at a polling place  
31 established pursuant to section 2 of this act, the election board  
32 officer shall:

33 (a) Determine that the person is a registered voter in the  
34 county and has not already voted in that county in the election;

35 (b) Instruct the voter to sign the roster or a signature card; and

36 (c) Verify the signature of the voter in the manner set forth in  
37 NRS 293.277.

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

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

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



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

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

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

11 5. When a voter is entitled to cast a ballot and has identified  
12 himself or herself to the satisfaction of the election board officer,  
13 the voter is entitled to receive the appropriate ballot or ballots, but  
14 only for his or her own use at the polling place where he or she  
15 applies to vote.

16 6. If the ballot is voted on a mechanical recording device  
17 which directly records the votes electronically, the election board  
18 officer shall:

19 (a) Prepare the mechanical voting device for the voter;

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

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

24 7. A voter applying to vote at a polling place established  
25 pursuant to section 2 of this act may be challenged pursuant to  
26 NRS 293.303.

27 **Sec. 6. 1.** If an Indian reservation or Indian colony is  
28 located in whole or in part within a county, the Indian tribe may  
29 submit a request to the county clerk for the establishment of a  
30 polling place within the boundaries of the Indian reservation or  
31 Indian colony for the day of a primary election or general election.

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

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

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

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

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



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

13       **Sec. 7.** (Deleted by amendment.)

14       **Sec. 8.** NRS 293.2546 is hereby amended to read as follows:

15       293.2546 The Legislature hereby declares that each voter has  
16 the right:

17       1. To receive and cast a ballot that:

18       (a) Is written in a format that allows the clear identification of  
19 candidates; and

20       (b) Accurately records the voter's preference in the selection of  
21 candidates.

22       2. To have questions concerning voting procedures answered  
23 and to have an explanation of the procedures for voting posted in a  
24 conspicuous place at the polling place.

25       3. To vote without being intimidated, threatened or coerced.

26       4. To vote on election day if the voter is waiting in line at ~~His~~  
27 ~~or her~~ a polling place *at which he or she is entitled* to vote before  
28 7 p.m. and the voter has not already cast a vote in that election.

29       5. To return a spoiled ballot and is entitled to receive another  
30 ballot in its place.

31       6. To request assistance in voting, if necessary.

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

34       8. To receive instruction in the use of the equipment for voting  
35 during early voting or on election day.

36       9. To have nondiscriminatory equal access to the elections  
37 system, including, without limitation, a voter who is elderly,  
38 disabled, a member of a minority group, employed by the military or  
39 a citizen who is overseas.

40       10. To have a uniform, statewide standard for counting and  
41 recounting all votes accurately.

42       11. To have complaints about elections and election contests  
43 resolved fairly, accurately and efficiently.



1       **Sec. 9.** NRS 293.2699 is hereby amended to read as follows:

2       293.2699 1. Each voting system used by a county or city  
3 shall provide voting materials in :

4       (a) English ~~and other languages~~; and

5       (b) *Every language in which voting materials are required to*  
6 *be prepared in ~~compliance with the provisions of 42 U.S.C. §~~*  
7 *~~1973aa-1a.~~ the county or city pursuant to 52 U.S.C. § 10503.*

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

20       3. As used in this section ~~the term "voting"~~ :

21       (a) *"Limited-English proficiency" means being unable to*  
22 *speak or understand English adequately to participate in the*  
23 *electoral process.*

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

26       (c) *"Voting materials" has the meaning ascribed to it in ~~42~~ 52*  
27 *U.S.C. § ~~1973aa-1a.~~ 10503.*

28       **Sec. 10.** NRS 293.273 is hereby amended to read as follows:

29       293.273 1. Except as otherwise provided in subsection 2 and  
30 NRS 293.305, at all elections held under the provisions of this title,  
31 the polls must open at 7 a.m. and close at 7 p.m.

32       2. ~~Whenever~~ *Except as otherwise provided in this*  
33 *subsection, whenever* at any election all the votes of the polling  
34 place, as shown on the roster, have been cast, the election board  
35 officers shall close the polls, and the counting of votes must begin  
36 and continue without unnecessary delay until the count is  
37 completed. *This subsection does not apply to a polling place*  
38 *established pursuant to section 2 of this act.*

39       3. Upon opening the polls, one of the election board officers  
40 shall cause a proclamation to be made that all present may be aware  
41 of the fact that applications of registered voters to vote will be  
42 received.

43       4. No person other than election board officers engaged in  
44 receiving, preparing or depositing ballots may be permitted inside  
45 the guardrail during the time the polls are open, except by authority



1 of the election board as necessary to keep order and carry out the  
2 provisions of this title.

3 **Sec. 11.** NRS 293.275 is hereby amended to read as follows:  
4 293.275 ~~Not~~

5 *1. Except as otherwise provided in subsection 2, an* election  
6 board may *not* perform its duty in serving registered voters at any  
7 polling place in any election provided for in this title, unless it has  
8 before it the roster for the polling place.

