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# Office of the Governor

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The Honorable Francisco Aguilar  
Nevada Secretary of State  
401 South Carson Street  
Carson City, Nevada 89701

**Re: Senate Bill 422 of the 83rd Legislative Session**

Dear Secretary of State Aguilar:

I am forwarding to you, for filing within the time limit set forth in the Nevada Constitution and without my approval, Senate Bill 422 ("SB 422"), which is titled as follows:

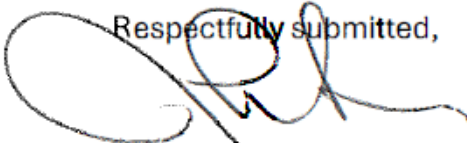
AN ACT relating to elections; revising provisions relating to certain deadlines relating to automatic voter registration; revising provisions relating to voter registration during certain periods preceding an election; requiring the Department of Motor Vehicles to have extended hours of operation in certain counties during certain periods preceding the deadline to register to vote by mail for certain elections and following the day of certain elections; prohibiting, in certain counties, the Department from requiring an appointment to obtain a driver's license or identification card during certain periods; and providing other matters properly relating thereto.

While the goals of timely voter registration and verification are important, SB 422 raises serious concerns about election integrity and voter security. By permitting voters to cast provisional ballots based on a written affirmation and submit proof of residency after Election Day, the bill weakens safeguards that ensure only eligible individuals participate in elections. Delaying verification until after votes are cast undermines the ability of election officials to confirm voter eligibility in real time. This approach increases the risk of improper voting and could erode public trust in the electoral process. Election security depends on clear, consistent, and verifiable standards before ballots are cast and counted—not after. Moreover, because existing federal law allows certain non-citizens with lawful status to obtain a REAL ID, simply requiring a REAL ID or similar identification

does not fully ensure that only eligible citizens are registering to vote. This is an untenable result.

Because SB 422 poses a serious risk to the integrity of Nevada's elections, I cannot support it.

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

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 Steve Yeager, Speaker of the Assembly (without enclosure)  
Brendan Bucy, Secretary of the Senate (without enclosure)  
Bonnie Borda Hoffecker, Chief Clerk of the Assembly (without enclosure)  
Diane Thornton, Legislative Counsel Bureau, Director (without enclosure)  
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