

ASSEMBLY BILL NO. 422—COMMITTEE ON  
LEGISLATIVE OPERATIONS AND ELECTIONS

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Referred to Committee on Legislative Operations and Elections

SUMMARY—Makes various changes relating to elections.  
(BDR 24-1040)

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

CONTAINS UNFUNDED MANDATE (§§ 32, 37.7)  
(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; requiring the Secretary of State to create a centralized database that collects and stores voter preregistration and registration information from all of the counties; requiring each county clerk to use the database created by the Secretary of State to collect and store preregistration and registration information; making various other changes related to the creation and use of the database created by the Secretary of State; revising provisions governing risk-limiting audits of elections; and providing other matters properly relating thereto.

**Legislative Counsel’s Digest:**

1 Existing law requires the Secretary of State to establish and maintain an official  
2 statewide voter registration list in consultation with each county and city clerk  
3 which serves as the official list of registered voters in this State. (NRS 293.675)  
4 **Section 32** of this bill requires the Secretary of State to establish and maintain a  
5 centralized, top-down database that collects and stores information relating to voter  
6 preregistration and registration from all counties. **Section 32** further requires: (1)  
7 the county clerks to use the database to collect and maintain all information related  
8 to voter preregistration and registration; and (2) the Secretary of State to use the  
9 voter registration information contained in the database to create the official  
10 statewide voter list. **Sections 1-31, 33-37 and 39** of this bill make conforming  
11 changes to existing provisions relating to elections, voter preregistration and voter  
12 registration to account for the required use of the centralized database.  
13 **Section 39.5** of this bill requires the Secretary of State to, beginning on  
14 January 1, 2022, and ending on January 1, 2024, submit a semi-annual report to the



15 Director of the Legislative Counsel Bureau for transmittal to the Interim Finance  
16 Committee detailing the progress made by the Secretary of State in implementing  
17 the provisions of this bill related to the centralized, top-down database.

18 Existing law: (1) requires the Secretary of State to develop a pilot program for  
19 conducting a risk-limiting audit of the results of the 2020 general election; and (2)  
20 authorizes the Secretary of State to require each county clerk to participate in the  
21 pilot program and conduct a risk-limiting audit of the results of the 2020 general  
22 election. (Section 86 of chapter 546, Statutes of Nevada 2019, at page 3426)  
23 Effective January 1, 2022, existing law requires each county clerk to conduct a risk-  
24 limiting audit of the results of an election prior to the certification of the results of  
25 the election. (NRS 293.394) **Section 37.3** of this bill delays the effective date of  
26 this requirement until January 1, 2024. **Section 37.7** of this bill: (1) requires the  
27 Secretary of State to develop a pilot program for conducting a risk-limiting audit of  
28 the results of the 2022 general election; and (2) authorizes the Secretary of State to  
29 require each county clerk to participate in the pilot program and conduct a risk-  
30 limiting audit of the results of the 2022 general election.

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THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF NEVADA, REPRESENTED IN  
SENATE AND ASSEMBLY, DO ENACT AS FOLLOWS:

1 **Section 1.** NRS 293.017 is hereby amended to read as follows:

2 293.017 “Active registration” means a current registration of a  
3 voter in the ~~{official register,}~~ *statewide voter registration list*,  
4 entitling such voter to vote in the manner provided by this title.

5 **Sec. 2.** NRS 293.1277 is hereby amended to read as follows:

6 293.1277 1. If the Secretary of State finds that the total  
7 number of signatures submitted to all the county clerks is 100  
8 percent or more of the number of registered voters needed to declare  
9 the petition sufficient, the Secretary of State shall immediately so  
10 notify the county clerks. After the notification, each of the county  
11 clerks shall determine the number of registered voters who have  
12 signed the documents submitted in the county clerk’s county and, in  
13 the case of a petition for initiative or referendum proposing a  
14 constitutional amendment or statewide measure, shall tally the  
15 number of signatures for each petition district contained or fully  
16 contained within the county clerk’s county. This determination must  
17 be completed within 9 days, excluding Saturdays, Sundays and  
18 holidays, after the notification pursuant to this subsection regarding  
19 a petition containing signatures which are required to be verified  
20 pursuant to NRS 293.128, 295.056, 298.109 or 306.110, within 20  
21 days, excluding Saturdays, Sundays and holidays, after the  
22 notification pursuant to this subsection regarding a petition  
23 containing signatures which are required to be verified pursuant to  
24 NRS 306.035, and within 3 days, excluding Saturdays, Sundays and  
25 holidays, after the notification pursuant to this subsection regarding  
26 a petition containing signatures which are required to be verified  
27 pursuant to NRS 293.172 or 293.200. For the purpose of verification



1 pursuant to this section, the county clerk shall not include in his or  
2 her tally of total signatures any signature included in the incorrect  
3 petition district.

4 2. Except as otherwise provided in subsections 3 and 4, if more  
5 than 500 names have been signed on the documents submitted to a  
6 county clerk, the county clerk shall examine the signatures by  
7 sampling them at random for verification. The random sample of  
8 signatures to be verified must be drawn in such a manner that every  
9 signature which has been submitted to the county clerk is given an  
10 equal opportunity to be included in the sample. The sample must  
11 include an examination of:

12 (a) Except as otherwise provided in paragraph (b), at least 500  
13 or 5 percent of the signatures, whichever is greater.

14 (b) If the petition is for the recall of a public officer who holds a  
15 statewide office, at least 25 percent of the signatures.

16 ➔ If documents were submitted to the county clerk for more than  
17 one petition district wholly contained within that county, a separate  
18 random sample must be performed for each petition district.

19 3. If a petition district comprises more than one county and the  
20 petition is for an initiative or referendum proposing a constitutional  
21 amendment or a statewide measure, and if more than 500 names  
22 have been signed on the documents submitted for that petition  
23 district, the appropriate county clerks shall examine the signatures  
24 by sampling them at random for verification. The random sample of  
25 signatures to be verified must be drawn in such a manner that every  
26 signature which has been submitted to the county clerks within the  
27 petition district is given an equal opportunity to be included in the  
28 sample. The sample must include an examination of at least 500 or 5  
29 percent of the signatures presented in the petition district, whichever  
30 is greater. The Secretary of State shall determine the number of  
31 signatures that must be verified by each county clerk within the  
32 petition district.

33 4. If a petition is for the recall of a public officer who does not  
34 hold a statewide office, each county clerk:

35 (a) Shall not examine the signatures by sampling them at  
36 random for verification;

37 (b) Shall examine for verification every signature on the  
38 documents submitted to the county clerk; and

39 (c) When determining the total number of valid signatures on  
40 the documents, shall remove each name of a registered voter who  
41 submitted a request to have his or her name removed from the  
42 petition pursuant to NRS 306.015.

43 5. In determining from the records of registration the number  
44 of registered voters who signed the documents, the county clerk may  
45 use the signatures contained in the file of applications to register to



1 vote. If the county clerk uses that file, the county clerk shall ensure  
2 that every application in the file is examined, including any  
3 application in his or her possession which may not yet be entered  
4 into the county clerk's records. Except as otherwise provided in  
5 subsection 6, the county clerk shall rely only on the appearance of  
6 the signature and the address and date included with each signature  
7 in making his or her determination.

8 6. If:

9 (a) ~~[(pursuant to NRS 293.506, a county clerk establishes a~~  
10 ~~system to allow persons to register to vote by computer;~~

11 ~~—(b)]~~ A person registers to vote using the system established by  
12 the Secretary of State pursuant to NRS 293.671;

13 ~~[(e)]~~ (b) A person registers to vote pursuant to NRS 293D.230  
14 and signs his or her application to register to vote using a digital  
15 signature or an electronic signature; or

16 ~~[(d)]~~ (c) A person registers to vote pursuant to NRS 293.5742,  
17 the county clerk may rely on such other indicia as prescribed by  
18 the Secretary of State in making his or her determination.

19 7. In the case of a petition for initiative or referendum  
20 proposing a constitutional amendment or statewide measure, when  
21 the county clerk is determining the number of registered voters who  
22 signed the documents from each petition district contained fully or  
23 partially within the county clerk's county, he or she must use the  
24 statewide voter registration list available pursuant to NRS 293.675.

25 8. Except as otherwise provided in subsection 10, upon  
26 completing the examination, the county clerk shall immediately  
27 attach to the documents a certificate properly dated, showing the  
28 result of the examination, including the tally of signatures by  
29 petition district, if required, and transmit the documents with the  
30 certificate to the Secretary of State. In the case of a petition for  
31 initiative or referendum proposing a constitutional amendment or  
32 statewide measure, if a petition district comprises more than one  
33 county, the appropriate county clerks shall comply with the  
34 regulations adopted by the Secretary of State pursuant to this section  
35 to complete the certificate. A copy of this certificate must be filed in  
36 the clerk's office. When the county clerk transmits the certificate to  
37 the Secretary of State, the county clerk shall notify the Secretary of  
38 State of the number of requests to remove a name received by the  
39 county clerk pursuant to NRS 295.055 or pursuant to NRS 306.015  
40 for a petition to recall a public officer who holds a statewide office,  
41 if applicable.

42 9. A person who submits a petition to the county clerk which is  
43 required to be verified pursuant to NRS 293.128, 293.172, 293.200,  
44 295.056, 298.109, 306.035 or 306.110 must be allowed to witness  
45 the verification of the signatures. A public officer who is the subject



1 of a recall petition must also be allowed to witness the verification  
2 of the signatures on the petition.

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

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

10 **Sec. 3.** NRS 293.250 is hereby amended to read as follows:

11 293.250 1. Except as otherwise provided in chapter 293D of  
12 NRS, the Secretary of State shall, in a manner consistent with the  
13 election laws of this State, prescribe:

14 (a) The form of all ballots, absent ballots, diagrams, sample  
15 ballots, certificates, notices, declarations, applications to preregister  
16 and register to vote, lists, applications, registers, rosters, statements  
17 and abstracts required by the election laws of this State.

18 (b) The procedures to be followed and the requirements of ~~f:~~  
19 ~~— (1) A system established pursuant to NRS 293.506 for using~~  
20 ~~a computer to register voters and to keep records of registration.~~

21 ~~— (2) The~~ *the* system established by the Secretary of State  
22 pursuant to NRS 293.671 for using a computer to register voters.

23 2. Except as otherwise provided in chapter 293D of NRS, the  
24 Secretary of State shall prescribe with respect to the matter to be  
25 printed on every kind of ballot:

26 (a) The placement and listing of all offices, candidates and  
27 measures upon which voting is statewide, which must be uniform  
28 throughout the State.

29 (b) The listing of all other candidates required to file with the  
30 Secretary of State, and the order of listing all offices, candidates and  
31 measures upon which voting is not statewide, from which each  
32 county or city clerk shall prepare appropriate ballot forms for use in  
33 any election in his or her county.

34 3. The Secretary of State shall place the condensation of each  
35 proposed constitutional amendment or statewide measure near the  
36 spaces or devices for indicating the voter's choice.

37 4. The fiscal note for, explanation of, arguments for and  
38 against, and rebuttals to such arguments of each proposed  
39 constitutional amendment or statewide measure must be included on  
40 all sample ballots.