9 *2. For a polling place established pursuant to section 2 or 27*  
10 *of this act, an election board may perform its duty in serving*  
11 *registered voters at the polling place in an election if the election*  
12 *board has before it the roster for the county or city, as applicable.*

13 **Sec. 12.** NRS 293.277 is hereby amended to read as follows:

14 293.277 1. Except as otherwise provided in NRS 293.283  
15 and 293.541, if a person's name appears in the roster or if the person  
16 provides an affirmation pursuant to NRS 293.525, the person is  
17 entitled to vote and must sign his or her name in the roster *or on a*  
18 *signature card* when he or she applies to vote. The signature must  
19 be compared by an election board officer with the signature or a  
20 facsimile thereof on the person's application to register to vote or  
21 one of the forms of identification listed in subsection 2.

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

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

27 (b) A driver's license;

28 (c) An identification card issued by the Department of Motor  
29 Vehicles;

30 (d) A military identification card; or

31 (e) Any other form of identification issued by a governmental  
32 agency which contains the voter's signature and physical description  
33 or picture.

34 *3. The county clerk shall prescribe a procedure, approved by*  
35 *the Secretary of State, to determine that the voter has not already*  
36 *voted in that county in the election.*

37 **Sec. 12.5.** NRS 293.283 is hereby amended to read as follows:

38 293.283 1. If, because of physical limitations, a registered  
39 voter is unable to sign his or her name in the roster *or on a*  
40 *signature card* as required by NRS 293.277, the voter must be  
41 identified by:

42 (a) Answering questions from the election board officer  
43 covering the personal data which is reported on the application to  
44 register to vote;





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

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

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

8 **Sec. 13.** NRS 293.285 is hereby amended to read as follows:

9 293.285 1. Except as otherwise provided in NRS 293.283, a  
10 registered voter applying to vote shall state his or her name to the  
11 election board officer in charge of the roster, and the officer shall  
12 immediately announce the name, instruct the voter to sign the roster  
13 ~~and~~ *or signature card*, verify the signature of the voter in the  
14 manner set forth in NRS 293.277 ~~H~~ *and verify that the registered*  
15 *voter has not already voted in that county in the current election.*

16 2. If the signature does not match, the voter must be identified  
17 by:

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

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

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

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

30 **Sec. 14.** NRS 293.296 is hereby amended to read as follows:

31 293.296 1. Any registered voter who by reason of a physical  
32 disability or an inability to read or write English is unable to mark a  
33 ballot or use any voting device without assistance is entitled to  
34 assistance from a consenting person of his or her own choice,  
35 except:

36 (a) The voter's employer or an agent of the voter's employer; or

37 (b) An officer or agent of the voter's labor organization.

38 2. A person providing assistance pursuant to this section to a  
39 voter in casting a vote shall not disclose any information with  
40 respect to the casting of that ballot.

41 3. The right to assistance in casting a ballot may not be denied  
42 or impaired when the need for assistance is apparent or is known to  
43 the election board or any member thereof or when the registered  
44 voter requests such assistance in any manner.





1 4. In addition to complying with the requirements of this  
2 section, the county clerk and election board officer shall, upon the  
3 request of a registered voter with a physical disability, make  
4 reasonable accommodations to allow the voter to vote at ~~his or her~~  
5 a polling place **at which he or she is entitled to vote.**

6 **Sec. 15.** NRS 293.3564 is hereby amended to read as follows:

7 293.3564 1. ~~The~~ **Each** county clerk ~~may~~ **shall** establish **at**  
8 **least one** permanent polling ~~places~~ **place** for early voting by  
9 personal appearance in the county . ~~at the locations selected~~  
10 ~~pursuant to NRS 293.3561.~~

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

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

14 ~~3. If it is impractical for the county clerk to provide at each~~  
15 ~~polling place for early voting a ballot in every form required in the~~  
16 ~~county, the county clerk may:~~

17 ~~(a) Provide appropriate forms of ballots for all offices within a~~  
18 ~~township, city, town or county commissioner election district, as~~  
19 ~~determined by the county clerk; and~~

20 ~~(b) Limit voting at that polling place to registered voters in that~~  
21 ~~township, city, town or county commissioner election district.~~

22 **Sec. 16.** NRS 293.3568 is hereby amended to read as follows:

23 293.3568 1. The period for early voting by personal  
24 appearance begins the third Saturday preceding a primary or general  
25 election and , **except as otherwise provided in this subsection,**  
26 extends through the Friday before election day, Sundays and federal  
27 holidays excepted. **A county clerk may extend the period for early**  
28 **voting by personal appearance through the Sunday before election**  
29 **day.**

30 2. The county clerk may:

31 (a) ~~Include~~ **Except as otherwise provided in subsection 3,**  
32 **include** any Sunday or federal holiday that falls within the period  
33 for early voting by personal appearance.

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

37 3. A permanent polling place for early voting must remain  
38 open:

39 (a) On Monday through Friday:

40 (1) During the first week of early voting, from 8 a.m. until  
41 6 p.m.

42 (2) During the second week of early voting, from 8 a.m. until  
43 6 p.m., or until 8 p.m. if the county clerk so requires.

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



1 (c) *If a county clerk extends the period for early voting by*  
2 *personal appearance through the Sunday before election day*  
3 *pursuant to subsection 1, on the Sunday before election day*  
4 *during such hours as the clerk may establish.*

5 (d) If the county clerk includes a Sunday that falls within the  
6 period for early voting pursuant to subsection 2, during such hours  
7 as the county clerk may establish.

