

ASSEMBLY BILL NO. 302—ASSEMBLYMEN HAMBRICK;  
AND SILBERKRAUS (BY REQUEST)

MARCH 13, 2015

Referred to Committee on Legislative Operations and Elections

SUMMARY—Makes various changes relating to political parties and presidential preference primary elections. (BDR 24-801)

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

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

AN ACT relating to elections; making various changes relating to political parties and presidential preference primary elections; revising provisions governing the organization and operation of major political parties; providing in certain circumstances for a presidential preference primary election to be held when requested by a major political party; requiring delegates to a national party convention to vote according to the results of the state party's presidential preference process in certain circumstances; providing penalties; and providing other matters properly relating thereto.

**Legislative Counsel's Digest:**

1 Under existing law, a major political party must: (1) hold precinct meetings in  
2 each county; (2) select delegates to the county, state and national party conventions;  
3 (3) provide certain types of notice regarding its meetings and conventions; and (4)  
4 follow certain procedural requirements when conducting its affairs. (NRS 293.130-  
5 293.163) **Sections 3.5-6** of this bill revise various aspects of the organization and  
6 operation of major political parties.

7 **Sections 3.5 and 4** authorize major political parties to adopt rules for providing  
8 notice of meetings and conventions through an Internet website or other social  
9 media. **Section 4** also provides that precinct meetings may be consolidated or held  
10 for the county at large. **Section 5** allows delegates to be selected through a  
11 nomination process instead of being selected at precinct meetings and permits the  
12 county central committee to provide for forms to be prepared and delivered  
13 electronically. **Section 6** provides that until the end of the first ballot at the national  
14 party convention, the state party's delegates are bound to vote at each stage of the



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15 presidential nomination process according to the results of the state party's  
16 presidential preference process.

17 **Sections 1-3, 31.1-31.9 and 42** of this bill authorize the state central committee  
18 of a major political party to submit a request to the Secretary of State to cause a  
19 presidential preference primary election to be held for the party in February of a  
20 presidential year. The election would be conducted on a single weekday from 8  
21 a.m. until at least 8 p.m. without any period of early voting but with voting by  
22 absent ballot. **Sections 31.9 and 42** of this bill provide that the cost of such a  
23 presidential preference primary election would be a charge against the State and  
24 must be paid from the Reserve for Statutory Contingency Account in the State  
25 General Fund.

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

1 **Section 1.** Chapter 293 of NRS is hereby amended by adding  
2 thereto a new section to read as follows:

3 *“Presidential preference primary election” means an election*  
4 *held in a presidential election year pursuant to sections 31.1 to*  
5 *31.9, inclusive, of this act to determine the preferences of the*  
6 *registered voters of a major political party regarding the party’s*  
7 *nominee for President of the United States.*

8 **Sec. 2.** NRS 293.010 is hereby amended to read as follows:  
9 293.010 As used in this title, unless the context otherwise  
10 requires, the words and terms defined in NRS 293.013 to 293.121,  
11 inclusive, *and section 1 of this act* have the meanings ascribed to  
12 them in those sections.

13 **Sec. 2.5.** NRS 293.080 is hereby amended to read as follows:  
14 293.080 **1.** “Primary election” means the election held  
15 pursuant to NRS 293.175.

16 **2.** *Except as otherwise provided in sections 31.1 to 31.9,*  
17 *inclusive, of this act, the term includes a presidential preference*  
18 *primary election.*

19 **Sec. 3.** (Deleted by amendment.)

20 **Sec. 3.5.** NRS 293.130 is hereby amended to read as follows:  
21 293.130 **1.** On the dates set by the respective state central  
22 committees in each year in which a general election is to be held, a  
23 county convention of each major political party must be held at  
24 the county seat of each county or at such other place in the county as  
25 the county central committee designates.

