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Assembly Committee on Legislative Operations and Elections

401 S. Carson Street, Room 3142

Carson City, NV 89701

Subject: Support Testimony for AB148

Good afternoon, Chair Mosca and Members of the Committee:

For the record, my name is Ryan Vortisch—that's spelled R-Y-A-N, last name V-O-R-T-I-S-C-H, and I am the Northern Nevada Coordinator of Silver State Voices. I'm here to testify in support of AB148 on behalf of my organization and the Let Nevadans Vote coalition.

We view AB148 as a positive step toward decreasing confusion around the vote-by-mail process. In the 2024 general election, almost 45% of Nevada voters used mail to cast their ballots¹; however, multiple counties experienced delays in sending out voters' sample ballots. This created confusion surrounding which ballot was the "official" ballot.

As an organization that works on voter education and get-out-the-vote efforts, we receive questions from voters about when they will receive their sample and mail ballots. AB148 would help all Nevada voters know what to expect and when to expect official elections-related mail from their county registrar or clerk. Many in-person voters also prefer bringing their sample ballot to the polls to use as a reference. They would appreciate as much time as possible with their sample ballot so they may do their research before heading to the polls.

We thank Assemblymember Hafen and Speaker Yeager for sponsoring this bill, and we urge the committee to support AB148.

Thank you,

Ryan Vortisch

Northern Nevada Coordinator

Silver State Voices

¹ <https://silverstateelection.nv.gov/vote-turnout/>