8 **Sec. 17.** NRS 293.3572 is hereby amended to read as follows:

9 293.3572 1. In addition to permanent polling places for early  
10 voting, *except as otherwise provided in subsection 3*, the county  
11 clerk may establish temporary branch polling places for early voting  
12 which may include, without limitation, the clerk's office pursuant to  
13 NRS 293.3561.

14 2. *If an Indian reservation or Indian colony is located in*  
15 *whole or in part within a county, the Indian tribe may submit a*  
16 *request to the county clerk for the establishment of a temporary*  
17 *branch polling place for early voting within the boundaries of the*  
18 *Indian reservation or Indian colony.*

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

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

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

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

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

34 4. *Except as otherwise provided in this subsection, if the*  
35 *county clerk receives a request that satisfies the requirements set*  
36 *forth in subsection 3, the county clerk must establish at least one*  
37 *temporary branch polling place for early voting within the*  
38 *boundaries of the Indian reservation or Indian colony. The*  
39 *location and hours of operation of such a temporary branch*  
40 *polling place for early voting must be approved by the Indian tribe.*  
41 *The county clerk is not required to establish a temporary branch*  
42 *polling place within the boundaries of the Indian reservation or*  
43 *Indian colony if the county clerk determines that it is not*  
44 *logistically feasible to establish a temporary branch polling place*  
45 *within the boundaries of the Indian Reservation or colony.*



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

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

8       ~~7.~~ 7. The legal rights and remedies which inure to the owner  
9 or lessor of private property are not impaired or otherwise affected  
10 by the leasing of the property for use as a temporary branch polling  
11 place for early voting, except to the extent necessary to conduct  
12 early voting at that location.

13       **Sec. 17.5.** NRS 293.3585 is hereby amended to read as  
14 follows:

15       293.3585 1. Except as otherwise provided in NRS 293.283,  
16 upon the appearance of a person to cast a ballot for early voting, an  
17 election board officer shall:

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

19       (b) Instruct the voter to sign the roster for early voting ~~+~~ *or a*  
20 *signature card.*

21       (c) Verify the signature of the voter in the manner set forth in  
22 NRS 293.277.

23       (d) Verify that the voter has not already voted *in that county* in  
24 the current election pursuant to this section.

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

27       (a) Answering questions from the election board officer  
28 covering the personal data which is reported on the application to  
29 register to vote;

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

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

35       3. If the signature of the voter has changed in comparison to  
36 the signature on the application to register to vote, the voter must  
37 update his or her signature on a form prescribed by the Secretary of  
38 State.

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

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



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

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

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

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

11 7. If the ballot is voted on a mechanical recording device which  
12 directly records the votes electronically, the election board officer  
13 shall:

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

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

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

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

21 **Sec. 17.7.** NRS 293.3604 is hereby amended to read as  
22 follows:

23 293.3604 If ballots which are voted on a mechanical recording  
24 device which directly records the votes electronically are used  
25 during the period for early voting by personal appearance in an  
26 election other than a presidential preference primary election:

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

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

30 (1) The title of the election;

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

33 (3) The number of ballots voted on the mechanical recording  
34 device for that day; ~~and~~

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

37 (5) *The number of signatures on signature cards for that*  
38 *day.*

39 (b) Secure:

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

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

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



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- 1 (a) The statements for all polling places for early voting;
- 2 (b) The voting rosters used for early voting;
- 3 (c) *The signature cards used for early voting;*
- 4 (d) The storage device required pursuant to NRS 293B.084 from
- 5 each mechanical recording device used during the period for early
- 6 voting; and

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

8 3. Upon receipt of the items set forth in subsection 2 at the

9 close of the last voting day, the ballot board for early voting shall:

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

11 ballots; and

12 (b) Place the storage devices in the container provided to

13 transport those items to the central counting place and seal the

14 container with a numbered seal. The official statement of ballots

15 must accompany the storage devices to the central counting place.

16 **Sec. 18.** NRS 293.4689 is hereby amended to read as follows:

17 293.4689 1. If a county clerk maintains a website on the

18 Internet for information related to elections, the website must

19 contain public information maintained, collected or compiled by the

20 county clerk that relates to elections, which must include, without

21 limitation:

22 (a) The locations of polling places for casting a ballot on

23 election day in such a format that a registered voter may search the

24 list to determine the location of the polling place *or places* at which

25 the registered voter is ~~required~~ *entitled* to cast a ballot; and

26 (b) The abstract of votes required pursuant to the provisions of

27 NRS 293.388.

28 2. The abstract of votes required to be maintained on the

29 website pursuant to paragraph (b) of subsection 1 must be

30 maintained in such a format as to permit the searching of the

31 abstract of votes for specific information.

32 3. If the information required to be maintained by a county

33 clerk pursuant to subsection 1 may be obtained by the public from a

34 website on the Internet maintained by the Secretary of State, another

35 county clerk or a city clerk, the county clerk may provide a

36 hyperlink to that website to comply with the provisions of

37 subsection 1 with regard to that information.

38 **Sec. 19.** (Deleted by amendment.)

39 **Sec. 20.** (Deleted by amendment.)

40 **Sec. 21.** (Deleted by amendment.)