26 **2.** The county central committee of each major political party  
27 shall cause notice of the holding of the county convention of its  
28 party to be ~~published~~ :

29 **(a)** *Published* in one or more newspapers, if any, published in  
30 the county ~~H~~ ; *or*



1 ***(b) If consistent with the rules of the party, posted on an***  
2 ***Internet website or other social media.***

3 3. The notice must be in substantially the following form:

4  
5 NOTICE OF.....(NAME OF PARTY).....CONVENTION

6  
7 Notice is hereby given that the county Convention of the  
8 ..... Party for ..... County will be held at  
9 ..... in ....., on the .....day of the month of  
10 ..... of the year .....; that at the convention  
11 delegates to the ..... State Convention will be elected, a  
12 county central committee to serve for the ensuing 2 years will  
13 be chosen, and other party affairs may be considered; that  
14 delegates to such county convention will be chosen at  
15 .....(name of party)..... precinct meetings to be held in each  
16 voting precinct in the county on or before the .... day of the  
17 month of ..... of the year .....; and that a voting  
18 precinct is entitled to a number of delegates in proportion to  
19 the number of registered voters of the ..... Party  
20 residing in the precinct as set forth in NRS 293.133.

21  
22 County Central Committee of ..... County, Nevada

23 By ..... (Its Chair)

24 And ..... (Its Secretary)

25 **Sec. 4.** NRS 293.135 is hereby amended to read as follows:

26 293.135 1. ~~¶The~~ ***Except as otherwise provided in this***  
27 ***subsection and subsection 3 of NRS 293.137, the*** county central  
28 committee of each major political party in each county shall have a  
29 precinct meeting of the registered voters of the party residing in  
30 each voting precinct entitled to delegates in the county convention  
31 called and held on the dates set for the precinct meeting by the  
32 respective state central committees in each year in which a general  
33 election is held. ***If consistent with the rules of the party, the county***  
34 ***central committee may have precinct meetings consisting of two or***  
35 ***more precincts or may have a precinct meeting for the county at***  
36 ***large. In any year in which a presidential preference primary***  
37 ***election is held for the party, the precinct meetings may not be***  
38 ***held until after the results of that election are certified by the***  
39 ***Secretary of State pursuant to sections 31.1 to 31.9, inclusive, of***  
40 ***this act.***

41 2. ~~¶The~~ ***Each*** meeting ***regarding one or more precincts*** must  
42 be held in one of the following places in the following order of  
43 preference:

44 (a) Any public building within the precinct if the meeting is for  
45 a single precinct, or any public building which is in reasonable



1 proximity to the precincts and will accommodate a meeting of two  
2 or more precincts; or

3 (b) Any private building within the precinct or one of the  
4 precincts.

5 3. ~~{The}~~ *On the date set by the respective state central*  
6 *committees for giving notice of the precinct meetings, the* county  
7 central committee shall give notice of ~~{the}~~ *each* meeting by:

8 (a) Posting in a conspicuous place outside the building where  
9 the meeting is to be held; and

10 (b) Publishing in one or more newspapers of general circulation  
11 in the precinct, published in the county, if any are so published ~~{~~  
12 ~~on the date set for giving notice of the meeting by the respective~~  
13 ~~state central committees.}~~ *or, if consistent with the rules of the*  
14 *party, posting on an Internet website or other social media.*

15 4. The notice must be ~~{printed}~~ *prepared* in conspicuous  
16 display advertising format of not less than 10 column inches, and  
17 must include the following language, or words of similar import:

18  
19 Notice to All Voters Registered  
20 in the (State Name of Major Political Party)

21  
22 Nevada state law requires each major political party, in  
23 every year during which a general election is held, to have ~~{a}~~  
24 precinct ~~{meeting held for each precinct.}~~ *meetings*. All  
25 persons registered in the party and residing in ~~{the}~~ *your*  
26 precinct are entitled to attend the ~~{precinct meeting.}~~ *meeting*  
27 *regarding your precinct*. Delegates to your party's county  
28 convention will be elected at the meeting *regarding your*  
29 *precinct* by those in attendance. Set forth below are the time  
30 and place at which *the meeting regarding* your precinct  
31 ~~{meeting}~~ will be held, together with the number of delegates  
32 to be elected from each precinct. If you wish to participate in  
33 the organization of your party for the coming 2 years, attend  
34 *the meeting regarding* your precinct. ~~{meeting.}~~