41 5. The condensations and explanations for constitutional  
42 amendments and statewide measures proposed by initiative or  
43 referendum must be prepared by the Secretary of State, upon  
44 consultation with the Attorney General. The arguments and rebuttals  
45 for or against constitutional amendments and statewide measures



1 proposed by initiative or referendum must be prepared in the  
2 manner set forth in NRS 293.252. The fiscal notes for constitutional  
3 amendments and statewide measures proposed by initiative or  
4 referendum must be prepared by the Secretary of State, upon  
5 consultation with the Fiscal Analysis Division of the Legislative  
6 Counsel Bureau. The condensations, explanations, arguments,  
7 rebuttals and fiscal notes must be in easily understood language and  
8 of reasonable length, and whenever feasible must be completed by  
9 August 1 of the year in which the general election is to be held. The  
10 explanations must include a digest. The digest must include a  
11 concise and clear summary of any existing laws directly related to  
12 the constitutional amendment or statewide measure and a summary  
13 of how the constitutional amendment or statewide measure adds to,  
14 changes or repeals such existing laws. For a constitutional  
15 amendment or statewide measure that creates, generates, increases  
16 or decreases any public revenue in any form, the first paragraph of  
17 the digest must include a statement that the constitutional  
18 amendment or statewide measure creates, generates, increases or  
19 decreases, as applicable, public revenue.

20 6. The names of candidates for township and legislative or  
21 special district offices must be printed only on the ballots furnished  
22 to voters of that township or district.

23 7. A county clerk:

24 (a) May divide paper ballots into two sheets in a manner which  
25 provides a clear understanding and grouping of all measures and  
26 candidates.

27 (b) Shall prescribe the color or colors of the ballots and voting  
28 receipts used in any election which the clerk is required to conduct.

29 **Sec. 4.** NRS 293.3165 is hereby amended to read as follows:

30 293.3165 1. Except as otherwise provided in this section, a  
31 registered voter who provides sufficient written notice to the county  
32 clerk may request that the registered voter receive an absent ballot  
33 for all elections at which the registered voter is eligible to vote. The  
34 written notice is effective for all elections that are conducted after  
35 the registered voter provides the written notice to the county clerk,  
36 except that the written notice is not effective for the next ensuing  
37 election unless the written notice is provided to the county clerk  
38 before the time has elapsed for requesting an absent ballot for the  
39 election pursuant to subsection 1 of NRS 293.313.

40 2. Except as otherwise provided in this section or for an  
41 affected election that is subject to the provisions of NRS 293.8801  
42 to 293.8887, inclusive, upon receipt of the written notice provided  
43 by the registered voter pursuant to subsection 1, the county clerk  
44 shall:



1 (a) Issue an absent ballot to the registered voter for each primary  
2 election, general election and special election, other than a special  
3 city election, that is conducted after the written notice is effective  
4 pursuant to subsection 1.

5 (b) Inform the applicable city clerk of receipt of the written  
6 notice provided by the registered voter. Upon being informed of the  
7 written notice by the county clerk, the city clerk shall issue an  
8 absent ballot for each primary city election, general city election and  
9 special city election that is conducted after the written notice is  
10 effective pursuant to subsection 1.

11 3. The county clerk must not mail an absent ballot requested by  
12 a registered voter pursuant to subsection 1 if, after the request is  
13 submitted:

14 (a) The registered voter is designated inactive pursuant to  
15 NRS 293.530;

16 (b) The county clerk cancels the registration of the person  
17 pursuant to NRS ~~293.527,~~ 293.530, 293.535 or 293.540; ~~or~~

18 (c) *The registered voter has moved to another county and the*  
19 *county clerk of that county has updated the voter's registration on*  
20 *the statewide voter registration list pursuant to NRS 293.527; or*

21 (d) An absent ballot is returned to the county clerk as  
22 undeliverable, unless the registered voter has submitted a new  
23 request pursuant to subsection 1.

24 4. The procedure authorized pursuant to this section is subject  
25 to all other provisions of this chapter relating to voting by absent  
26 ballot to the extent that those provisions are not inconsistent with  
27 the provisions of this section.

28 **Sec. 5.** NRS 293.4855 is hereby amended to read as follows:

29 293.4855 1. Every citizen of the United States who is 17  
30 years of age or older but less than 18 years of age and has  
31 continuously resided in this State for 30 days or longer may  
32 preregister to vote by any of the methods available for a person to  
33 register to vote pursuant to this title. A person eligible to preregister  
34 to vote is deemed to be preregistered to vote upon the submission of  
35 a completed application to preregister to vote.

36 2. If a person preregisters to vote, he or she shall be deemed to  
37 be a registered voter on his or her 18th birthday unless:

38 (a) The person's preregistration has been cancelled as described  
39 in subsection 7; or

40 (b) Except as otherwise provided in NRS 293D.210, on the  
41 person's 18th birthday, he or she does not satisfy the voter eligibility  
42 requirements set forth in NRS 293.485.

43 3. The county clerk shall issue to a person who is deemed to be  
44 registered to vote pursuant to subsection 2 a voter registration card  
45 as soon as practicable after the person is deemed to be registered to



1 vote, but the issuance of a voter registration card to the person is not  
2 a prerequisite to vote in an election.

3 4. On the date that a person who preregisters to vote is deemed  
4 to be registered to vote, his or her application to preregister to vote  
5 is deemed to be his or her application to register to vote.

6 5. If a person preregistered to vote:

7 (a) By mail or computer, he or she shall be deemed to have  
8 registered to vote by mail or computer, as applicable.

9 (b) In person, he or she shall be deemed to have registered to  
10 vote in person.

11 6. The preregistration information of a person may be updated  
12 by any of the methods for updating the voter registration  
13 information of a person pursuant to this chapter.

14 7. The preregistration to vote of a person may be cancelled by  
15 any of the means and for any of the reasons for cancelling voter  
16 registration pursuant to this chapter.

17 8. Except as otherwise provided in this subsection, all  
18 preregistration information relating to a person is confidential and is  
19 not a public record. Once a person's application to preregister to  
20 vote is deemed to be an application to register to vote, any voter  
21 registration information related to the person must be disclosed  
22 pursuant to any law that requires voter registration information to be  
23 disclosed.

24 9. The Secretary of State shall adopt regulations providing for  
25 preregistration to vote. The regulations:

26 (a) Must include, without limitation, provisions to ensure that  
27 once a person is deemed to be a registered voter pursuant to  
28 subsection 2, the person is issued a voter registration card as soon as  
29 practicable and is immediately added to the statewide voter  
30 registration list ; ~~and the registrar of voters' register;~~ and

31 (b) Must not require a county clerk to provide to a person who  
32 preregisters to vote sample ballots or any other voter information  
33 provided to registered voters unless the person will be eligible to  
34 vote at the election for which the sample ballots or other information  
35 is provided.

36 **Sec. 6.** NRS 293.503 is hereby amended to read as follows:

37 293.503 1. The county clerk of each county where a registrar  
38 of voters has not been appointed pursuant to NRS 244.164:

39 (a) Is ex officio county registrar and registrar for all precincts  
40 within the county.

41 (b) Shall have the custody of all books, documents and papers  
42 pertaining to preregistration or registration provided for in this  
43 chapter.





1 2. All books, documents and papers pertaining to  
2 preregistration or registration are official records of the office of the  
3 county clerk.

4 3. The county clerk shall maintain records of any program or  
5 activity that is conducted within the county to ensure the accuracy  
6 and currency of the ~~registrar of voters' register~~ *statewide voter*  
7 *registration list* for not less than 2 years after creation. The records  
8 must include the names and addresses of any person to whom a  
9 notice is mailed pursuant to NRS 293.5235, 293.530, or 293.535  
10 and whether the person responded to the notice.

11 4. Any program or activity that is conducted within the county  
12 for the purpose of removing the name of each person who is  
13 ineligible to vote in the county from the ~~registrar of voters' register~~  
14 *statewide voter registration list* must be complete not later than 90  
15 days before the next primary or general election.

16 5. Except as otherwise provided by subsection 6, all records  
17 maintained by the county clerk pursuant to subsection 3 must be  
18 available for public inspection.

19 6. Except as otherwise provided in NRS 239.0115, any  
20 information relating to where a person preregisters or registers to  
21 vote must remain confidential and is not available for public  
22 inspection. Such information may only be used by an election  
23 officer for purposes related to preregistration and registration.

24 **Sec. 7.** NRS 293.506 is hereby amended to read as follows:

25 293.506 ~~1. A county clerk may, with approval of the board~~  
26 ~~of county commissioners, establish a system for using a computer to~~  
27 ~~register voters and to keep records of registration.~~

28 ~~2. A system established pursuant to subsection 1 must:~~

29 ~~(a) Comply with any procedures and requirements prescribed by~~  
30 ~~the Secretary of State pursuant to NRS 293.250; and~~

31 ~~(b) Allow a person to preregister to vote and the county clerk to~~  
32 ~~keep records of preregistration by computer.~~

33 ~~3.] Except as otherwise provided in NRS 293.5772 to~~  
34 ~~293.5887, inclusive, regardless of whether a county clerk~~  
35 ~~establishes a system pursuant to subsection 1.] the county clerk shall~~  
36 accept applications to preregister and register to vote submitted by  
37 computer to the Secretary of State through the system established by  
38 the Secretary of State pursuant to NRS 293.671.

39 **Sec. 8.** NRS 293.510 is hereby amended to read as follows:

40 293.510 1. ~~Except as otherwise provided in subsection 3, in~~  
41 ~~counties where computers are not used to register voters, the] Each~~  
42 county clerk shall ~~]:~~

43 ~~(a) Segregate original applications to register to vote according~~  
44 ~~to the precinct in which the registered voters reside and arrange the~~  
45 ~~applications in each precinct or district in alphabetical order. The~~



~~applications for each precinct or district must be kept separately] use the database created by the Secretary of State pursuant to NRS 293.675 to prepare a roster for each precinct or district. [These applications must be used to prepare the rosters.~~

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

~~2. Except as otherwise provided in subsection 3, in any county where a computer is used to register voters, the county clerk shall:~~

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

~~(b) Segregate the applications to register to vote in a computer file according to the precinct or district in which the registered voters reside, and for each precinct or district have printed a computer listing which contains the applications to register to vote in alphabetical order. These listings of applications to register to vote must be used to prepare the rosters.~~

~~3. From the applications to register to vote received by each county clerk, the county clerk shall:~~

~~(a) Segregate the applications electronically transmitted by the Department of Motor Vehicles pursuant to subsection 1 of NRS 293.5747 in a computer file according to the precinct or district in which the registered voters reside; and~~

~~(b) Arrange the applications in each precinct or district in alphabetical order.~~

~~4.] 2. Each county clerk shall keep the applications to preregister to vote separate from the applications to register to vote until such applications are deemed to be applications to register to vote pursuant to subsection 2 of NRS 293.4855.~~

**Sec. 9.** NRS 293.513 is hereby amended to read as follows:

293.513 If at any time ~~[the registrar of voters' register]~~ voter registration is closed for one election, but open for some other election, any elector must be permitted to register *to vote* for the other election . ~~[, but the county clerk shall retain the elector's application to register to vote in a separate file until the registrar of voters' register is again open for filing of applications at which time all applications in the temporary file must be placed in their proper position in the registrar of voters' register.]~~

**Sec. 10.** NRS 293.517 is hereby amended to read as follows:

293.517 1. Any person who meets the qualifications set forth in NRS 293.4855 residing within the county may preregister to vote and any elector residing within the county may register to vote:



1 (a) Except as otherwise provided in NRS 293.560 and  
2 293C.527, by appearing before the county clerk, a field registrar or a  
3 voter registration agency, completing the application to preregister  
4 or register to vote, giving true and satisfactory answers to all  
5 questions relevant to his or her identity and right to preregister or  
6 register to vote, and providing proof of residence and identity;

7 (b) By completing and mailing or personally delivering to the  
8 county clerk an application to preregister or register to vote pursuant  
9 to the provisions of NRS 293.5235;

10 (c) Pursuant to the provisions of NRS 293.5727 or 293.5742 or  
11 chapter 293D of NRS;

12 (d) At his or her residence with the assistance of a field registrar  
13 pursuant to NRS 293.5237;

14 (e) By submitting an application to preregister or register to vote  
15 by computer using the system ~~†~~

16 ~~—(1) Established~~ *established* by the Secretary of State  
17 pursuant to NRS 293.671; or

18 ~~{(2) Established by the county clerk, if the county clerk has~~  
19 ~~established a system pursuant to NRS 293.506 for using a computer~~  
20 ~~to register voters; or}~~

21 (f) By any other method authorized by the provisions of this  
22 title.

