

ASSEMBLY BILL NO. 502—COMMITTEE ON  
LEGISLATIVE OPERATIONS AND ELECTIONS

MARCH 28, 2011

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Referred to Committee on Legislative Operations and Elections

SUMMARY—Revises provisions relating to ballots. (BDR 24-1112)

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

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

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AN ACT relating to elections; revising the order in which certain legislative measures appear on the ballot; and providing other matters properly relating thereto.

**Legislative Counsel's Digest:**

1 Existing law sets forth the order of listing offices, candidates and questions on a  
2 ballot. (NRS 293.268) Existing law also authorizes the Legislature to refer any  
3 measure which creates, generates or increases any revenue in any form to the  
4 people of the State at the next general election. (Nev. Const. Art. 4, § 18) This bill  
5 amends the order of items on a ballot to require that such measures referred to  
6 voters by the Legislature be placed on the ballot after the federal offices and before  
7 state offices, local offices and other ballot measures.

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

1     **Section 1.** NRS 293.268 is hereby amended to read as follows:  
2         293.268 The offices for which there are candidates, the names  
3         of the candidates therefor, and the questions to be voted upon must  
4         be printed on ballots in the following order:  
5             1. President and Vice President of the United States.  
6             2. United States Senator and Representative in Congress, in  
7         that sequence.  
8             3. ***Questions referred to the voters of the State by the  
9         Legislature pursuant to Section 18 of Article 4 of the Constitution  
10         of the State of Nevada, in consecutive order.***



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1       **4.** Governor, Lieutenant Governor, Secretary of State,  
2 Treasurer, Controller and Attorney General, in that sequence.

3       **[4.] 5.** State Senators and members of the Assembly.

4       **[5.] 6.** County and township partisan offices.

5       **[6.] 7.** Statewide nonpartisan offices.

6       **[7.] 8.** District nonpartisan offices.

7       **[8.] 9.** County nonpartisan offices.

8       **[9.] 10.** City offices:

9              (a) Mayor;

10          (b) Council members according to ward in numerical order, if  
11 no wards, in alphabetical order; and

12          (c) Municipal judges.

13       **[10.] 11.** Township nonpartisan offices.

14       **[11.] Questions]**

15       **12. Except as otherwise provided in subsection 3, questions**

16 presented to the voters of the State with advisory questions listed in  
17 consecutive order after any other questions presented to the voters  
18 of the State.

19       **[12.] 13.** Questions presented only to the voters of a special

20 district or political subdivision of the State with advisory questions  
21 listed in consecutive order after any other questions presented only  
22 to the voters of a special district or political subdivision of the State.

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