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36 5. The notice must specify:

37 (a) The date, time and place of the meeting; ~~{and}~~

38 (b) The number of delegates to the county convention to be  
39 chosen at the meeting ~~{}~~; *and*

40 (c) *Any fees which may be charged to attend the county or*  
41 *state convention.*

42 **Sec. 5.** NRS 293.137 is hereby amended to read as follows:

43 293.137 1. ~~{Promptly}~~ *Except as otherwise provided in*  
44 *subsection 3, promptly* at the time and place appointed therefor, the  
45 ~~{mass}~~ meeting *regarding one or more precincts* must be convened



1 and organized . ~~{for each precinct}~~ If access to the premises  
2 appointed for any such meeting is not available, the meeting may be  
3 convened at an accessible place immediately adjacent thereto. The  
4 meeting must be conducted openly and publicly and in such a  
5 manner that it is freely accessible to any registered voter of the party  
6 calling the meeting who resides in *one of the {precinct} precincts*  
7 and is desirous of attending the meeting, until the meeting is  
8 adjourned. At the meeting, the delegates to which the members of  
9 the party residing in *one of the {precinct} precincts* are entitled in  
10 the party's county convention must be elected pursuant to the rules  
11 of the state central committee of ~~{that}~~ the party. In presidential  
12 election years ~~{}~~ *in which a presidential preference primary*  
13 *election is not held for the party*, the election of delegates may be a  
14 part of expressing preferences for candidates for the party's  
15 nomination for President of the United States if the rules of the party  
16 permit such conduct. The result of the election must be certified to  
17 the county convention of the party by the chair and the secretary of  
18 the meeting upon the forms specified in subsection ~~{3}~~ 5.

19 2. ~~{A}~~ *Except as otherwise provided in subsection 3, at the*  
20 *precinct meetings, the delegates and alternates to the party's*  
21 *convention must be elected. If a meeting is not held for a particular*  
22 *precinct at the location specified, that precinct must be without*  
23 *representation at the county convention unless the meeting was*  
24 *scheduled, with proper notice, and no registered voter of the party*  
25 *appeared. In that case, the meeting shall be deemed to have been*  
26 *held and the position of delegate is vacant. If a position of delegate*  
27 *is vacant, it must be filled by the designated alternate, if any. If there*  
28 *is no designated alternate, the vacancy must be filled pursuant to the*  
29 *rules of the party, if the rules of the party so provide, or, if the rules*  
30 *of the party do not so provide, the county central committee shall*  
31 *appoint a delegate from among the qualified members of the party*  
32 *residing in the precinct in which the vacancy occurred, and the*  
33 *secretary of the county central committee shall certify the appointed*  
34 *delegate to the county convention.*

35 3. *If consistent with the rules of the party, the delegates and*  
36 *alternates to the party's convention may be elected through a*  
37 *nomination process and may be chosen by precinct or at large.*  
38 *The number of delegates elected may not exceed the number*  
39 *authorized pursuant to NRS 293.133. In presidential election years*  
40 *in which a presidential preference primary election is held for*  
41 *the party, the rules must reasonably reflect the results of the*  
42 *presidential preference primary election. The results of the*  
43 *nomination process must be certified to the county convention of*  
44 *the party by the chair and the secretary overseeing the process*  
45 *upon the forms specified in subsection 5.*



1       4. *If the county central committee elects to nominate*  
2 *delegates and alternates to the party's convention pursuant to*  
3 *subsection 3, the county central committee shall give notice of the*  
4 *nomination process. The notice:*

5       (a) *May be given, without limitation, by:*

6           (1) *Publishing in one or more newspapers of general*  
7 *circulation published in the precinct or county, if any; or*

8           (2) *If consistent with the rules of the party, posting on an*  
9 *Internet website or other social media.*

