

2012

*NEVADA ELECTION CALENDAR – Initiative & Referendum*

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Nevada Revised  
Statutes (unless  
otherwise noted)

AUG. 1, 2011	<b><u>REFERENDUM PETITION</u></b> – (not earlier than August 1 <sup>st</sup> of the year before the election is to be held) First day a copy of a state referendum can be filed with the Secretary of State prior to circulation.	Nevada Constitution Art. 19, Sec. 1
SEPT. 1, 2011	<b><u>INITIATIVE PETITION TO AMEND THE NEVADA CONSTITUTION</u></b> - (not earlier than September 1 <sup>st</sup> of the year before the year in which the election is to be held) First day a copy of an initiative to amend the Nevada Constitution can be filed with the Secretary of State prior to circulation.	Nevada Constitution Art. 19, Sec. 2(4)
JAN. 1, 2012	<b><u>INITIATIVE PETITION PROPOSING A NEW STATE STATUTE OR TO AMEND AN EXISTING STATE STATUTE</u></b> - (not earlier than January 1 <sup>st</sup> of the year preceding the year in which a regular session of the legislature is held) First day a copy of an initiative petition proposing a new state statute or an amendment to an existing state statute can be filed with the Secretary of State prior to circulation.	Nevada Constitution Art. 19, Sec. 2(3)
JUNE 19, 2012	<b><u>STATE REFERENDUM</u></b> – (not later than 3 <sup>rd</sup> Tuesday in June of an even numbered year) Last day to submit to County Clerk or Registrar of Voters for signature verification petition to have any statute or resolution enacted by the Legislature submitted to referendum vote of the people. All documents of the petition must be submitted at the same time.	295.056(4)
JUNE 19, 2012	<b><u>INITIATIVE TO AMEND CONSTITUTION</u></b> – (not later than the 3 <sup>rd</sup> Tuesday in June of an even numbered year) Last day to submit to County Clerk or Registrar of Voters for signature verification, petition proposing an amendment to the constitution. All documents of the petition must be submitted at the same time.	295.056(3)
JUNE 29, 2012	<b><u>COUNTY REFERENDUM</u></b> – (not later than 130 days before next succeeding General Election) Last day to file a County referendum petition with the County Clerks for signature verification.	295.140(2)
JULY 9, 2012	<b><u>COUNTY CLERK OR REGISTRAR OF VOTERS TO FILE VERIFIED STATE REFERENDUM PETITION</u></b> – (not less than 120 days before the next succeeding general election) Last day County Clerk or Registrar of Voters shall file a verified state referendum petition with the Secretary of State.	295.045(2)

AUG. 8, 2012	<p><b><u>COUNTY CLERKS/REGISTRARS OF VOTERS</u>– (90 days before General Election)</b></p> <p>After completions of signature verification commencing June 19, last day a County Clerk or Registrar of Voters may file with the Secretary of State an initiative petition amending the Nevada Constitution</p>	Nevada Constitution, Art. 19, Sec. 2(4)
OCT. 1, 2012	<p><b><u>PUBLISH CONSTITUTIONAL AMENDMENTS AND STATEWIDE MEASURES</u> – (on or before the 1<sup>st</sup> Monday in October and 2 additional times at intervals of no less than 7 days)</b></p> <p>On or before this date, the County Clerk or Registrar of Voters shall cause to be published for the first time, in a newspaper of general circulation, the full text, condensation explanation, arguments, rebuttals, and fiscal notes of any constitutional amendment or measure. If no such newspaper is published in the county, the publication may be made in a newspaper of general circulation published in the nearest county in the State.</p>	293.253(3)
OCT. 8, 2012	<p><b><u>PUBLISHING CONSTITUTIONAL AMENDMENTS AND STATEWIDE MEASURES</u> - (to be published in the county at intervals of not less than 7 days, the first publication to be on or before 1<sup>st</sup> Monday in October)</b></p> <p>On this date, County Clerk or Registrar of Voters shall cause to be published for the second time, in a newspaper of general circulation, the full text, condensation, explanation, arguments, rebuttals and fiscal notes of any constitutional amendment or measure. If no such newspaper is published in the county, the publication may be made in a newspaper of general circulation published in the nearest county in the State.</p>	293.253(3)
OCT. 15, 2012	<p><b><u>PUBLISHING CONSTITUTIONAL AMENDMENTS AND STATEWIDE MEASURES</u> - (to be published in the county at intervals of not less than 7 days, the first publication to be on or before 1<sup>st</sup> Monday in October)</b></p> <p>On this date, County Clerk or Registrar of Voters shall cause to be published for the third time, in a newspaper of general circulation, the full text, condensation, explanation, arguments, rebuttals and fiscal notes of any constitutional amendment or measure. If no such newspaper is published in the county, the publication may be made in a newspaper of general circulation published in the nearest county in the State.</p>	293.253(3)
NOV. 13, 2012	<p><b><u>INITIATIVE PETITION TO PROPOSE A NEW STATUTE OR AMEND AN EXISTING ONE</u> - (not later than the 2<sup>nd</sup> Tuesday in November of an even-numbered year)</b></p> <p>Last date to submit a statutory initiative petition to the County Clerk or Registrar of Voters for verification of signatures.</p>	295.056(2)

**JAN. 5, 2013**

**FILING OF INITIATIVE PETITION TO PROPOSE NEW  
STATUTE OR AMEND EXISTING STATUTE - (not less than 30  
days before a regular session of the Legislature)**

Last day for County Clerk or Registrar of Voters to file an initiative  
petition with the Secretary of State after signature verification.

**Nevada  
Constitution  
Art. 19, Sec. 2(3)**