23 ↪ The county clerk shall require a person to submit official  
24 identification as proof of residence and identity, such as a driver's  
25 license or other official document, before preregistering or  
26 registering the person. If the applicant preregisters or registers to  
27 vote pursuant to this subsection and fails to provide proof of  
28 residence and identity, the applicant must provide proof of residence  
29 and identity before casting a ballot in person or by mail or after  
30 casting a provisional ballot pursuant to NRS 293.3078 to 293.3086,  
31 inclusive. For the purposes of this subsection, a voter registration  
32 card does not provide proof of the residence or identity of a person.

33 2. In addition to the methods for registering to vote described  
34 in subsection 1, an elector may register to vote pursuant to NRS  
35 293.5772 to 293.5887, inclusive.

36 3. Except as otherwise provided in NRS 293.5732 to 293.5757,  
37 inclusive, the application to preregister or register to vote must be  
38 signed and verified under penalty of perjury by the person  
39 preregistering or the elector registering.

40 4. Each person or elector who is or has been married must be  
41 preregistered or registered under his or her own given or first name,  
42 and not under the given or first name or initials of his or her spouse.

43 5. A person or an elector who is preregistered or registered and  
44 changes his or her name must complete a new application to



1 preregister or register to vote, as applicable. The person or elector  
2 may obtain a new application:

3 (a) At the office of the county clerk or field registrar;

4 (b) By submitting an application to preregister or register to vote  
5 pursuant to the provisions of NRS 293.5235;

6 (c) By submitting a written statement to the county clerk  
7 requesting the county clerk to mail an application to preregister or  
8 register to vote;

9 (d) At any voter registration agency; or

10 (e) By submitting an application to preregister or register to vote  
11 by computer using the system ~~f:~~

12 ~~— (1) Established~~ *established* by the Secretary of State  
13 pursuant to NRS 293.671 . ~~f: or~~

14 ~~— (2) Established by the county clerk, if the county clerk has~~  
15 ~~established a system pursuant to NRS 293.506 for using a computer~~  
16 ~~to register voters.]~~

17 ↪ If the elector fails to register under his or her new name, the  
18 elector may be challenged pursuant to the provisions of NRS  
19 293.303 or 293C.292 and may be required to furnish proof of  
20 identity and subsequent change of name.

21 6. Except as otherwise provided in subsection 8 and NRS  
22 293.5742 to 293.5757, inclusive, 293.5767 and 293.5772 to  
23 293.5887, inclusive, an elector who registers to vote pursuant to  
24 paragraph (a) of subsection 1 shall be deemed to be registered upon  
25 the completion of an application to register to vote.

26 7. After the county clerk determines that the application to  
27 register to vote of a person is complete and that, except as otherwise  
28 provided in NRS 293D.210, the person is eligible to vote pursuant  
29 to NRS 293.485, the county clerk shall issue a voter registration  
30 card to the voter.

31 8. If a person or an elector submits an application to preregister  
32 or register to vote or an affidavit described in paragraph (c) of  
33 subsection 1 of NRS 293.507 that contains any handwritten  
34 additions, erasures or interlineations, the county clerk may object to  
35 the application if the county clerk believes that because of such  
36 handwritten additions, erasures or interlineations, the application is  
37 incomplete or that, except as otherwise provided in NRS 293D.210,  
38 the person is not eligible to preregister pursuant to NRS 293.4855 or  
39 the elector is not eligible to vote pursuant to NRS 293.485, as  
40 applicable. If the county clerk objects pursuant to this subsection, he  
41 or she shall immediately notify the person or elector, as applicable,  
42 and the district attorney of the county. Not later than 5 business days  
43 after the district attorney receives such notification, the district  
44 attorney shall advise the county clerk as to whether:



1 (a) The application is complete and, except as otherwise  
2 provided in NRS 293D.210, the person is eligible to preregister  
3 pursuant to NRS 293.4855 or the elector is eligible to vote pursuant  
4 to NRS 293.485; and

5 (b) The county clerk should proceed to process the application.

6 9. If the district attorney advises the county clerk to process the  
7 application pursuant to subsection 8, the county clerk shall  
8 immediately issue a voter registration card to the applicant, unless  
9 the applicant is preregistered to vote and does not currently meet the  
10 requirements to be issued a voter registration card pursuant to  
11 NRS 293.4855.

12 **Sec. 11.** NRS 293.518 is hereby amended to read as follows:

13 293.518 1. Except as otherwise provided in NRS 293.5737  
14 and 293.5742, at the time a person preregisters or an elector  
15 registers to vote, the person or elector must indicate:

16 (a) A political party affiliation; or

17 (b) That he or she is not affiliated with a political party.

18 ↪ A person or an elector who indicates that he or she is  
19 “independent” shall be deemed not affiliated with a political party.

20 2. If a person or an elector indicates that he or she is not  
21 affiliated with a political party, or is independent, the county clerk  
22 or field registrar of voters shall list the person’s or elector’s political  
23 party as nonpartisan.

24 3. If a person or an elector indicates an affiliation with a major  
25 political party or a minor political party that has filed a certificate of  
26 existence with the Secretary of State, the county clerk or field  
27 registrar of voters shall list the person’s or elector’s political party as  
28 indicated by the person or elector.

29 4. If a person or an elector indicates an affiliation with a minor  
30 political party that has not filed a certificate of existence with the  
31 Secretary of State, the county clerk or field registrar of voters shall:

32 (a) List the person’s or elector’s political party as the party  
33 indicated in the application to preregister or register to vote, as  
34 applicable.

35 (b) When compiling data related to preregistration and voter  
36 registration for the county, report the person’s or elector’s political  
37 party as “other party.”

38 5. Except as otherwise provided in subsection 6, if a person or  
39 an elector does not make any of the indications described in  
40 subsection 1, the county clerk or field registrar of voters shall:

41 (a) List the person’s or elector’s political party as nonpartisan;  
42 and

43 (b) Mail to the person or elector a notice setting forth that the  
44 person has been preregistered or the elector has been registered to



1 vote, as applicable, as a nonpartisan because he or she did not make  
2 any of the indications described in subsection 1.

3 6. Except as otherwise provided in subsection 7, if a person  
4 who is preregistered or registered to vote:

5 (a) Submits a new paper application to preregister or register to  
6 vote ; ~~in the same county in which the person is preregistered or~~  
7 ~~registered to vote;~~ and

8 (b) Does not make any of the indications described in subsection  
9 1 on the new paper application,

10 ↪ the county clerk or field registrar of voters shall not change the  
11 person's existing political party affiliation that was established by  
12 his or her prior application pursuant to this section and is listed in  
13 the ~~current records of the county clerk.~~ *statewide voter*  
14 *registration list.*

15 7. The provisions of subsection 6 do not apply to a voter who  
16 registers to vote using the National Mail Voter Registration  
17 Application promulgated by the United States Election Assistance  
18 Commission pursuant to the National Voter Registration Act, 52  
19 U.S.C. §§ 20501 et seq., as amended.

20 **Sec. 12.** NRS 293.5235 is hereby amended to read as follows:

21 293.5235 1. Except as otherwise provided in NRS 293.502  
22 and chapter 293D of NRS, a person may preregister or register to  
23 vote by:

24 (a) Mailing an application to preregister or register to vote to the  
25 county clerk of the county in which the person resides.

26 (b) A computer using ~~the~~  
27 ~~— (1) The~~ *the* system established by the Secretary of State  
28 pursuant to NRS 293.671 . ~~the~~ ~~or~~

29 ~~— (2) A system established by the county clerk, if the county~~  
30 ~~clerk has established a system pursuant to NRS 293.506 for using a~~  
31 ~~computer to preregister or register to vote.]~~

32 (c) Any other method authorized by the provisions of this title.

33 2. The county clerk shall, upon request, mail an application to  
34 preregister or register to vote to an applicant. The county clerk shall  
35 make the applications available at various public places in the  
36 county.

37 3. Except as otherwise provided in NRS 293.5772 to 293.5887,  
38 inclusive:

39 (a) An application to preregister to vote may be used to correct  
40 information in a previous application.

41 (b) An application to register to vote may be used to correct  
42 information in the ~~registrar of voters' register.~~ *statewide voter*  
43 *registration list.*

44 4. An application to preregister or register to vote which is  
45 mailed to an applicant by the county clerk or made available to the



1 public at various locations or voter registration agencies in the  
2 county may be returned to the county clerk by mail or in person. For  
3 the purposes of this section, an application which is personally  
4 delivered to the county clerk shall be deemed to have been returned  
5 by mail.

6 5. The applicant must complete the application, including,  
7 without limitation, checking the boxes described in paragraphs (b)  
8 and (c) of subsection 12 and signing the application.

9 6. The county clerk shall, upon receipt of an application,  
10 determine whether the application is complete.

11 7. If the county clerk determines that the application is  
12 complete, he or she shall, within 10 days after receiving the  
13 application, mail to the applicant:

14 (a) A notice that the applicant is preregistered or registered to  
15 vote, as applicable. If the applicant is registered to vote, the county  
16 clerk must also mail to the applicant a voter registration card; or

17 (b) A notice that the person's application to preregister to vote  
18 or the ~~[registrar of voters' register]~~ *statewide voter registration list*  
19 has been corrected to reflect any changes indicated on the  
20 application.

21 8. Except as otherwise provided in subsections 5 and 6 of NRS  
22 293.518 and NRS 293.5767, if the county clerk determines that the  
23 application is not complete, the county clerk shall, as soon as  
24 possible, mail a notice to the applicant that additional information is  
25 required to complete the application. If the applicant provides the  
26 information requested by the county clerk within 15 days after the  
27 county clerk mails the notice, the county clerk shall, within 10 days  
28 after receiving the information, mail to the applicant:

29 (a) A notice that the applicant is:

30 (1) Preregistered to vote; or

31 (2) Registered to vote and a voter registration card; or

32 (b) A notice that the person's application to preregister to vote  
33 or the ~~[registrar of voters' register]~~ *statewide voter registration list*  
34 has been corrected to reflect any changes indicated on the  
35 application.

36 ↪ If the applicant does not provide the additional information  
37 within the prescribed period, the application is void.

38 9. The applicant shall be deemed to be preregistered or  
39 registered or to have corrected the information in the application to  
40 preregister to vote or the ~~[registrar of voters' register]~~ *statewide*  
41 *voter registration list* on the date the application is postmarked or  
42 received by the county clerk, whichever is earlier.

43 10. If the applicant fails to check the box described in  
44 paragraph (b) of subsection 12, the application shall not be  
45 considered invalid, and the county clerk shall provide a means for



1 the applicant to correct the omission at the time the applicant  
2 appears to vote in person at the assigned polling place.

3 11. The Secretary of State shall prescribe the form for  
4 applications to preregister or register to vote by:

5 (a) Mail, which must be used to preregister or register to vote by  
6 mail in this State.

7 (b) Computer, which must be used to preregister or register to  
8 vote by computer using ~~[-~~

9 ~~— (1) The~~ *the* system established by the Secretary of State  
10 pursuant to NRS 293.671 . ~~[- or~~

11 ~~— (2) A system established by the county clerk, if the county~~  
12 ~~clerk has established a system pursuant to NRS 293.506 for using a~~  
13 ~~computer to preregister or register to vote.]~~

14 12. The application to preregister or register to vote by mail  
15 must include:

16 (a) A notice in at least 10-point type which states:  
17

18 NOTICE: You are urged to return your application to the  
19 County Clerk in person or by mail. If you choose to give your  
20 completed application to another person to return to the  
21 County Clerk on your behalf, and the person fails to deliver  
22 the application to the County Clerk, you will not be  
23 preregistered or registered to vote, as applicable. Please retain  
24 the duplicate copy or receipt from your application to  
25 preregister or register to vote.  
26

27 (b) The question, “Are you a citizen of the United States?” and  
28 boxes for the applicant to check to indicate whether or not the  
29 applicant is a citizen of the United States.