10       (b) *Must include, without limitation:*

11           (1) *The name of the party;*

12           (2) *The purpose of the nomination process;*

13           (3) *The process that will be used to elect delegates and*  
14 *alternates;*

15           (4) *Any relevant dates, times or locations for the process;*

16           (5) *The number of delegates to be chosen; and*

17           (6) *Any fees which may be charged to attend the county or*  
18 *state convention.*

19       5. The county central committee shall prepare and number  
20 serially a number of certificate forms equal to the total number of  
21 delegates to be elected throughout the county, and deliver the  
22 appropriate number to ~~each precinct meeting.~~ *the precinct*  
23 *meetings.* Each certificate must be in duplicate. The original must  
24 be given to the elected delegate, and the duplicate transmitted to the  
25 county central committee. *The county central committee may*  
26 *provide for such forms to be prepared and delivered electronically*  
27 *pursuant to the rules of the party.*

28       ~~4.~~ 6. All duplicates must be delivered to the chair of the  
29 preliminary credentials committee of the county convention. Every  
30 delegate who presents a certificate matching one of the duplicates  
31 must be seated without dispute.

32       ~~5.~~ 7. Each state central committee shall adopt written rules  
33 governing, but not limited to, the following procedures:

34       (a) The selection, rights and duties of committees of a  
35 convention;

36       (b) Challenges to credentials of delegates; and

37       (c) Majority and minority reports of committees.

38       **Sec. 5.5.** NRS 293.143 is hereby amended to read as follows:

39       293.143 1. The county central committee of a major political  
40 party to be elected by the county convention of the party must  
41 consist of such number of members as may be determined by the  
42 convention, but each voting precinct, entitled to one or more  
43 delegates in the convention, is entitled to have at least one  
44 committeeman or committeewoman and no precinct may have more



1 committeemen or committeewomen than its authorized number of  
2 delegates to the county convention.

3 2. After the county convention of the party, the composition of  
4 the county central committee may be changed , *and during a*  
5 *presidential election year, must be changed*, by the county central  
6 committee to reflect changes in the organization of precincts and in  
7 the number of registered voters of the party, using the same  
8 standards adopted by the party to elect delegates to the county  
9 convention.

10 **Sec. 6.** NRS 293.163 is hereby amended to read as follows:

11 293.163 1. In presidential election years, on the call of a  
12 national party convention, but one set of party conventions and but  
13 one state convention shall be held on such respective dates and at  
14 such places as the state central committee of the party shall  
15 designate. If no earlier dates are fixed, the state convention shall be  
16 held 30 days before the date set for the national convention and the  
17 county conventions shall be held 60 days before the date set for the  
18 national convention.

19 2. Delegates to such conventions shall be selected in the same  
20 manner as prescribed in NRS 293.130 to 293.160, inclusive, and  
21 each convention shall have and exercise all of the power granted it  
22 under NRS 293.130 to 293.160, inclusive. In addition to such  
23 powers granted it, the state convention shall select the necessary  
24 delegates and alternates to the national convention of the party and,  
25 if consistent with the rules and regulations of the party, shall select  
26 the national committeeman and committeewoman of the party from  
27 the State of Nevada. *Any rule or regulation of the party governing*  
28 *the election of delegates and alternates to the national convention*  
29 *of the party, or directing the votes of delegates at the national*  
30 *convention, must reasonably reflect the results of any presidential*  
31 *preference primary election held for the party.*

32 3. *Until the end of the first ballot at the national convention*  
33 *of the party, a delegate or alternate to the national convention of*  
34 *the party is bound to vote at each stage of the presidential*  
35 *nomination process at the national convention in accordance*  
36 *with:*

37 (a) *The preference expressed by the members of the state party*  
38 *through any presidential preference process prescribed by NRS*  
39 *293.130 to 293.160, inclusive, or any presidential preference*  
40 *primary election held for the party; and*

41 (b) *Any rule or regulation of the party adopted pursuant to*  
42 *subsection 4.*

43 4. *The state central committee of the party shall adopt a rule*  
44 *or regulation of the party to govern whether the delegates or*



