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The Honorable Steve Yeager Speaker of the Nevada State Assembly 401 South Carson Street Carson City, Nevada 89701

Re: Assembly Bill 237 of the 83rd Legislative Session

Dear Speaker Yeager:

I am forwarding to you, for filing within the time limit set forth in the Nevada Constitution and without my approval, Assembly Bill 237 ("AB 237"), which is titled as follows:

AN ACT relating to counties; authorizing any county in this State to create the office of registrar of voters; and providing other matters properly relating thereto.

AB 237 is an unnecessary piece of legislation. Under current law, in counties with populations of less than 100,000, every four years the people come together to elect a Clerk they trust to run their elections. County Clerks from many of the counties implicated by this bill indicated that they need better access to supportive resources for elections. Creating a separate office in counties to duplicate tasks currently managed by county clerks would necessarily divide resources. This division of resources would only serve to exacerbate those clerks' resource concerns at the taxpayer's expense.

Since AB 237 would intensify existing resource concerns and deprive the people of the opportunity to choose their elections official, I cannot support it.

For these reasons, I veto this bill and return it without my signature or approval.

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Respectfully submitted,

JOE LOMBARDO

Governor of Nevada

Enclosure

CC: The Honorable Stavros Anthony, President of the Senate (without enclosure)
The Honorable Nicole Cannizzaro, Senate Majority Leader (without enclosure)
The Honorable Francisco Aguilar, Secretary of State (without enclosure)
Brendan Bucy, Secretary of the Senate (without enclosure)
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