30 (c) If the application is to:

31 (1) Preregister to vote, the question, “Are you at least 17  
32 years of age and not more than 18 years of age?” and boxes to  
33 indicate whether or not the applicant is at least 17 years of age and  
34 not more than 18 years of age.

35 (2) Register to vote, the question, “Will you be at least 18  
36 years of age on or before election day?” and boxes for the applicant  
37 to check to indicate whether or not the applicant will be at least 18  
38 years of age or older on election day.

39 (d) A statement instructing the applicant not to complete the  
40 application if the applicant checked “no” in response to the question  
41 set forth in:

42 (1) If the application is to preregister to vote, paragraph (b)  
43 or subparagraph (1) of paragraph (c).

44 (2) If the application is to register to vote, paragraph (b) or  
45 subparagraph (2) of paragraph (c).





1 (e) A statement informing the applicant that if the application is  
2 submitted by mail and the applicant is preregistering or registering  
3 to vote for the first time, the applicant must submit the information  
4 set forth in paragraph (a) of subsection 2 of NRS 293.2725 to avoid  
5 the requirements of subsection 1 of NRS 293.2725 upon voting for  
6 the first time.

7 13. Except as otherwise provided in subsections 5 and 6 of  
8 NRS 293.518, the county clerk shall not preregister or register a  
9 person to vote pursuant to this section unless that person has  
10 provided all of the information required by the application.

11 14. The county clerk shall mail, by postcard, the notices  
12 required pursuant to subsections 7 and 8. If the postcard is returned  
13 to the county clerk by the United States Postal Service because the  
14 address is fictitious or the person does not live at that address, the  
15 county clerk shall attempt to determine whether the person's current  
16 residence is other than that indicated on the application to  
17 preregister or register to vote in the manner set forth in  
18 NRS 293.530.

19 15. A person who, by mail, preregisters or registers to vote  
20 pursuant to this section may be assisted in completing the  
21 application to preregister or register to vote by any other person.  
22 The application must include the mailing address and signature of  
23 the person who assisted the applicant. The failure to provide the  
24 information required by this subsection will not result in the  
25 application being deemed incomplete.

26 16. An application to preregister or register to vote must be  
27 made available to all persons, regardless of political party affiliation.

28 17. An application must not be altered or otherwise defaced  
29 after the applicant has completed and signed it. An application must  
30 be mailed or delivered in person to the office of the county clerk  
31 within 10 days after it is completed.

32 18. A person who willfully violates any of the provisions of  
33 subsection 15, 16 or 17 is guilty of a category E felony and shall be  
34 punished as provided in NRS 193.130.

35 19. The Secretary of State shall adopt regulations to carry out  
36 the provisions of this section.

37 **Sec. 13.** NRS 293.525 is hereby amended to read as follows:

38 293.525 1. Any elector who is presently registered and has  
39 changed residence after the last preceding general election and who  
40 fails to return or never receives a postcard mailed pursuant to NRS  
41 293.5235, 293.530 or 293.535 who moved:

42 (a) From one precinct to another or from one congressional  
43 district to another within the same county must be allowed to vote in  
44 the precinct where the elector previously resided after providing an



1 oral or written affirmation before an election board officer attesting  
2 to his or her new address.

3 (b) Within the same precinct must be allowed to vote after  
4 providing an oral or written affirmation before an election board  
5 officer attesting to his or her new address.

6 2. If an elector alleges that the ~~records in the registrar of~~  
7 ~~voters' register]~~ *statewide voter registration list* or the roster  
8 incorrectly indicate that the elector has changed residence, the  
9 elector must be permitted to vote after providing an oral or written  
10 affirmation before an election board officer attesting that he or she  
11 continues to reside at the same address.

12 3. If an elector refuses to provide an oral or written affirmation  
13 attesting to his or her address as required by this section, the elector  
14 may only vote at the special polling place in the county in the  
15 manner set forth in NRS 293.304.

16 4. The county clerk shall use any information regarding the  
17 current address of an elector obtained pursuant to this section to  
18 correct information in the ~~registrar of voters' register]~~ *statewide*  
19 *voter registration list* and the roster.

20 **Sec. 14.** NRS 293.527 is hereby amended to read as follows:

21 293.527 When a person moves to another county and  
22 preregisters to vote therein, or an elector moves to another county  
23 and registers to vote therein, the county clerk of the county where  
24 the person or elector has moved shall ~~send a cancellation notice to~~  
25 ~~the clerk of the county in which the person or elector previously~~  
26 ~~resided. The county clerk receiving such a notice shall cancel the~~  
27 ~~preregistration or registration of the person or elector and place it in~~  
28 ~~a cancelled file.]~~ *update the person's preregistration or elector's*  
29 *registration, as applicable, in the database created by the Secretary*  
30 *of State pursuant to NRS 293.675.*

31 **Sec. 15.** NRS 293.533 is hereby amended to read as follows:

32 293.533 Any elector may bring and any number of electors  
33 may join in an action or proceeding in a district court to compel the  
34 county clerk to enter the name of such elector or electors in  
35 the ~~registrar of voters' register]~~ *statewide voter registration list* and  
36 the roster.

37 **Sec. 16.** NRS 293.537 is hereby amended to read as follows:

38 293.537 1. The county clerk of each county shall maintain:

39 (a) A file of the applications to preregister to vote of persons  
40 who have cancelled their preregistration; and

41 (b) A file of the applications to register to vote of electors who  
42 have cancelled their registration, ~~[-]~~

43 ~~[-]~~ *in the database created by the Secretary of State pursuant to*  
44 *NRS 293.675.* The files must be kept in alphabetical order. The



1 county clerk shall mark the applications "Cancelled," and indicate  
2 thereon the reason for cancellation.

3 2. If the county clerk finds that the preregistration of a person  
4 was cancelled erroneously, the county clerk shall reinstate the  
5 person's application to preregister to vote.

6 3. If the county clerk finds that the registration of an elector  
7 was cancelled erroneously, the county clerk shall reregister the  
8 elector or on election day allow the elector whose registration was  
9 erroneously cancelled to vote pursuant to NRS 293.304, 293.525,  
10 293C.295 or 293C.525.

11 4. The county clerk ~~may:~~

12 ~~—(a) Microfilm the applications to preregister or register to vote~~  
13 ~~of a person or an elector who cancels his or her preregistration or~~  
14 ~~registration, as applicable, and destroy the originals at any time.~~

15 ~~—(b) Record~~ shall record cancelled applications to preregister or  
16 register to vote ~~[by computer]~~ in the database created by the  
17 *Secretary of State pursuant to NRS 293.675* and destroy the  
18 originals at any time.

19 ~~[(c) Destroy any application to preregister or register to vote of a~~  
20 ~~person or an elector who cancels his or her preregistration or~~  
21 ~~registration, as applicable, after the expiration of 3 years after the~~  
22 ~~date of cancellation.]~~

23 **Sec. 17.** NRS 293.541 is hereby amended to read as follows:

24 293.541 1. The county clerk shall cancel the preregistration  
25 of a person or the registration of a voter if:

26 (a) After consultation with the district attorney, the district  
27 attorney determines that there is probable cause to believe that  
28 information in the application to preregister or register to vote  
29 concerning the identity or residence of the person or voter is  
30 fraudulent;

31 (b) The county clerk provides a notice as required pursuant to  
32 subsection 2 or executes an affidavit of cancellation pursuant to  
33 subsection 3; and

34 (c) The person or voter fails to present satisfactory proof of  
35 identity and residence pursuant to subsection 2, 4 or 5.

36 2. Except as otherwise provided in subsection 3, the county  
37 clerk shall notify the person or voter by registered or certified mail,  
38 return receipt requested, of a determination made pursuant to  
39 subsection 1. The notice must set forth the grounds for cancellation.  
40 Unless the person or voter, within 15 days after the return receipt  
41 has been filed in the office of the county clerk, presents satisfactory  
42 proof of identity and residence to the county clerk, the county clerk  
43 shall cancel the person's preregistration or the voter's registration,  
44 as applicable.



1 3. If insufficient time exists before a pending election to  
2 provide the notice required by subsection 2 to a registered voter, the  
3 county clerk shall execute an affidavit of cancellation and ~~file the~~  
4 ~~affidavit of cancellation with the registrar of voters' register and:~~

5 ~~—(a) In counties where records of registration are not kept by~~  
6 ~~computer, the county clerk shall~~ attach a copy of the affidavit of  
7 cancellation in the roster.

8 ~~[(b) In counties where records of registration are kept by~~  
9 ~~computer, the county clerk shall have the affidavit of cancellation~~  
10 ~~printed on the computer entry for the registration and add a copy of~~  
11 ~~it to the roster.]~~

12 4. If a voter appears to vote at the election next following the  
13 date that an affidavit of cancellation was executed for the voter  
14 pursuant to this section, the voter must be allowed to vote only if the  
15 voter furnishes:

16 (a) Official identification which contains a photograph of the  
17 voter, including, without limitation, a driver's license or other  
18 official document; and

19 (b) Satisfactory identification that contains proof of the address  
20 at which the voter actually resides and that address is consistent with  
21 the address listed on the roster.

22 5. If a determination is made pursuant to subsection 1  
23 concerning information in the registration to vote of a voter and an  
24 absent ballot or a ballot voted by a voter who resides in a mailing  
25 precinct is received from the voter, the ballot must be kept separate  
26 from other ballots and must not be counted unless the voter presents  
27 satisfactory proof to the county clerk of identity and residence  
28 before such ballots are counted on election day.

29 6. For the purposes of this section, a voter registration card  
30 does not provide proof of the:

31 (a) Address at which a person actually resides; or

32 (b) Residence or identity of a person.

33 **Sec. 18.** NRS 293.547 is hereby amended to read as follows:

34 293.547 1. After the 30th day but not later than the 25th day  
35 before any election, a written challenge may be filed with the county  
36 clerk.

37 2. A registered voter may file a written challenge if:

38 (a) He or she is registered to vote in the same precinct as the  
39 person whose right to vote is challenged; and

40 (b) The challenge is based on the personal knowledge of the  
41 registered voter.

42 3. The challenge must be signed and verified by the registered  
43 voter and name the person whose right to vote is challenged and the  
44 ground of the challenge.



1 4. A challenge filed pursuant to this section must not contain  
2 the name of more than one person whose right to vote is challenged.  
3 The county clerk shall not accept for filing any challenge which  
4 contains more than one such name.

5 5. The county clerk shall:

6 (a) ~~File the challenge in the registrar of voters' register and:~~  
7 ~~(1) In counties where records of registration are not kept by~~  
8 ~~computer, he or she shall attach~~ **Attach** a copy of the challenge to  
9 the challenged registration in the roster.

10 ~~[(2) In counties where records of registration are kept by~~  
11 ~~computer, he or she shall have the challenge printed on the~~  
12 ~~computer entry for the challenged registration and add a copy of it~~  
13 ~~to the roster.]~~

14 (b) Within 5 days after a challenge is filed, mail a notice in the  
15 manner set forth in NRS 293.530 to the person whose right to vote  
16 has been challenged pursuant to this section informing the person of  
17 the challenge. If the person fails to respond or appear to vote within  
18 the required time, the county clerk shall cancel the person's  
19 registration. A copy of the challenge and information describing  
20 how to reregister properly must accompany the notice.