41 **Sec. 22.** NRS 293.563 is hereby amended to read as follows:

42 293.563 1. During the interval between the closing of

43 registration and the election, the county clerk shall prepare for

44 ~~each~~ :



1 (a) *Each* polling place a roster containing the registered voters  
2 eligible to vote at the polling place.

3 (b) *Each polling place established pursuant to section 2 or 27*  
4 *of this act, if any, a roster containing the registered voters eligible*  
5 *to vote in the county or city, respectively.*

6 2. The ~~roster~~ *rosters* must be delivered or caused to be  
7 delivered by the county or city clerk to an election board officer of  
8 the proper polling place before the opening of the polls.

9 **Sec. 23.** NRS 293.565 is hereby amended to read as follows:

10 293.565 1. Except as otherwise provided in subsection 3,  
11 sample ballots must include:

12 (a) If applicable, the statement required by NRS 293.267;

13 (b) The fiscal note or description of anticipated financial effect,  
14 as provided pursuant to NRS 218D.810, 293.250, 293.481, 295.015,  
15 295.095 or 295.230 for each proposed constitutional amendment,  
16 statewide measure, measure to be voted upon only by a special  
17 district or political subdivision and advisory question;

18 (c) An explanation, as provided pursuant to NRS 218D.810,  
19 293.250, 293.481, 295.121 or 295.230, of each proposed  
20 constitutional amendment, statewide measure, measure to be voted  
21 upon only by a special district or political subdivision and advisory  
22 question;

23 (d) Arguments for and against each proposed constitutional  
24 amendment, statewide measure, measure to be voted upon only by a  
25 special district or political subdivision and advisory question, and  
26 rebuttals to each argument, as provided pursuant to NRS 218D.810,  
27 293.250, 293.252 or 295.121; and

28 (e) The full text of each proposed constitutional amendment.

29 2. If, pursuant to the provisions of NRS 293.2565, the word  
30 "Incumbent" must appear on the ballot next to the name of the  
31 candidate who is the incumbent, the word "Incumbent" must appear  
32 on the sample ballot next to the name of the candidate who is the  
33 incumbent.

34 3. Sample ballots that are mailed to registered voters may be  
35 printed without the full text of each proposed constitutional  
36 amendment if:

37 (a) The cost of printing the sample ballots would be significantly  
38 reduced if the full text of each proposed constitutional amendment  
39 were not included;

40 (b) The county clerk ensures that a sample ballot that includes  
41 the full text of each proposed constitutional amendment is provided  
42 at no charge to each registered voter who requests such a sample  
43 ballot; and

44 (c) The sample ballots provided to each polling place include the  
45 full text of each proposed constitutional amendment.



1 4. A county clerk may establish a system for distributing  
2 sample ballots by electronic means to each registered voter who  
3 elects to receive a sample ballot by electronic means. Such a system  
4 may include, without limitation, electronic mail or electronic access  
5 through an Internet website. If a county clerk establishes such a  
6 system and a registered voter elects to receive a sample ballot by  
7 electronic means, the county clerk shall distribute the sample ballot  
8 to the registered voter by electronic means pursuant to the  
9 procedures and requirements set forth by regulations adopted by the  
10 Secretary of State.

11 5. If a registered voter does not elect to receive a sample ballot  
12 by electronic means pursuant to subsection 4, the county clerk shall  
13 distribute the sample ballot to the registered voter by mail.

14 6. Before the period for early voting for any election begins,  
15 the county clerk shall distribute to each registered voter in the  
16 county by mail or electronic means, as applicable, the sample ballot  
17 for his or her precinct, with a notice informing the voter of the  
18 location of his or her polling place **+** *or places*. If the location of  
19 the polling place *or places* has changed since the last election:

20 (a) The county clerk shall mail a notice of the change to each  
21 registered voter in the county not sooner than 10 days before  
22 distributing the sample ballots; or

23 (b) The sample ballot must also include a notice in bold type  
24 immediately above the location which states:

25

26 NOTICE: THE LOCATION OF YOUR POLLING PLACE **OR**  
27 **PLACES** HAS CHANGED SINCE THE LAST ELECTION  
28

29 7. Except as otherwise provided in subsection 8, a sample  
30 ballot required to be distributed pursuant to this section must:

31 (a) Be prepared in at least 12-point type; and

32 (b) Include on the front page, in a separate box created by bold  
33 lines, a notice prepared in at least 20-point bold type that states:

34

35 NOTICE: TO RECEIVE A SAMPLE BALLOT IN  
36 LARGE TYPE, CALL (Insert appropriate telephone number)  
37

38 8. A portion of a sample ballot that contains a facsimile of the  
39 display area of a voting device may include material in less than  
40 12-point type to the extent necessary to make the facsimile fit on the  
41 pages of the sample ballot.

42 9. The sample ballot distributed to a person who requests a  
43 sample ballot in large type by exercising the option provided  
44 pursuant to NRS 293.508, or in any other manner, must be prepared  
45 in at least 14-point type, or larger when practicable.





1 10. If a person requests a sample ballot in large type, the  
2 county clerk shall ensure that all future sample ballots distributed to  
3 that person from the county are in large type.