1 *alternates to the national convention of the party are bound to*  
2 *vote:*

3 *(a) For the presidential candidate receiving the highest*  
4 *percentage of votes during the presidential candidate selection*  
5 *process; or*

6 *(b) In a proportional manner in relation to the presidential*  
7 *preferences expressed during the presidential candidate selection*  
8 *process.*

9 *5. If a delegate violates the provisions of subsection 3, the*  
10 *delegate and the party:*

11 *(a) Shall each pay to the candidate for whom the vote of the*  
12 *delegate was bound, an amount equal to the fee paid by the*  
13 *candidate to file with the state party; or*

14 *(b) If the candidate did not pay a fee to file with the state party,*  
15 *shall each pay a civil penalty in an amount not to exceed \$1,000*  
16 *for each violation. This penalty must be recovered in a civil action*  
17 *brought in the name of the State of Nevada by the Attorney*  
18 *General in a court of competent jurisdiction. Any civil penalty*  
19 *collected pursuant to this section must be deposited by the*  
20 *Attorney General for credit to the State General Fund in the bank*  
21 *designated by the State Treasurer.*

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

23 **Sec. 8.** (Deleted by amendment.)

24 **Sec. 9.** (Deleted by amendment.)

25 **Sec. 10.** (Deleted by amendment.)

26 **Sec. 11.** (Deleted by amendment.)

27 **Sec. 12.** (Deleted by amendment.)

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

29 **Sec. 14.** (Deleted by amendment.)

30 **Sec. 15.** (Deleted by amendment.)

31 **Sec. 16.** (Deleted by amendment.)

32 **Sec. 17.** (Deleted by amendment.)

33 **Sec. 18.** (Deleted by amendment.)

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

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

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

37 **Sec. 22.** (Deleted by amendment.)

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40 **Sec. 25.** (Deleted by amendment.)

41 **Sec. 26.** (Deleted by amendment.)

42 **Sec. 27.** (Deleted by amendment.)

43 **Sec. 28.** (Deleted by amendment.)

44 **Sec. 29.** (Deleted by amendment.)

45 **Sec. 30.** (Deleted by amendment.)



1       **Sec. 31.** Chapter 298 of NRS is hereby amended by adding  
2 thereto the provisions set forth as sections 31.1 to 31.9, inclusive, of  
3 this act.

4       **Sec. 31.1.** *As used in sections 31.1 to 31.9, inclusive, of this*  
5 *act, unless the context otherwise requires, the words and terms*  
6 *defined in sections 31.15, 31.2 and 31.25 of this act have the*  
7 *meanings ascribed to them in those sections.*

8       **Sec. 31.15.** *“Party” means a major political party.*

9       **Sec. 31.2.** *“State central committee” means the state central*  
10 *committee of a party.*

11       **Sec. 31.25.** *“Working day” means a day on which the Office*  
12 *of the Secretary of State is regularly open for the transaction of*  
13 *business.*

14       **Sec. 31.3. 1.** *The Secretary of State may adopt regulations*  
15 *to carry out the provisions of sections 31.1 to 31.9, inclusive, of*  
16 *this act.*

17       **2.** *To the extent possible, the provisions of chapters 293 and*  
18 *293B of NRS governing the conduct of a primary election also*  
19 *govern the conduct of a presidential preference primary election*  
20 *and must be given effect to the extent that the provisions of*  
21 *chapters 293 and 293B of NRS do not conflict with the provisions*  
22 *of sections 31.1 to 31.9, inclusive, of this act and the regulations*  
23 *adopted by the Secretary of State to carry out those provisions.*

24       **3.** *If there is a conflict between the provisions of chapters 293*  
25 *and 293B of NRS and the provisions of 31.1 to 31.9, inclusive, of*  
26 *this act and the regulations adopted by the Secretary of State to*  
27 *carry out those provisions, the provisions of sections 31.1 to 31.9,*  
28 *inclusive, of this act and the regulations adopted by the Secretary*  
29 *of State to carry out those provisions control.*

