

State of Nevada - Initiative Petition – Constitutional Amendment

C-01-2019

\* Amended  
Petition

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SECRETARY OF STATE  
ELECTIONS DIVISIONS

The People of the State of Nevada do enact, as follows:

Amendments to Article IV, Sections 4 of the Nevada Constitution, in Italics-

Article IV, Section 4

1. Senators shall be chosen at the same time and places as members of the Assembly by the qualified electors of their respective districts, and their term of Office shall be two years from the day next after their election.

2. No person may be elected or appointed as a Senator who has served in that Office, or at the expiration of his current term if he is so serving will have served, 12 years or more, from any district of this State.

3. For the purpose of returning members to serve in the Senate, the State shall be divided into at least four districts of compact and contiguous territory. Each such district shall elect five Senators to serve in the Senate.

4. In all cases, each vote in the poll at an election for Senator shall be a single transferable vote. A single transferable vote is a vote that is capable of being given so as to rank the voter's order of preference for the candidates for election as Senators for the district; and is capable of being transferred to the next choice when the vote is not needed to give a prior choice the necessary quota of votes, or when a prior choice is eliminated from the list of candidates because of a deficiency in the number of votes given for him. The method used to declare a Senator elected shall be provided by law and shall conform to the criteria set forth in this Section.

5. A candidate for Senator shall be a resident of the state for at least one year next preceding the general election.

6. No political party that is qualified to nominate electors for President of the United States according to the laws of this State shall limit its nominations to less than three candidates for Senator in any district.

## DESCRIPTION OF EFFECT

If passed, this amendment will change the election and composition of the Nevada Senate. The end goal is to increase the number of effective political parties in the Nevada Senate, increase the viability of candidates that are not affiliated with any political party, and decrease the amount of money that a candidate needs to spend on advertising in order to have a viable campaign. This will also end the unnecessary duplicate structure in the Nevada Legislature, as having two legislative chambers that are identical in manner of selection will result in two identical bodies. This will also lower the cost in time of redistricting, as multi-member districts are easier to realign following population changes.

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Place Affidavit on last page of document.

**THE FOLLOWING AFFIDAVIT MUST BE COMPLETED AND SIGNED:**

## AFFIDAVIT OF CIRCULATOR

(TO BE SIGNED BY CIRCULATOR)

STATE OF NEVADA )

COUNTY OF \_\_\_\_\_ )

I, \_\_\_\_\_, (print name), being first duly sworn under penalty of perjury, depose and say: (1) that I reside at \_\_\_\_\_  
(print street, city and state); (2) that I am 18 years of age or older; (3) that I personally circulated this document; (4) that all signatures were affixed in my presence; (5) that the number of signatures affixed thereon is \_\_\_\_\_; and (6) that each person who signed had an opportunity before signing to read the full text of the act or resolution on which the initiative or referendum is demanded.

Signature of Circulator

Subscribed and sworn to or affirmed before me this \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, \_\_\_\_\_, by \_\_\_\_\_

Notary Public or person authorized to administer oath  
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