4 11. The county clerk shall include in each sample ballot a  
5 statement indicating that the county clerk will, upon request of a  
6 voter who is elderly or disabled, make reasonable accommodations  
7 to allow the voter to vote at his or her polling place *or places* and  
8 provide reasonable assistance to the voter in casting his or her vote,  
9 including, without limitation, providing appropriate materials to  
10 assist the voter. In addition, if the county clerk has provided  
11 pursuant to subsection 4 of NRS 293.2955 for the placement at  
12 centralized voting locations of specially equipped voting devices for  
13 use by voters who are elderly or disabled, the county clerk shall  
14 include in the sample ballot a statement indicating:

15 (a) The addresses of such centralized voting locations;

16 (b) The types of specially equipped voting devices available at  
17 such centralized voting locations; and

18 (c) That a voter who is elderly or disabled may cast his or her  
19 ballot at such a centralized voting location rather than at his or her  
20 regularly designated polling place ~~H~~ *or places*.

21 12. The cost of distributing sample ballots for any election  
22 other than a primary or general election must be borne by the  
23 political subdivision holding the election.

24 **Sec. 24.** NRS 293.730 is hereby amended to read as follows:

25 293.730 1. A person shall not:

26 (a) Remain in or outside of any polling place so as to interfere  
27 with the conduct of the election.

28 (b) Except an election board officer, receive from any voter a  
29 ballot prepared by the voter.

30 (c) Remove a ballot from any polling place before the closing of  
31 the polls.

32 (d) Apply for or receive a ballot at any election precinct or  
33 district other than ~~the~~ one at which the person is entitled to vote.

34 (e) Show his or her ballot to any person, after voting, so as to  
35 reveal any of the names voted for.

36 (f) Inside a polling place, ask another person for whom he or she  
37 intends to vote.

38 (g) Except an election board officer, deliver a ballot to a voter.

39 (h) Except an election board officer in the course of the election  
40 board officer's official duties, inside a polling place, ask another  
41 person his or her name, address or political affiliation.

42 2. A voter shall not:

43 (a) Receive a ballot from any person other than an election  
44 board officer.



1 (b) Deliver to an election board or to any member thereof any  
2 ballot other than the one received.

3 (c) Place any mark upon his or her ballot by which it may  
4 afterward be identified as the one voted by the person.

5 3. Any person who violates any provision of this section is  
6 guilty of a category E felony and shall be punished as provided in  
7 NRS 193.130.

8 **Sec. 25.** NRS 293.790 is hereby amended to read as follows:

9 293.790 If any person whose vote has been rejected offers to  
10 vote at the same election, at any polling place other than ~~the~~ one in  
11 which the person is ~~registered~~ *entitled* to vote, such person is  
12 guilty of a gross misdemeanor.

13 **Sec. 26.** Chapter 293C of NRS is hereby amended by adding  
14 thereto the provisions set forth as sections 27 to 31, inclusive, of this  
15 act.

16 **Sec. 27. 1.** *A city clerk may establish one or more polling  
17 places in the city where any person entitled to vote in the city by  
18 personal appearance may do so on the day of the primary city  
19 election or general city election.*

20 *2. Any person entitled to vote in the city by personal  
21 appearance may do so at any polling place established pursuant to  
22 subsection 1.*

23 **Sec. 28. 1.** *Except as otherwise provided in subsection 2, if  
24 a city clerk establishes one or more polling places pursuant to  
25 section 27 of this act, the city clerk must:*

26 *(a) Publish during the week before the election in a newspaper  
27 of general circulation a notice of the location of each such polling  
28 place.*

29 *(b) Post a list of the location of each such polling place on any  
30 bulletin board used for posting notice of meetings of the governing  
31 body of the city. The list must be posted continuously for a period  
32 beginning not later than the fifth business day before the election  
33 and ending at 7 p.m. on the day of the election. The city clerk shall  
34 make copies of the list available to the public during the period of  
35 posting in reasonable quantities without charge.*

36 *2. The provisions of subsection 1 do not apply if every polling  
37 place in the city is designated as a polling place where any person  
38 entitled to vote in the city by personal appearance may do so on  
39 the day of the primary city election or general city election.*

40 *3. No additional polling place may be established pursuant to  
41 section 27 of this act after the publication pursuant to this section,  
42 except in the case of an emergency and if approved by the  
43 Secretary of State.*

44 **Sec. 29. 1.** *For each polling place established pursuant to  
45 section 27 of this act, if any, the city clerk shall prepare a roster*



1 *that contains, for every registered voter in the city, the voter's*  
2 *name, the address where he or she is registered to vote, his or her*  
3 *voter identification number, the voter's precinct or district number*  
4 *and the voter's signature.*

5 *2. The roster must be delivered or caused to be delivered by*  
6 *the city clerk to an election board officer of the proper polling*  
7 *place before the opening of the polls.*

8 **Sec. 30.** *1. Except as otherwise provided in NRS 293C.272,*  
9 *upon the appearance of a person to cast a ballot at a polling place*  
10 *established pursuant to section 27 of this act, if any, the election*  
11 *board officer shall:*

12 *(a) Determine that the person is a registered voter in the city*  
13 *and has not already voted in that city in the election;*

14 *(b) Instruct the voter to sign the roster or a signature card; and*

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

34 *5. When a voter is entitled to cast a ballot and has identified*  
35 *himself or herself to the satisfaction of the election board officer,*  
36 *the voter is entitled to receive the appropriate ballot or ballots, but*  
37 *only for his or her own use at the polling place where he or she*  
38 *applies to vote.*

39 *6. If the ballot is voted on a mechanical recording device*  
40 *which directly records the votes electronically, the election board*  
41 *officer shall:*

42 *(a) Prepare the mechanical voting device for the voter;*

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



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

2 7. A voter applying to vote at a polling place established  
3 pursuant to section 27 of this act, if any, may be challenged  
4 pursuant to NRS 293C.292.