21 (c) Immediately notify the district attorney. A copy of the  
22 challenge must accompany the notice.

23 6. Upon receipt of a notice pursuant to this section, the district  
24 attorney shall investigate the challenge within 14 days and, if  
25 appropriate, cause proceedings to be instituted and prosecuted in a  
26 court of competent jurisdiction without delay. The court shall give  
27 such proceedings priority over other civil matters that are not  
28 expressly given priority by law. Upon court order, the county clerk  
29 shall cancel the registration of the person whose right to vote has  
30 been challenged pursuant to this section.

31 **Sec. 19.** NRS 293.548 is hereby amended to read as follows:

32 293.548 1. A person who files a written challenge pursuant to  
33 NRS 293.547 or an affidavit pursuant to NRS 293.535 may  
34 withdraw the challenge or affidavit not later than the 25th day  
35 before the date of the election, by submitting a written request to the  
36 county clerk. Upon receipt of the request, the county clerk shall:

37 (a) Remove the challenge or affidavit from ~~[the registrar of~~  
38 ~~voters' register.]~~ any roster and any other record in which the  
39 challenge or affidavit has been filed or entered;

40 (b) If a notice of the challenge or affidavit has been mailed to  
41 the person who is the subject of the challenge or affidavit, mail a  
42 notice and a copy of the request to withdraw to that person; and

43 (c) If a notice of the challenge has been mailed to the district  
44 attorney, mail a notice and a copy of the request to withdraw to the  
45 district attorney.



1 2. If the county clerk receives a request to withdraw pursuant  
2 to subsection 1, the county clerk shall withdraw the person's  
3 challenge or affidavit.

4 **Sec. 20.** NRS 293.560 is hereby amended to read as follows:

5 293.560 1. Except as otherwise provided in NRS 293.502,  
6 293.5772 to 293.5887, inclusive, 293D.230 and 293D.300:

7 (a) For a primary or general election, or a recall or special  
8 election that is held on the same day as a primary or general  
9 election, the last day to register to vote:

10 (1) By mail is the fourth Tuesday preceding the primary or  
11 general election.

12 (2) By appearing in person at the office of the county clerk  
13 or, if open, a county facility designated pursuant to NRS 293.5035,  
14 is the fourth Tuesday preceding the primary or general election.

15 (3) ~~By computer, if the county clerk has established a~~  
16 ~~system pursuant to NRS 293.506 for using a computer to register~~  
17 ~~voters, is the Thursday preceding the primary or general election,~~  
18 ~~unless the system is used to register voters for the election pursuant~~  
19 ~~to NRS 293.5842 or 293.5847.~~

20 ~~—(4)—~~ By computer using the system established by the  
21 Secretary of State pursuant to NRS 293.671, is the Thursday  
22 preceding the primary or general election, unless the system is used  
23 to register voters for the election pursuant to NRS 293.5842 or  
24 293.5847.

25 (b) If a recall or special election is not held on the same day as a  
26 primary or general election, the last day to register to vote for the  
27 recall or special election by any method of registration is the third  
28 Saturday preceding the recall or special election.

29 2. Except as otherwise provided in NRS 293.5772 to 293.5887,  
30 inclusive, after the deadlines for the close of registration for a  
31 primary or general election set forth in subsection 1, no person may  
32 register to vote for the election.

33 3. Except for a recall or special election held pursuant to  
34 chapter 306 or 350 of NRS:

35 (a) The county clerk of each county shall cause a notice signed  
36 by him or her to be published in a newspaper having a general  
37 circulation in the county indicating:

38 (1) The day and time that each method of registration for the  
39 election, as set forth in subsection 1, will be closed; and

40 (2) If the county clerk has designated a county facility  
41 pursuant to NRS 293.5035, the location of that facility.

42 ↪ If no such newspaper is published in the county, the publication  
43 may be made in a newspaper of general circulation published in the  
44 nearest county in this State.



1 (b) The notice must be published once each week for 4  
2 consecutive weeks next preceding the day that the last method of  
3 registration for the election, as set forth in subsection 1, will be  
4 closed.

5 4. The offices of the county clerk, a county facility designated  
6 pursuant to NRS 293.5035 and other ex officio registrars may  
7 remain open on the last Friday in October in each even-numbered  
8 year.

9 5. A county facility designated pursuant to NRS 293.5035 may  
10 be open during the periods described in this section for such hours  
11 of operation as the county clerk may determine, as set forth in  
12 subsection 3 of NRS 293.5035.

13 **Sec. 21.** NRS 293.5727 is hereby amended to read as follows:

14 293.5727 1. Except as otherwise provided in this section, the  
15 Department of Motor Vehicles shall provide a paper application to  
16 preregister or register to vote to each person who:

17 (a) Applies for the issuance or renewal of any type of driver's  
18 license or identification card issued by the Department; and

19 (b) Does not apply to register to vote pursuant to NRS 293.5742.

20 2. The county clerk shall use the paper applications to  
21 preregister or register to vote which are signed and completed  
22 pursuant to subsection 1 to preregister or register ~~applicants~~ *an*  
23 *applicant* to vote or to correct ~~information in a person's previous~~  
24 ~~application to preregister or the registrar of voters' register.~~ *the*  
25 *preregistration or registration of the applicant, as applicable.* A  
26 paper application that is not signed must not be used to preregister  
27 or register or correct the preregistration or registration of the  
28 applicant.

29 3. For the purposes of this section, each employee specifically  
30 authorized to do so by the Director of the Department may oversee  
31 the completion of a paper application. The authorized employee  
32 shall check the paper application for completeness and verify the  
33 information required by the paper application. Each paper  
34 application must include a duplicate copy or receipt to be retained  
35 by the applicant upon completion of the form. The Department  
36 shall, except as otherwise provided in this subsection, forward each  
37 paper application on a weekly basis to the county clerk or, if  
38 applicable, to the registrar of voters of the county in which the  
39 applicant resides. The paper applications must be forwarded daily  
40 during the 2 weeks immediately preceding the last day to register to  
41 vote by mail pursuant to NRS 293.560 or 293C.527, as applicable.

42 4. The Department is not required to provide a paper  
43 application to register to vote pursuant to subsection 1 to a person  
44 who declines to apply to register to vote pursuant to this section and  
45 submits to the Department a written form that meets the



1 requirements of 52 U.S.C. § 20506(a)(6). Information related to the  
2 declination to apply to register to vote must not be used for any  
3 purpose other than voter registration.

4 5. The county clerk shall accept any paper application to:

5 (a) Preregister to vote at any time.

6 (b) Register to vote which is obtained from the Department of  
7 Motor Vehicles pursuant to this section and completed by the last  
8 day to register to vote by mail pursuant to NRS 293.560 or  
9 293C.527, as applicable, if the county clerk receives the paper  
10 application not later than 5 days after that date.

11 6. Upon receipt of a paper application, the county clerk or field  
12 registrar of voters shall determine whether the paper application is  
13 complete. If the county clerk or field registrar of voters determines  
14 that the paper application is complete, he or she shall notify the  
15 applicant and the applicant shall be deemed to be preregistered or  
16 registered as of the date of the submission of the paper application.  
17 If the county clerk or field registrar of voters determines that the  
18 paper application is not complete, he or she shall notify the  
19 applicant of the additional information required. The applicant shall  
20 be deemed to be preregistered or registered as of the date of the  
21 initial submission of the paper application if the additional  
22 information is provided within 15 days after the notice for the  
23 additional information is mailed. If the applicant has not provided  
24 the additional information within 15 days after the notice for the  
25 additional information is mailed, the incomplete paper application is  
26 void. Any notification required by this subsection must be given by  
27 mail at the mailing address on the paper application not more than 7  
28 working days after the determination is made concerning whether  
29 the paper application is complete.

30 7. The county clerk shall use any form submitted to the  
31 Department to correct information on a driver's license or  
32 identification card to correct information on a previous application  
33 to preregister or ~~in the registrar of voters' register,~~ register unless  
34 the person indicates on the form that the correction is not to be used  
35 for the purposes of preregistration or voter registration. The  
36 Department shall forward each such form to the county clerk or, if  
37 applicable, to the registrar of voters of the county in which the  
38 person resides in the same manner provided by subsection 3 for  
39 paper applications to preregister or register to vote.

40 8. Upon receipt of a form to correct information, the county  
41 clerk shall compare the information to that contained in the  
42 ~~[application to preregister to vote or the registrar of voters' register,~~  
43 ~~as applicable.] database created by the Secretary of State pursuant~~  
44 ~~to NRS 293.675.~~ The county clerk shall correct the information to  
45 reflect any changes indicated on the form. After making any





1 changes, the county clerk shall notify the person by mail that the  
2 records have been corrected.

3 9. The Secretary of State shall, with the approval of the  
4 Director, adopt regulations to:

5 (a) Establish any procedure necessary to provide a person who  
6 applies to preregister to vote or an elector who applies to register to  
7 vote pursuant to this section the opportunity to do so;

8 (b) Prescribe the contents of any forms or paper applications  
9 which the Department is required to distribute pursuant to this  
10 section; and

11 (c) Provide for the transfer of the completed paper applications  
12 of preregistration or registration from the Department to the  
13 appropriate county clerk.

14 **Sec. 22.** NRS 293.5732 is hereby amended to read as follows:

15 293.5732 1. The Secretary of State ~~{}~~ *and* the Department of  
16 Motor Vehicles ~~{and each county clerk}~~ shall cooperatively establish  
17 a system by which voter registration information that is collected  
18 pursuant to NRS 293.5742 by the Department from a person who  
19 submits an application for the issuance or renewal of or change of  
20 address for any type of driver's license or identification card issued  
21 by the Department must be transmitted electronically to *the*  
22 *database created by* the Secretary of State ~~{and the county clerks}~~  
23 *pursuant to NRS 293.675* for the purpose of registering the person  
24 to vote or updating the voter registration information of the person  
25 for the purpose of correcting the statewide voter registration list  
26 pursuant to NRS 293.530.

27 2. The system established pursuant to subsection 1 must:

28 (a) Ensure the secure electronic storage of information collected  
29 pursuant to NRS 293.5742, the secure transmission of such  
30 information to *the database created by* the Secretary of State ~~{and~~  
31 ~~county clerks}~~ *pursuant to NRS 293.675* and the secure electronic  
32 storage of such information ~~{by the Secretary of State and county~~  
33 ~~clerks;}~~ *in the database;*

34 (b) Provide for the destruction of records by the Department as  
35 required by subsection 2 of NRS 293.5747; and

36 (c) Enable the county clerks to receive, view and collate the  
37 information into individual electronic documents pursuant to  
38 paragraph (c) of subsection 1 of NRS 293.5742.

39 **Sec. 23.** NRS 293.5737 is hereby amended to read as follows:

40 293.5737 1. The Department of Motor Vehicles shall follow  
41 the procedures described in this section and NRS 293.5742 and  
42 293.5747 if a person applies to the Department for the issuance or  
43 renewal of or change of address for any type of driver's license or  
44 identification card issued by the Department.