30       **Sec. 31.4. 1.** *Except as otherwise provided in this section,*  
31 *in a presidential election year, a state central committee may*  
32 *submit a request to the Secretary of State pursuant to section 31.5*  
33 *of this act to cause a presidential preference primary election to be*  
34 *held to determine the preferences of the registered voters of the*  
35 *party regarding the party’s nominee for President of the United*  
36 *States.*

37       **2.** *If a state central committee submits a proper request to the*  
38 *Secretary of State pursuant to section 31.5 of this act and, after the*  
39 *date of the close of filing of declarations of candidacy pursuant to*  
40 *section 31.6 of this act, there are fewer than two candidates of the*  
41 *party who have filed declarations of candidacy, the Secretary of*  
42 *State shall not cause a presidential preference primary election to*  
43 *be held for the party.*

44       **Sec. 31.5. 1.** *To submit a request to the Secretary of State to*  
45 *cause a presidential preference primary election to be held for the*



1 *party, the state central committee must submit the request on a*  
2 *form prescribed by the Secretary of State not later than 5 p.m. on*  
3 *the last working day of September of the year immediately*  
4 *preceding the presidential election year.*

5 *2. Except as otherwise provided in subsection 3, the state*  
6 *central committee shall specify in its request the proposed date for*  
7 *the presidential preference primary election, which must be held*  
8 *on a single working day in February of the presidential election*  
9 *year.*

10 *3. If more than one state central committee intends to submit*  
11 *a request to the Secretary of State to cause a presidential*  
12 *preference primary election to be held in the same presidential*  
13 *election year, the state central committees shall confer and make a*  
14 *good faith effort to agree on the same proposed date before*  
15 *submitting their requests to the Secretary of State. If the state*  
16 *central committees are unable to agree on the same proposed date,*  
17 *they shall inform the Secretary of State of their disagreement in*  
18 *their requests, and the Secretary of State shall set the proposed*  
19 *date for the presidential preference primary election, which must*  
20 *be held on a single working day in February of the year of the*  
21 *presidential election.*

22 *4. If a state central committee submits a proper request to the*  
23 *Secretary of State pursuant to this section, the Secretary of State*  
24 *shall provide public notice of the proposed date for the presidential*  
25 *preference primary election and the period for filing declarations*  
26 *of candidacy pursuant to section 31.6 of this act.*

27 **Sec. 31.6.** *1. If a person who meets the qualifications to be*  
28 *a party's nominee for President of the United States wants to*  
29 *appear on the ballot for a presidential preference primary election,*  
30 *the person must file with the Secretary of State a declaration of*  
31 *candidacy on a form prescribed by the Secretary of State not*  
32 *earlier than October 1 and not later than October 15 of the year*  
33 *immediately preceding the presidential election year.*

34 *2. If, after the date of the close of filing of declarations of*  
35 *candidacy pursuant to this section, there are two or more qualified*  
36 *candidates of the party who have filed declarations of candidacy,*  
37 *the Secretary of State shall cause a presidential preference*  
38 *primary election to be held for the party.*

39 **Sec. 31.7.** *1. If the Secretary of State causes a presidential*  
40 *preference primary election to be held for a party, the Secretary of*  
41 *State shall forward to each county clerk the name of each*  
42 *candidate of the party whose name must appear on the ballot for*  
43 *the presidential preference primary election.*

44 *2. The county clerk:*



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1 (a) Shall establish polling places for voting by registered voters  
2 of the party only on the day of the presidential preference primary  
3 election and shall ensure that the polling places remain open from  
4 8 a.m. until at least 8 p.m. on that day.

5 (b) Shall provide by rule or regulation a method for a  
6 registered voter of the party to cast an absent ballot in the  
7 presidential preference primary election.

8 (c) Shall not establish any polling places for early voting by  
9 personal appearance for the presidential preference primary  
10 election, and no registered voter of the party may request to vote  
11 early for the presidential preference primary election.