5 **Sec. 31. 1.** If an Indian reservation or Indian colony is  
6 located in whole or in part within a city, the Indian tribe may  
7 request to the city clerk for the establishment of a polling place  
8 within the boundaries of the Indian reservation or Indian colony  
9 for the day of a primary city election or general city election.

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

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

15 (1) If the request is for a primary city election that is held:

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

20 (II) On the dates set forth for primary city elections  
21 pursuant to the provisions of this chapter, the first Friday in  
22 December of the year immediately preceding the year in which the  
23 primary city election is to be held.

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

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

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

31 (b) May include one or more proposed locations within the  
32 boundaries of the Indian reservation or Indian colony for the  
33 polling place. Any proposed location for a polling place must  
34 satisfy the criteria the city clerk uses for the establishment of any  
35 other polling place.

36 3. Except as otherwise provided in this subsection, if the city  
37 clerk receives a request that satisfies the requirements set forth in  
38 subsection 2, the city clerk must establish at least one polling place  
39 within the boundaries of the Indian reservation or Indian colony  
40 at a location or locations, as applicable, approved by the Indian  
41 tribe for the day of a primary city election or general city election.  
42 The city clerk is not required to establish a polling place within the  
43 boundaries of the Indian reservation or Indian colony for the day  
44 of a primary city election or general city election if the city clerk  
45 established a temporary branch polling place for early voting



1 *pursuant to NRS 293C.3572 within the boundaries of the Indian*  
2 *reservation or Indian colony for the same election.*

3 **Sec. 32.** NRS 293C.112 is hereby amended to read as follows:

4 293C.112 1. The governing body of a city may conduct a city  
5 election in which all ballots must be cast by mail if:

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

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

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

11 (2) One office or ballot question.

12 2. The provisions of NRS 293C.265 to 293C.302, inclusive,  
13 *and section 31 of this act*, 293C.305 to 293C.340, inclusive, and  
14 293C.355 to 293C.361, inclusive, do not apply to an election  
15 conducted pursuant to this section.

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

19 **Sec. 33.** NRS 293C.267 is hereby amended to read as follows:

20 293C.267 1. Except as otherwise provided in subsection 2  
21 and NRS 293C.297, at all elections held pursuant to the provisions  
22 of this chapter, the polls must open at 7 a.m. and close at 7 p.m.

23 2. Whenever at any election all the votes of the polling place,  
24 as shown on the roster, have been cast, the election board officers  
25 shall close the polls and the counting of votes must begin and  
26 continue without unnecessary delay until the count is completed.

27 *The provisions of this subsection do not apply to any polling place*  
28 *established pursuant to section 27 of this act where any person*  
29 *entitled to vote in the city by personal appearance on the day of the*  
30 *election may do so.*

31 3. Upon opening the polls, one of the election board officers  
32 shall cause a proclamation to be made so that all present may be  
33 aware of the fact that applications of registered voters to vote will be  
34 received.

35 4. No person other than election board officers engaged in  
36 receiving, preparing or depositing ballots may be permitted inside  
37 the guardrail during the time the polls are open, except by authority  
38 of the election board as necessary to keep order and carry out the  
39 provisions of this chapter.

40 **Sec. 34.** NRS 293C.270 is hereby amended to read as follows:

41 293C.270 1. Except as otherwise provided in NRS 293C.272,  
42 if a person's name appears in the roster or if the person provides an  
43 affirmation pursuant to NRS 293C.525, the person is entitled to vote  
44 and must sign his or her name in the roster *or on a signature card*  
45 when he or she applies to vote. The signature must be compared by



1 an election board officer with the signature or a facsimile thereof on  
2 the person's application to register to vote or one of the forms of  
3 identification listed in subsection 2.

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

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

8 (b) A driver's license;

9 (c) An identification card issued by the Department of Motor  
10 Vehicles;

11 (d) A military identification card; or

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

15 **3. *The city clerk shall prescribe a procedure, approved by the***  
16 ***Secretary of State, to determine that the voter has not already***  
17 ***voted in that city in the current election.***

18 **Sec. 34.5.** NRS 293C.272 is hereby amended to read as  
19 follows:

20 293C.272 1. If, because of physical limitations, a registered  
21 voter is unable to sign his or her name in the roster ***or on a***  
22 ***signature card*** as required by NRS 293C.270, the voter must be  
23 identified by:

24 (a) Answering questions from the election board officer  
25 covering the personal data which is reported on the application to  
26 register to vote;

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

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

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

34 **Sec. 35.** NRS 293C.275 is hereby amended to read as follows:

35 293C.275 1. Except as otherwise provided in NRS 293C.272,  
36 a registered voter who applies to vote must state his or her name to  
37 the election board officer in charge of the roster, and the officer  
38 shall immediately announce the name, instruct the voter to sign the  
39 roster ~~and~~ ***or signature card***, verify the signature of the voter in  
40 the manner set forth in NRS 293C.270 ~~and~~ ***and verify that the***  
41 ***registered voter has not already voted in that city in the current***  
42 ***election.***

43 2. If the signature does not match, the voter must be identified  
44 by:



1 (a) Answering questions from the election board officer  
2 covering the personal data which is reported on the application to  
3 register to vote;

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

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

9 3. If the signature of the voter has changed in comparison to  
10 the signature on the application to register to vote, the voter must  
11 update his or her signature on a form prescribed by the Secretary of  
12 State.