1 2. Before concluding the person's transaction with the  
2 Department, the Department shall notify each person described in  
3 subsection 1:

4 (a) Of the qualifications to vote in this State, as provided by  
5 NRS 293.485;

6 (b) That, unless the person affirmatively declines in writing to  
7 apply to register to vote or have his or her voter registration  
8 information updated, as applicable:

9 (1) The person is deemed to have consented to the  
10 transmission of information to the *database created by the* Secretary  
11 of State ~~{and the county clerks}~~ *pursuant to NRS 293.675* for the  
12 purpose of registering the person to vote or updating the voter  
13 registration information of the person for the purpose of correcting  
14 the statewide voter registration list pursuant to NRS 293.530; and

15 (2) The Department will transmit to the ~~{county clerk of the~~  
16 ~~county in which the person resides}~~ *database created by the*  
17 *Secretary of State pursuant to NRS 293.675* all information  
18 required to register the person to vote pursuant to this chapter or to  
19 update the voter registration information of the person for the  
20 purpose of correcting the statewide voter registration list pursuant to  
21 NRS 293.530;

22 (c) That:

23 (1) Indicating a political party affiliation or indicating that  
24 the person is not affiliated with a political party is voluntary;

25 (2) The person may indicate a political party affiliation on a  
26 paper or electronic form provided by the Department; and

27 (3) The person will not be able to vote at a primary election  
28 or primary city election for candidates for partisan offices of a major  
29 political party unless the person updates his or her voter registration  
30 information to indicate a major political party affiliation; and

31 (d) Of the provisions of subsections 2 and 3 of NRS 293.5757.

32 3. The failure or refusal of the person to acknowledge that he  
33 or she has received the notice required by subsection 2:

34 (a) Is not a declination by the person to apply to register to vote  
35 or have his or her voter registration information updated; and

36 (b) Shall not be deemed to affect any duty of the Department,  
37 the Secretary of State or any county clerk:

38 (1) Relating to the application of the person to register to  
39 vote; or

40 (2) To update the voter registration information of the  
41 person.

42 4. The Department:

43 (a) Shall prescribe by regulation the form of the notice required  
44 by subsection 2 and the procedure for providing it; and



1 (b) Shall not require the person to acknowledge that he or she  
2 has received the notice required by subsection 2.

3 **Sec. 24.** NRS 293.5742 is hereby amended to read as follows:

4 293.5742 1. Unless the person affirmatively declines in  
5 writing to apply to register to vote or have his or her voter  
6 registration information updated, as applicable, if a person applies to  
7 the Department of Motor Vehicles for the issuance or renewal of or  
8 change of address for a driver's license or identification card issued  
9 by the Department, the Department shall collect from the person:

10 (a) A paper or electronic affirmation signed under penalty of  
11 perjury that the person is eligible to vote;

12 (b) An electronic facsimile of the signature of the person, if the  
13 Department is capable of recording, storing and transmitting to the  
14 ~~county clerk~~ *database created by the Secretary of State pursuant*  
15 *to NRS 293.675* an electronic facsimile of the signature of the  
16 person;

17 (c) Any personal information which the person has not already  
18 provided to the Department and which is required for the person to  
19 register to vote or to update the voter registration information of the  
20 person, including:

21 (1) The first or given name and the surname of the person;

22 (2) The address at which the voter actually resides as set  
23 forth in NRS 293.486 and, if different, the address at which the  
24 person may receive mail, including, without limitation, a post office  
25 box or general delivery;

26 (3) The date of birth of the person;

27 (4) Except as otherwise provided in subsection 2, one of the  
28 following:

29 (I) The number indicated on the person's current and  
30 valid driver's license or identification card issued by the  
31 Department, if the person has such a driver's license or  
32 identification card; or

33 (II) The last four digits of the person's social security  
34 number, if the person does not have a driver's license or  
35 identification card issued by the Department and has a social  
36 security number; and

37 (5) The political party affiliation, if any, indicated by the  
38 person; and

39 (d) The paper or electronic form, if any, completed by the  
40 person and indicating his or her political party affiliation.

41 2. If the person does not have the identification described in  
42 subparagraph (4) of paragraph (c) of subsection 1, the person must  
43 sign an affidavit stating that he or she does not have a current and  
44 valid driver's license or identification card issued by the Department  
45 or a social security number. Upon receipt of the affidavit, the county



1 clerk shall issue an identification number to the person which must  
2 be the same number as the unique identifier assigned to the person  
3 for the purpose of the statewide voter registration list.

4 **Sec. 25.** NRS 293.5747 is hereby amended to read as follows:

5 293.5747 1. Except as otherwise provided in this subsection,  
6 the Department of Motor Vehicles shall electronically transmit to  
7 the *database created by* Secretary of State ~~{and the appropriate~~  
8 ~~county clerk}~~ *pursuant to NRS 293.675* the information and any  
9 electronic documents collected from a person pursuant to  
10 NRS 293.5742:

11 (a) Except as otherwise provided in paragraph (b), not later than  
12 5 working days after collecting the information; and

13 (b) During the 2 weeks immediately preceding the fifth Sunday  
14 preceding an election, not later than 1 working day after collecting  
15 the information.

16 2. The Department shall destroy any record containing  
17 information collected pursuant to NRS 293.5742 that is not  
18 otherwise collected by the Department in the normal course of  
19 business immediately after transmitting the information to the  
20 *database created by the* Secretary of State ~~{and county clerk}~~  
21 pursuant to subsection 1.

22 3. The Department shall forward the following paper  
23 documents on a weekly basis to the ~~{appropriate county clerk,}~~  
24 *database created by the Secretary of State pursuant to NRS*  
25 *293.675* or daily during the 2 weeks immediately preceding the fifth  
26 Sunday preceding an election:

27 (a) Each signed affirmation collected pursuant to paragraph (a)  
28 of subsection 1 of NRS 293.5742;

29 (b) Any completed form indicating a political party affiliation  
30 collected pursuant to paragraph (d) of subsection 1 of NRS  
31 293.5742; and

32 (c) Any affidavit signed pursuant to subsection 2 of  
33 NRS 293.5742.

34 **Sec. 26.** NRS 293.5752 is hereby amended to read as follows:

35 293.5752 1. Unless the person affirmatively declines in  
36 writing to apply to register to vote or have his or her voter  
37 registration information updated, as applicable, if a person applies to  
38 the Department of Motor Vehicles for the issuance or renewal of or  
39 change of address for any type of driver's license or identification  
40 card issued by the Department:

41 (a) The person shall be deemed an applicant to register to vote.

42 (b) Any action taken by the person pursuant to NRS 293.5742  
43 shall be deemed an act of applying to register to vote.

44 (c) Upon receipt of the information collected from the person  
45 and transmitted to ~~{a county clerk}~~ *the database created by the*



1 *Secretary of State pursuant to NRS 293.675* by the Department of  
2 Motor Vehicles, the *appropriate* county clerk shall collate the  
3 information into an individual electronic document ~~{}~~ *in the*  
4 *database*, which shall be deemed an application to register to vote.

5 (d) Unless the applicant is already registered to vote, the date on  
6 which the person applies to register to vote pursuant to NRS  
7 293.5742 shall be deemed the date on which the applicant registered  
8 to vote.

9 2. If the county clerk determines that the application is  
10 complete and that the applicant is eligible to vote pursuant to  
11 NRS 293.485, *the county clerk shall ensure that* the name of the  
12 applicant ~~{must appear}~~ *appears* on the statewide voter registration  
13 list and the appropriate roster, and the person must be provided all  
14 sample ballots and any other voter information provided to  
15 registered voters. If the county clerk determines that the application  
16 is not complete, he or she shall notify the applicant that additional  
17 information is required in accordance with the provisions of  
18 NRS 293.5727.

19 3. For each applicant who applies to register to vote pursuant to  
20 NRS 293.5742:

21 (a) The electronic facsimile of the signature of the applicant  
22 shall be deemed to be the facsimile of the signature on the person's  
23 application to register to vote to be used for the comparison  
24 purposes of NRS 293.277 if ~~{~~:

25 ~~— (1) An~~ *an* electronic facsimile of the signature has been  
26 collected and transmitted ~~{to the county clerk of the county in which~~  
27 ~~the applicant resides}~~ pursuant to NRS 293.5742 and 293.5747,  
28 respectively; ~~{and~~

29 ~~— (2) The county clerk is capable of receiving, storing and~~  
30 ~~using the facsimile of the signature for that purpose;}~~ or

31 (b) If the conditions described in paragraph (a) are not met, the  
32 signature of the applicant on the affirmation signed pursuant to  
33 paragraph (a) of subsection 1 of NRS 293.5742 shall be deemed to  
34 be the signature on the person's application to register to vote for  
35 the purpose of making a facsimile thereof to be used for the  
36 comparison purposes of NRS 293.277.

37 4. If an applicant is already registered to vote, the county clerk  
38 shall use the voter registration information of the applicant  
39 transmitted by the Department of Motor Vehicles to correct the  
40 statewide voter registration list pursuant to NRS 293.530, if  
41 necessary.

42 **Sec. 27.** NRS 293.5762 is hereby amended to read as follows:

43 293.5762 1. At the time the Department of Motor Vehicles  
44 notifies a person of the qualifications to vote in this State pursuant



1 to NRS 293.5737, the Department shall provide the person with a  
2 paper form on which the person may:

3 (a) Affirmatively decline to be registered to vote or have his or  
4 her voter registration updated; and

5 (b) Elect to indicate a political party affiliation.

6 2. The form provided by the Department pursuant to  
7 subsection 1:

8 (a) Must include a notice informing the person of the  
9 information required pursuant to paragraphs (b) and (c) of  
10 subsection 2 of NRS 293.5737, and that the person may:

11 (1) Return the completed form at the end of his or her  
12 transaction with the Department by depositing the form in the  
13 secured container provided by the Department pursuant to  
14 subsection 3; or

15 (2) Use the system established by the Secretary of State  
16 pursuant to NRS 293.671 to update his or her voter registration  
17 information, including, without limitation, the person's name,  
18 address and party affiliation.

19 (b) May include any other information that the Department  
20 determines is necessary to carry out the provisions of this section.

21 3. The Department shall provide a secured container within the  
22 Department designated for the return of any form provided to a  
23 person pursuant to this section.

24 4. For the purposes of NRS 293.5742 and 293.5747:

25 (a) If a person deposits the completed form in the secured  
26 container at the end of his or her transaction with the Department  
27 and has not affirmatively declined in the form to be registered to  
28 vote or have his or her voter registration updated:

29 (1) The Department shall be deemed to have collected the  
30 information contained in the form from the person during his or her  
31 transaction with the Department; and

32 (2) The person shall be deemed to have consented to the  
33 transmission of that information and the other information and  
34 documents collected during his or her transaction with the  
35 Department to the *database created by the* Secretary of State ~~and~~  
36 ~~the appropriate county clerks~~ *pursuant to NRS 293.675* for the  
37 purpose of registering the person to vote or updating the person's  
38 existing voter registration information in order to correct the  
39 statewide voter registration list pursuant to NRS 293.530, if  
40 necessary.

41 (b) If a person does not deposit the form in the secured container  
42 at the end of his or her transaction with the Department:

43 (1) The person shall be deemed to have consented to the  
44 transmission of the information and documents collected during his  
45 or her transaction with the Department to the *database created by*



1 *the* Secretary of State ~~[and the appropriate county clerks]~~ *pursuant*  
2 *to NRS 293.675* for the purpose of registering the person to vote or  
3 updating the person's existing voter registration information in order  
4 to correct the statewide voter registration list pursuant to NRS  
5 293.530, if necessary.

6 (2) The appropriate county clerk shall list the person's  
7 political party as nonpartisan, unless the person is already a  
8 registered voter listed as affiliated with a political party in the  
9 person's existing voter registration information.

10 5. The Department may adopt regulations to carry out the  
11 provisions of this section.

12 **Sec. 28.** NRS 293.5767 is hereby amended to read as follows:

13 293.5767 1. Each county clerk shall review the voter  
14 registration information transmitted by the Department of Motor  
15 Vehicles pursuant to NRS 293.5747 and 293.5762 to determine  
16 whether the person is eligible to register to vote in this State.

17 2. If the county clerk determines that a person is not eligible to  
18 register to vote pursuant to subsection 1:

19 (a) It shall be deemed that the transmittal is not a completed  
20 voter registration application;

21 (b) It shall be deemed that the person did not apply to register to  
22 vote; ~~[and]~~

23 (c) The county clerk must reject the application *and remove the*  
24 *information transmitted by the Department of Motor Vehicles*  
25 *from the database created by the Secretary of State pursuant to*  
26 *NRS 293.675; and [may]*

27 (d) *May* not register that person to vote.

