

Down ticket primary races take shape in Nev.

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If the success of Donald Trump and Bernie Sanders is any indication, this could be the year of the outsider in American politics. But will the anti-establishment sentiment that has fueled their campaigns trickle down to statewide and local elections in Nevada?

That's one of several key questions that will be answered in the run up to the June 14 primary election. Early voting kicked off Saturday, with a number of offices from school boards to Congress hanging in limbo.

The Nevada primary also is expected to be a reckoning over a \$1.4 billion tax package passed by the 2015 Legislature, and some incumbent Republicans already have been fighting to justify their votes in favor. To top it off, the outcome likely will be decided by a fraction of Nevada's electorate; historically poor turnout is expected, so a small number of votes could mean the difference between a candidate's victory or loss.

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