13 **Sec. 36.** NRS 293C.282 is hereby amended to read as follows:

14 293C.282 1. Any registered voter who, because of a physical  
15 disability or an inability to read or write English, is unable to mark a  
16 ballot or use any voting device without assistance is entitled to  
17 assistance from a consenting person of his or her own choice,  
18 except:

19 (a) The voter's employer or an agent of the voter's employer; or

20 (b) An officer or agent of the voter's labor organization.

21 2. A person providing assistance pursuant to this section to a  
22 voter in casting a vote shall not disclose any information with  
23 respect to the casting of that ballot.

24 3. The right to assistance in casting a ballot may not be denied  
25 or impaired when the need for assistance is apparent or is known to  
26 the election board or any member thereof or when the registered  
27 voter requests such assistance in any manner.

28 4. In addition to complying with the requirements of this  
29 section, the city clerk and election board officer shall, upon the  
30 request of a registered voter with a physical disability, make  
31 reasonable accommodations to allow the voter to vote at ~~his or her~~  
32 *a polling place ~~H~~ at which he or she is entitled to vote.*

33 **Sec. 37.** NRS 293C.3564 is hereby amended to read as  
34 follows:

35 293C.3564 1. The city clerk ~~may~~ *in a city providing for*  
36 *early voting pursuant to subparagraph (1) of paragraph (b) of*  
37 *subsection 2 of NRS 293C.110 shall establish at least one*  
38 permanent polling ~~places~~ *place* for early voting by personal  
39 appearance in the city at the locations selected pursuant to  
40 NRS 293C.3561.

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





1     **Sec. 38.** NRS 293C.3568 is hereby amended to read as  
2 follows:

3     293C.3568 1. The period for early voting by personal  
4 appearance begins the third Saturday preceding a primary city  
5 election or general city election, and *, except as otherwise provided*  
6 *in this subsection*, extends through the Friday before election day,  
7 ~~†Sundays and†~~ federal holidays excepted. *A city clerk may extend*  
8 *the period for early voting by personal appearance through the*  
9 *Sunday before election day.*

10    2. The city clerk may:

11    (a) ~~†include†~~ *Except as otherwise provided in subsection 3,*  
12 *include* any Sunday or federal holiday that falls within the period  
13 for early voting by personal appearance.

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

17    3. A permanent polling place for early voting must remain  
18 open:

19    (a) On Monday through Friday:

20    (1) During the first week of early voting, from 8 a.m. until  
21 6 p.m.

22    (2) During the second week of early voting, from 8 a.m. until  
23 6 p.m., or until 8 p.m. if the city clerk so requires.

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

26    (c) *If a city clerk extends the period for early voting by*  
27 *personal appearance through the Sunday before election day*  
28 *pursuant to subsection 1, on the Sunday before election day*  
29 *during such hours as the clerk may establish.*

30    (d) If the city clerk includes a Sunday that falls within the period  
31 for early voting pursuant to subsection 2, during such hours as the  
32 city clerk may establish.

33     **Sec. 39.** NRS 293C.3572 is hereby amended to read as  
34 follows:

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

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



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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

44       ~~3-~~ 6. The schedules for conducting voting are not required to  
45 be uniform among the temporary branch polling places.



1 ~~14~~ 7. The legal rights and remedies which inure to the owner  
2 or lessor of private property are not impaired or otherwise affected  
3 by the leasing of the property for use as a temporary branch polling  
4 place for early voting, except to the extent necessary to conduct  
5 early voting at that location.

6 **Sec. 39.5.** NRS 293C.3585 is hereby amended to read as  
7 follows:

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

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

12 (b) Instruct the voter to sign the roster for early voting ~~14~~ *or a*  
13 *signature card.*

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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



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

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

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

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

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

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

13 **Sec. 39.7.** NRS 293C.3604 is hereby amended to read as  
14 follows:

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

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

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

22 (1) The title of the election;

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

25 (3) The number of ballots voted on the mechanical recording  
26 device for that day; ~~and~~

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

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

31 (b) Secure:

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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



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

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

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

9 **Sec. 40.** NRS 293C.530 is hereby amended to read as follows:

10 293C.530 1. A city clerk may establish a system for  
11 distributing sample ballots by electronic means to each registered  
12 voter who elects to receive a sample ballot by electronic means.  
13 Such a system may include, without limitation, electronic mail or  
14 electronic access through an Internet website. If a city clerk  
15 establishes such a system and a registered voter elects to receive a  
16 sample ballot by electronic means, the city clerk shall distribute the  
17 sample ballot to the registered voter by electronic means pursuant to  
18 the procedures and requirements set forth by regulations adopted by  
19 the Secretary of State.