28 **Sec. 29.** NRS 293.5832 is hereby amended to read as follows:

29 293.5832 1. After the close of registration for an election  
30 pursuant to NRS 293.560 or 293C.527, a registered voter may  
31 update his or her voter registration information, including, without  
32 limitation, his or her name, address and party affiliation.

33 2. The county or city clerk shall authorize *at least one* ~~[or~~  
34 ~~more]~~ of the following methods for a registered voter to update his  
35 or her voter registration information pursuant to this section:

36 (a) A paper application; *or*

37 (b) ~~[A system established pursuant to NRS 293.506 for using a~~  
38 ~~computer to register voters; or~~

39 ~~—(c)]~~ The system established by the Secretary of State pursuant to  
40 NRS 293.671.

41 ➔ If the county or city clerk authorizes the use of ~~[more than one~~  
42 ~~method,]~~ *both methods*, the county or city clerk may limit the use of  
43 ~~[a particular]~~ *one* method to circumstances when ~~[another]~~ *the other*  
44 method is not reasonably available.



1 3. If a registered voter updates his or her voter registration  
2 information pursuant to this section and applies to vote in the  
3 election, the county or city clerk may require the voter to cast a  
4 provisional ballot in the election if any circumstances exist that give  
5 the county or city clerk reasonable cause to believe that the use of a  
6 provisional ballot is necessary to provide sufficient time to verify  
7 and determine whether the voter is eligible to cast the ballot in the  
8 election based on his or her updated voter registration information.

9 4. If a registered voter casts a provisional ballot in the election  
10 pursuant to this section, the provisional ballot is subject to final  
11 verification in accordance with the procedures that apply to other  
12 provisional ballots cast in the election pursuant to NRS 293.5772 to  
13 293.5887, inclusive.

14 **Sec. 30.** NRS 293.5842 is hereby amended to read as follows:

15 293.5842 1. Notwithstanding the close of any method of  
16 registration for an election pursuant to NRS 293.560 or 293C.527,  
17 an elector may register to vote in person at any polling place for  
18 early voting by personal appearance in the county or city, as  
19 applicable, in which the elector is eligible to vote.

20 2. To register to vote in person during the period for early  
21 voting, an elector must:

22 (a) Appear before the close of polls at a polling place for early  
23 voting by personal appearance in the county or city, as applicable, in  
24 which the elector is eligible to vote.

25 (b) Complete the application to register to vote by a method  
26 authorized by the county or city clerk pursuant to this paragraph.  
27 The county or city clerk shall authorize *at least* one ~~for more~~ of the  
28 following methods for a person to register to vote pursuant to this  
29 paragraph:

30 (1) A paper application; *or*

31 (2) ~~[A system established pursuant to NRS 293.506 for using~~  
32 ~~a computer to register voters; or~~

33 ~~—(3)]~~ The system established by the Secretary of State  
34 pursuant to NRS 293.671.

35 ↪ If the county or city clerk authorizes the use of ~~[more than one~~  
36 ~~method,]~~ *both methods*, the county or city clerk may limit the use of  
37 ~~[a particular]~~ *one* method to circumstances when ~~[another]~~ *the other*  
38 method is not reasonably available.

39 (c) Except as otherwise provided in subsection 3, provide his or  
40 her current and valid driver's license or identification card issued by  
41 the Department of Motor Vehicles which shows his or her physical  
42 address as proof of the elector's identity and residency.

43 3. If the driver's license or identification card issued by the  
44 Department of Motor Vehicles the elector does not have the  
45 elector's current residential address, the following documents may





1 be used to establish the residency of the elector if the current  
2 residential address of the elector, as indicated on his or her  
3 application to register to vote, is displayed on the document:

4 (a) A military identification card;

5 (b) A utility bill, including, without limitation, a bill for electric,  
6 gas, oil, water, sewer, septic, telephone, cellular telephone or cable  
7 television service;

8 (c) A bank or credit union statement;

9 (d) A paycheck;

10 (e) An income tax return;

11 (f) A statement concerning the mortgage, rental or lease of a  
12 residence;

13 (g) A motor vehicle registration;

14 (h) A property tax statement; or

15 (i) Any other document issued by a governmental agency.

16 4. Subject to final verification, if an elector registers to vote in  
17 person at a polling place pursuant to this section:

18 (a) The elector shall be deemed to be conditionally registered to  
19 vote at the polling place upon:

20 (1) The determination that the application to register to vote  
21 is complete; and

22 (2) The verification of the elector's identity and residency  
23 pursuant to this section.

24 (b) After the elector is deemed to be conditionally registered to  
25 vote at the polling place pursuant to paragraph (a), the elector:

26 (1) May vote in the election only at that polling place;

27 (2) Must vote as soon as practicable and before leaving that  
28 polling place; and

29 (3) Must vote by casting a provisional ballot, unless it is  
30 verified, at that time, that the elector is qualified to register to vote  
31 and to cast a regular ballot in the election at that polling place.

32 **Sec. 31.** NRS 293.5847 is hereby amended to read as follows:

33 293.5847 1. Notwithstanding the close of any method of  
34 registration for an election pursuant to NRS 293.560 or 293C.527,  
35 an elector may register to vote in person on the day of the election at  
36 any polling place in the county or city, as applicable, in which the  
37 elector is eligible to vote.

38 2. To register to vote on the day of the election, an elector  
39 must:

40 (a) Appear before the close of polls at a polling place in the  
41 county or city, as applicable, in which the elector is eligible to vote.

42 (b) Complete the application to register to vote by a method  
43 authorized by the county or city clerk pursuant to this paragraph.

44 The county or city clerk shall authorize *at least* one ~~for more~~ of the



1 following methods for a person to register to vote pursuant to this  
2 paragraph:

- 3 (1) A paper application; *or*  
4 (2) ~~[A system established pursuant to NRS 293.506 for using~~  
5 ~~a computer to register voters; or~~

6 ~~—(3)]~~ The system established by the Secretary of State  
7 pursuant to NRS 293.671.

8 ↪ If the county or city clerk authorizes the use of ~~[more than one~~  
9 ~~method.]~~ *both methods*, the county or city clerk may limit the use of  
10 ~~[a particular]~~ *one* method to circumstances when ~~[another]~~ *the other*  
11 method is not reasonably available.

12 (c) Except as otherwise provided in subsection 3, provide his or  
13 her current and valid driver's license or identification card issued by  
14 the Department of Motor Vehicles which shows his or her physical  
15 address as proof of the elector's identity and residency.

16 3. If the driver's license or identification card issued by the  
17 Department of Motor Vehicles to the elector does not have the  
18 elector's current residential address, the following documents may  
19 be used to establish the residency of the elector if the current  
20 residential address of the elector, as indicated on his or her  
21 application to register to vote, is displayed on the document:

- 22 (a) A military identification card;  
23 (b) A utility bill, including, without limitation, a bill for electric,  
24 gas, oil, water, sewer, septic, telephone, cellular telephone or cable  
25 television service;  
26 (c) A bank or credit union statement;  
27 (d) A paycheck;  
28 (e) An income tax return;  
29 (f) A statement concerning the mortgage, rental or lease of a  
30 residence;  
31 (g) A motor vehicle registration;  
32 (h) A property tax statement; or  
33 (i) Any other document issued by a governmental agency.

34 4. Subject to final verification, if an elector registers to vote in  
35 person at a polling place pursuant to this section:

36 (a) The elector shall be deemed to be conditionally registered to  
37 vote at the polling place upon:

- 38 (1) The determination that the application to register to vote  
39 is complete; and  
40 (2) The verification of the elector's identity and residency  
41 pursuant to this section.

42 (b) After the elector is deemed to be conditionally registered to  
43 vote at the polling place pursuant to paragraph (a), the elector:

- 44 (1) May vote in the election only at that polling place;



1 (2) Must vote as soon as practicable and before leaving that  
2 polling place; and

3 (3) Must vote by casting a provisional ballot.

4 **Sec. 32.** NRS 293.675 is hereby amended to read as follows:

5 293.675 1. The Secretary of State shall establish and  
6 maintain ~~[an]~~ *a centralized, top-down database that collects and*  
7 *stores information related to the preregistration of persons and the*  
8 *registration of electors from all the counties in this State. The*  
9 *Secretary of State shall ensure that the database is capable of*  
10 *storing preregistration information separately until a person is*  
11 *qualified to register to vote. Each county clerk shall use the*  
12 *database created by the Secretary of State pursuant to this*  
13 *subsection to collect and maintain all records of preregistration*  
14 *and registration to vote.*

15 2. *The Secretary of State shall use the voter registration*  
16 *information collected in the database created pursuant to*  
17 *subsection 1 to create the* official statewide voter registration list,  
18 which may be maintained on the Internet, in consultation with each  
19 county and city clerk.

20 ~~[2.]~~ 3. The statewide voter registration list must:

21 (a) Be a uniform, centralized and interactive computerized list;  
22 (b) Serve as the single method for storing and managing the  
23 official list of registered voters in this State;

24 (c) Serve as the official list of registered voters for the conduct  
25 of all elections in this State;

26 (d) Contain the name and registration information of every  
27 legally registered voter in this State;

28 (e) Include a unique identifier assigned by the Secretary of State  
29 to each legally registered voter in this State;

30 (f) Except as otherwise provided in subsection ~~[7.]~~ 8, be  
31 coordinated with the appropriate databases of other agencies in this  
32 State;

33 (g) Be electronically accessible to each state and local election  
34 official in this State at all times;

35 (h) Except as otherwise provided in subsection ~~[8.]~~ 9, allow for  
36 data to be shared with other states under certain circumstances; and

37 (i) Be regularly maintained to ensure the integrity of the  
38 registration process and the election process.

39 ~~[3.]~~ 4. Each county and city clerk shall:

40 (a) ~~[Except for information related to the preregistration of~~  
41 ~~persons to vote, electronically]~~ *Electronically* enter into the  
42 ~~[statewide voter registration list]~~ *database created pursuant to*  
43 *subsection 1* all information related to voter *preregistration and*  
44 registration obtained by the county or city clerk at the time the  
45 information is provided to the county or city clerk; and



1 (b) Provide the Secretary of State with information concerning  
2 the voter registration of the county or city and other reasonable  
3 information requested by the Secretary of State in the form required  
4 by the Secretary of State to establish or maintain the statewide voter  
5 registration list.

6 ~~{4-}~~ 5. In establishing and maintaining the statewide voter  
7 registration list, the Secretary of State shall enter into a cooperative  
8 agreement with the Department of Motor Vehicles to match  
9 information in the database of the statewide voter registration list  
10 with information in the appropriate database of the Department of  
11 Motor Vehicles to verify the accuracy of the information in an  
12 application to register to vote.

13 ~~{5-}~~ 6. The Department of Motor Vehicles shall enter into an  
14 agreement with the Social Security Administration pursuant to 52  
15 U.S.C. § 21083, to verify the accuracy of information in an  
16 application to register to vote.

17 ~~{6-}~~ 7. The Department of Motor Vehicles shall ensure that its  
18 database:

19 (a) Is capable of processing any information related to an  
20 application to register to vote, an application to update voter  
21 registration information or a request to verify the accuracy of voter  
22 registration information as quickly as is feasible; and

23 (b) Does not limit the number of applications to register to vote,  
24 applications to update voter registration information or requests to  
25 verify the accuracy of voter registration information that may be  
26 processed by the database in any given day.