12 3. Each registered voter of the party is eligible to vote at the  
13 presidential preference primary election for one candidate on the  
14 ballot as the voter's preference to be the party's nominee for  
15 President of the United States.

16 **Sec. 31.8.** 1. Immediately after a presidential preference  
17 primary election, the Secretary of State shall compile the returns  
18 for each candidate of the party whose name appeared on the  
19 ballot.

20 2. The Secretary of State shall make out and file in his or her  
21 office an abstract of the returns and shall certify the number of  
22 votes received by each candidate to:

23 (a) The state central committee; and

24 (b) The national committee if necessary to comply with the  
25 rules and regulations of the party.

26 **Sec. 31.9.** If the Secretary of State causes a presidential  
27 preference primary election to be held for a party, the cost of the  
28 election is a charge against the State and must be paid from the  
29 Reserve for Statutory Contingency Account upon recommendation  
30 by the Secretary of State and approval by the State Board of  
31 Examiners.

32 **Sec. 32.** (Deleted by amendment.)

33 **Sec. 33.** (Deleted by amendment.)

34 **Sec. 34.** (Deleted by amendment.)

35 **Sec. 35.** (Deleted by amendment.)

36 **Sec. 36.** (Deleted by amendment.)

37 **Sec. 37.** (Deleted by amendment.)

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

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

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

41 **Sec. 41.** (Deleted by amendment.)

42 **Sec. 42.** NRS 353.264 is hereby amended to read as follows:

43 353.264 1. The Reserve for Statutory Contingency Account  
44 is hereby created in the State General Fund.



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1 2. The State Board of Examiners shall administer the Reserve  
2 for Statutory Contingency Account. The money in the Account must  
3 be expended only for:

4 (a) The payment of claims which are obligations of the State  
5 pursuant to NRS 41.03435, 41.0347, 621.025, 176.485, 179.310,  
6 212.040, 212.050, 212.070, 281.174, 282.290, 282.315, 288.203,  
7 293.253, 293.405, 353.120, 353.262, 412.154 and 475.235 ~~†~~ **and**  
8 **section 31.9 of this act;**

9 (b) The payment of claims which are obligations of the State  
10 pursuant to:

11 (1) Chapter 472 of NRS arising from operations of the  
12 Division of Forestry of the State Department of Conservation and  
13 Natural Resources directly involving the protection of life and  
14 property; and

15 (2) NRS 7.155, 34.750, 176A.640, 179.225 and 213.153,  
16 ↪ except that claims may be approved for the respective purposes  
17 listed in this paragraph only when the money otherwise appropriated  
18 for those purposes has been exhausted;

19 (c) The payment of claims which are obligations of the State  
20 pursuant to NRS 41.0349 and 41.037, but only to the extent that the  
21 money in the Fund for Insurance Premiums is insufficient to pay the  
22 claims; and

23 (d) The payment of claims which are obligations of the State  
24 pursuant to NRS 535.030 arising from remedial actions taken by the  
25 State Engineer when the condition of a dam becomes dangerous to  
26 the safety of life or property.

27 3. The State Board of Examiners may authorize its Clerk or a  
28 person designated by the Clerk, under such circumstances as it  
29 deems appropriate, to approve, on behalf of the Board, the payment  
30 of claims from the Reserve for Statutory Contingency Account. For  
31 the purpose of exercising any authority granted to the Clerk of the  
32 State Board of Examiners or to the person designated by the Clerk  
33 pursuant to this subsection, any statutory reference to the State  
34 Board of Examiners relating to such a claim shall be deemed to refer  
35 to the Clerk of the Board or the person designated by the Clerk.

36 **Sec. 43.** (Deleted by amendment.)

37 **Sec. 44.** The Secretary of State shall adopt such regulations  
38 and prescribe such forms as are required by or necessary to carry out  
39 the provisions of sections 31.1 to 31.9, inclusive, of this act so that  
40 the regulations and forms are effective and available for distribution  
41 and use as soon as practicable before the next presidential election  
42 year.

43 **Sec. 45.** This act becomes effective on July 1, 2015.