20 2. If a registered voter does not elect to receive a sample ballot  
21 by electronic means pursuant to subsection 1, the city clerk shall  
22 distribute the sample ballot to the registered voter by mail.

23 3. Before the period for early voting for any election begins,  
24 the city clerk shall distribute to each registered voter in the city by  
25 mail or electronic means, as applicable, the sample ballot for his or  
26 her precinct, with a notice informing the voter of the location of his  
27 or her polling place **H or places**. If the location of the polling place  
28 **or places** has changed since the last election:

29 (a) The city clerk shall mail a notice of the change to each  
30 registered voter in the city not sooner than 10 days before  
31 distributing the sample ballots; or

32 (b) The sample ballot must also include a notice in bold type  
33 immediately above the location which states:

34  
35 NOTICE: THE LOCATION OF YOUR POLLING PLACE **OR**  
36 **PLACES** HAS CHANGED SINCE THE LAST ELECTION  
37

38 4. Except as otherwise provided in subsection 6, a sample  
39 ballot required to be distributed pursuant to this section must:

40 (a) Be prepared in at least 12-point type;

41 (b) Include the description of the anticipated financial effect and  
42 explanation of each citywide measure and advisory question,  
43 including arguments for and against the measure or question, as  
44 required pursuant to NRS 295.205 or 295.217; and



1 (c) Include on the front page, in a separate box created by bold  
2 lines, a notice prepared in at least 20-point bold type that states:

3  
4 NOTICE: TO RECEIVE A SAMPLE BALLOT IN  
5 LARGE TYPE, CALL (Insert appropriate telephone number)  
6

7 5. The word "Incumbent" must appear on the sample ballot  
8 next to the name of the candidate who is the incumbent, if required  
9 pursuant to NRS 293.2565.

10 6. A portion of a sample ballot that contains a facsimile of the  
11 display area of a voting device may include material in less than  
12 12-point type to the extent necessary to make the facsimile fit on the  
13 pages of the sample ballot.

14 7. The sample ballot distributed to a person who requests a  
15 sample ballot in large type by exercising the option provided  
16 pursuant to NRS 293.508, or in any other manner, must be prepared  
17 in at least 14-point type, or larger when practicable.

18 8. If a person requests a sample ballot in large type, the city  
19 clerk shall ensure that all future sample ballots distributed to that  
20 person from the city are in large type.

21 9. The city clerk shall include in each sample ballot a statement  
22 indicating that the city clerk will, upon request of a voter who is  
23 elderly or disabled, make reasonable accommodations to allow the  
24 voter to vote at his or her polling place *or places* and provide  
25 reasonable assistance to the voter in casting his or her vote,  
26 including, without limitation, providing appropriate materials to  
27 assist the voter. In addition, if the city clerk has provided pursuant to  
28 subsection 4 of NRS 293C.281 for the placement at centralized  
29 voting locations of specially equipped voting devices for use by  
30 voters who are elderly or disabled, the city clerk shall include in the  
31 sample ballot a statement indicating:

32 (a) The addresses of such centralized voting locations;

33 (b) The types of specially equipped voting devices available at  
34 such centralized voting locations; and

35 (c) That a voter who is elderly or disabled may cast his or her  
36 ballot at such a centralized voting location rather than at the voter's  
37 regularly designated polling place *or places*.

38 10. The cost of distributing sample ballots for a city election  
39 must be borne by the city holding the election.

40 **Sec. 41.** NRS 293C.535 is hereby amended to read as follows:

41 293C.535 1. Except as otherwise provided by special charter,  
42 registration of electors in incorporated cities must be accomplished  
43 in the manner provided in this chapter.

44 2. The county clerk shall use the statewide voter registration  
45 list to prepare for the city clerk of each incorporated city within the



1 county the roster of all electors eligible to vote at a regular or special  
2 city election.

3 3. ~~The~~ *Except as otherwise provided in section 27 of this*  
4 *act, the* rosters must be prepared, one for each ward or other voting  
5 district within each incorporated city. The entries in the roster must  
6 be arranged alphabetically with the surnames first.

7 4. The county clerk shall keep duplicate originals or copies of  
8 the applications to register to vote in the county clerk's office.

9 **Sec. 42.** NRS 293C.715 is hereby amended to read as follows:

10 293C.715 1. If a city clerk maintains a website on the  
11 Internet for information relating to elections, the website must  
12 contain public information maintained, collected or compiled by the  
13 city clerk that relates to elections, which must include, without  
14 limitation:

15 (a) The locations of polling places for casting a ballot on  
16 election day in such a form that a registered voter may search the list  
17 to determine the location of the polling place *or places* at which the  
18 registered voter is ~~required~~ *entitled* to cast a ballot; and

19 (b) The abstract of votes required to be posted on a website  
20 pursuant to the provisions of NRS 293C.387.

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

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

31 **Sec. 43.** The provisions of NRS 354.599 do not apply to any  
32 additional expenses of a local government that are related to the  
33 provisions of this act.

34 **Sec. 44.** This act becomes effective:

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

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