27 ~~{7-}~~ 8. Except as otherwise provided in NRS 481.063 or any  
28 provision of law providing for the confidentiality of information, the  
29 Secretary of State may enter into an agreement with an agency of  
30 this State pursuant to which the agency provides to the Secretary of  
31 State any information in the possession of the agency that the  
32 Secretary of State deems necessary to maintain the statewide voter  
33 registration list.

34 ~~{8-}~~ 9. The Secretary of State may:

35 (a) Request from the chief officer of elections of another state  
36 any information which the Secretary of State deems necessary to  
37 maintain the statewide voter registration list; and

38 (b) Provide to the chief officer of elections of another state any  
39 information which is requested and which the Secretary of State  
40 deems necessary for the chief officer of elections of that state to  
41 maintain a voter registration list, if the Secretary of State is satisfied  
42 that the information provided pursuant to this paragraph will be used  
43 only for the maintenance of that voter registration list.



1     **Sec. 33.** NRS 293C.318 is hereby amended to read as follows:  
2     293C.318 1. Except as otherwise provided in this section, a  
3 registered voter who provides sufficient written notice to the city  
4 clerk may request that the registered voter receive an absent ballot  
5 for all elections at which the registered voter is eligible to vote. The  
6 written notice is effective for all elections that are conducted after  
7 the registered voter provides the written notice to the city clerk,  
8 except that the written notice is not effective for the next ensuing  
9 election unless the written notice is provided to the city clerk before  
10 the time has elapsed for requesting an absent ballot for the election  
11 pursuant to subsection 1 of NRS 293C.310.

12     2. Except as otherwise provided in this section or for an  
13 affected election that is subject to the provisions of NRS 293.8801  
14 to 293.8887, inclusive, upon receipt of the written notice provided  
15 by the registered voter pursuant to subsection 1, the city clerk shall:

16     (a) Issue an absent ballot to the registered voter for each primary  
17 city election, general city election and special city election that is  
18 conducted after the written notice is effective pursuant to  
19 subsection 1.

20     (b) Inform the county clerk of receipt of the written notice  
21 provided by the registered voter. Upon being informed of the written  
22 notice by the city clerk, the county clerk shall issue an absent ballot  
23 for each primary election, general election and special election,  
24 other than a special city election, that is conducted after the written  
25 notice is effective pursuant to subsection 1.

26     3. The city clerk must not mail an absent ballot requested by a  
27 registered voter pursuant to subsection 1 if, after the request is  
28 submitted:

29     (a) The registered voter is designated inactive pursuant to  
30 NRS 293.530;

31     (b) The county clerk cancels the registration of the person  
32 pursuant to NRS ~~293.527,~~ 293.530, 293.535 or 293.540; ~~or~~

33     (c) *The registered voter has moved to another county and the*  
34 *county clerk of that county has updated the voter's registration on*  
35 *the statewide voter registration list pursuant to NRS 293.527; or*

36     (d) An absent ballot is returned to the county clerk as  
37 undeliverable, unless the registered voter has submitted a new  
38 request pursuant to subsection 1.

39     4. The procedure authorized pursuant to this section is subject  
40 to all other provisions of this chapter relating to voting by absent  
41 ballot to the extent that those provisions are not inconsistent with  
42 the provisions of this section.

43     **Sec. 34.** NRS 293C.525 is hereby amended to read as follows:  
44     293C.525 1. Any elector who is registered to vote and has  
45 changed residence after the last preceding general city election and



1 who fails to return or never receives a postcard mailed pursuant to  
2 NRS 293.5235, 293.530 or 293.535 who moved:

3 (a) From one precinct to another within the same city must be  
4 allowed to vote in the precinct where the elector previously resided  
5 after providing an oral or written affirmation before an election  
6 board officer attesting to his or her new address.

7 (b) Within the same precinct must be allowed to vote after  
8 providing an oral or written affirmation before an election board  
9 officer attesting to his or her new address.

10 2. If an elector alleges that the records in ~~the registrar of~~  
11 ~~voters' register or~~ the roster incorrectly indicate that the elector has  
12 changed residence, the elector must be allowed to vote after  
13 providing an oral or written affirmation before an election board  
14 officer attesting that he or she continues to reside at the same  
15 address.

16 3. If an elector refuses to provide an oral or written affirmation  
17 attesting to his or her address as required by this section, the elector  
18 may only vote at the special polling place in the city in the manner  
19 set forth in NRS 293C.295.

20 **Sec. 35.** NRS 293C.527 is hereby amended to read as follows:

21 293C.527 1. Except as otherwise provided in NRS 293.502,  
22 293.5772 to 293.5887, inclusive, 293D.230 and 293D.300:

23 (a) For a primary city election or general city election, or a recall  
24 or special city election that is held on the same day as a primary city  
25 election or general city election, the last day to register to vote:

26 (1) By mail is the fourth Tuesday preceding the primary city  
27 election or general city election.

28 (2) By appearing in person at the office of the city clerk or, if  
29 open, a municipal facility designated pursuant to NRS 293C.520, is  
30 the fourth Tuesday preceding the primary city election or general  
31 city election.

32 (3) ~~[By computer, if the county clerk of the county in which~~  
33 ~~the city is located has established a system pursuant to NRS 293.506~~  
34 ~~for using a computer to register voters, is the Thursday preceding~~  
35 ~~the primary city election or general city election, unless the system~~  
36 ~~is used to register voters for the election pursuant to NRS 293.5842~~  
37 ~~or 293.5847.~~

38 ~~—(4)]~~ By computer using the system established by the  
39 Secretary of State pursuant to NRS 293.671, is the Thursday  
40 preceding the primary city election or general city election, unless  
41 the system is used to register voters for the election pursuant to NRS  
42 293.5842 or 293.5847.

43 (b) If a recall or special city election is not held on the same day  
44 as a primary city election or general city election, the last day to  
45 register to vote for the recall or special city election by any method



1 of registration is the third Saturday preceding the recall or special  
2 city election.

3 2. Except as otherwise provided in NRS 293.5772 to 293.5887,  
4 inclusive, after the deadlines for the close of registration for a  
5 primary city election or general city election set forth in subsection  
6 1, no person may register to vote for the election.

7 3. Except for a recall or special city election held pursuant to  
8 chapter 306 or 350 of NRS:

9 (a) The city clerk of each city shall cause a notice signed by him  
10 or her to be published in a newspaper having a general circulation in  
11 the city indicating:

12 (1) The day and time that each method of registration for the  
13 election, as set forth in subsection 1, will be closed; and

14 (2) If the city clerk has designated a municipal facility  
15 pursuant to NRS 293C.520, the location of that facility.

16 ↪ If no newspaper is of general circulation in that city, the  
17 publication may be made in a newspaper of general circulation in  
18 the nearest city in this State.

19 (b) The notice must be published once each week for 4  
20 consecutive weeks next preceding the day on which the last method  
21 of registration for the election, as set forth in subsection 1, will be  
22 closed.

23 4. A municipal facility designated pursuant to NRS 293C.520  
24 may be open during the periods described in this section for such  
25 hours of operation as the city clerk may determine, as set forth in  
26 subsection 3 of NRS 293C.520.

27 **Sec. 36.** NRS 293C.540 is hereby amended to read as follows:

28 293C.540 Not later than 3 days before the day on which any  
29 regular or special city election is held, the county clerk shall *use the*  
30 *database created by the Secretary of State pursuant to NRS*  
31 *293.675 to prepare and* deliver to the city clerk the official register  
32 for the city.

33 **Sec. 37.** NRS 266.022 is hereby amended to read as follows:

34 266.022 1. The county clerk shall invalidate the signature of  
35 any qualified elector if the signature is not signed in ink and dated or  
36 if the signature is executed before the notice to incorporate and the  
37 petition for incorporation are filed with the county clerk pursuant to  
38 NRS 266.018. The county clerk shall not invalidate a signature  
39 because it does not correspond exactly to the signature ~~for the~~  
40 ~~registrars of voters' register~~ *in the database created by the*  
41 *Secretary of State pursuant to NRS 293.675* if the county clerk is  
42 able to determine the identity of the signer from the signature on the  
43 petition.



1 2. A petition for incorporation must contain a number of  
2 signatures equal to at least one-third of the qualified electors within  
3 the boundaries of the city proposed to be incorporated.

4 3. The petition containing the required number of signatures  
5 must be filed with the county clerk within 90 days after the notice to  
6 incorporate is filed pursuant to NRS 266.018.

7 **Sec. 37.3.** Section 88 of chapter 546, Statutes of Nevada 2019,  
8 at page 3426 is hereby amended to read as follows:

9 Sec. 88. 1. This section becomes effective upon  
10 passage and approval.

11 2. Sections 34, 43, 84.4 and 84.6 of this act become  
12 effective:

13 (a) Upon passage and approval for the purpose of  
14 adopting any regulations, passing any ordinances and  
15 performing any other preparatory administrative tasks  
16 necessary to carry out the provisions of this act; and

17 (b) On January 1, 2020, for all other purposes.

18 3. Sections 1 to 8, inclusive, 10 to 33, inclusive, 35 to  
19 42, inclusive, 43.5 to 83, inclusive, 85, 86 and 87 of this act  
20 become effective on July 1, 2019.

21 4. Section 84 of this act becomes effective on July 1,  
22 2021.

23 5. Section 9 of this act becomes effective on January 1,  
24 ~~2022~~ 2024.

25 **Sec. 37.7.** 1. The Secretary of State shall develop a pilot  
26 program for conducting a risk-limiting audit of the results of the  
27 2022 general election.

28 2. The Secretary of State may require each county clerk to  
29 participate in the pilot program developed pursuant to subsection 1  
30 and conduct a risk-limiting audit of the results of the 2022 general  
31 election.

32 3. As used in this section, "risk-limiting audit" means an audit  
33 protocol that:

34 (a) Makes use of statistical principles and methods; and

35 (b) Is designed to limit the risk of certifying an incorrect  
36 election outcome.

37 **Sec. 38.** The provisions of NRS 354.599 do not apply to any  
38 additional expenses of a local government that are related to the  
39 provisions of this act.

40 **Sec. 39.** Notwithstanding the provisions of NRS 218D.430 and  
41 218D.435, a committee, other than the Assembly Standing  
42 Committee on Ways and Means and the Senate Standing Committee  
43 on Finance, may vote on this act before the expiration of the period  
44 prescribed for the return of a fiscal note in NRS 218D.475. This  
45 section applies retroactively from and after March 22, 2021.





1     **Sec. 39.5.** Beginning with a report that is due on January 1,  
2 2022, and ending with the submission of a final report that is due on  
3 January 1, 2024, the Secretary of State shall submit a report to the  
4 Director of the Legislative Counsel Bureau for transmittal to the  
5 Interim Finance Committee every 6 months that details the progress  
6 made by the Secretary of State in implementing the provisions of  
7 sections 1 to 37, inclusive, of this act.

8     **Sec. 40.** NRS 293.0925 and 293.511 are hereby repealed.

9     **Sec. 41.** 1. This section and sections 37.3, 37.7 and 39.5  
10 become effective upon passage and approval.

11     2. Sections 1 to 37, inclusive, 38, 39 and 40 of this act become  
12 effective:

13     (a) Upon passage and approval for the purpose of adopting any  
14 regulations and performing any other preparatory administrative  
15 tasks that are necessary to carry out the provisions of this act; and

16     (b) On January 1, 2024, for all other purposes.

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### TEXT OF REPEALED SECTIONS

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**293.0925 “Registrar of voters’ register” defined.**  
“Registrar of voters’ register” means the record of registered voters  
kept by the county clerk.

**293.511 Register or roster kept by computer to include  
certain information.** If a registrar of voters’ register or roster is  
kept by computer, the register or roster, as applicable, must include  
the name, address, precinct, political affiliation and signature or  
facsimile thereof of each voter and any additional information  
required by the county clerk.

