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Notice of Workshop to Solicit Comments on Proposed Regulation

The **Commission on Professional Standards** is proposing regulation language pertaining to the Nevada Administrative Code (NAC). The Workshop has been scheduled for **Wednesday, December 15, 2021**, via [Livesize](https://livesize.com), and at the following locations: **Nevada Department of Education Offices, 700 East Fifth Street, Board Room, Carson City and 2080 East Flamingo Road, Room 114, Las Vegas, Nevada**. The purpose of the Workshop is to solicit comments from interested persons on the following general topics to be addressed in a proposed regulation:

9:05 A.M. Workshop to Solicit Comments on Proposed Amendments to NAC Chapter 391.120 – qualifications for license and qualifications for license with endorsement in career and technical education; NAC Chapter 391.125 – endorsement for recognized field of teaching, field of specialization or area of concentration; NAC Chapter 391.1312 – requirements and restrictions on hours of credit for certain subjects; NAC Chapter 391.252 – endorsement to teach Junior Reserve Officers' Training Corps Program; and NAC Chapter 391.315 – endorsement to serve as school psychologist: general qualifications and renewal.

A copy of all materials relating to the proposal may be obtained at the workshop, on the Nevada Department of Education Regulation Workshops and Public Hearings [Meeting Materials](#) page, by contacting Dylan Fuson, Board Secretary, Nevada Department of Education, via email at NVBoardED@doe.nv.gov, by telephone at 775-687-9224, or in person at the Nevada Department of Education, 700 E. Fifth Street, Carson City, Nevada, 89701. Persons wishing to comment upon the proposed action of the Commission on Professional Standards may provide in-person testimony, submit written comment to the Commission on Professional Standards via email at NVBoardED@doe.nv.gov, or submit their comments, data, views, or arguments in written form to the Commission on Professional Standards, Nevada Department of Education, 700 E. Fifth Street, Carson City, Nevada, 89701. Comments may be submitted via email leading up to and for the duration of the workshop, and those submitted via mail must be received by the Department on or before Tuesday, December 14, 2021

This notice has been sent to all persons on the agencies mailing list for administrative regulations and the Commission on Professional Standards, and posted on the Nevada Department of Education's website at <https://doe.nv.gov>, Nevada's Public Notice site at <https://notice.nv.gov>, the Nevada State Legislature's webpage at <https://leg.state.nv.us>, and physically at the Nevada Department of Education Offices and with Nevada State Library and Archives. Copies of this notice will also be emailed and/or mailed to members of the public upon request.

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SMALL BUSINESS IMPACT STATEMENT
PURSUANT TO NRS 233B.0608

DATE: December 15, 2021

RE: Workshop to Solicit Comments on Proposed Amendments to NAC Chapter 391.120 – qualifications for license and qualifications for license with endorsement in career and technical education; NAC Chapter 391.125 – endorsement for recognized field of teaching, field of specialization or area of concentration; NAC Chapter 391.1312 – requirements and restrictions on hours of credit for certain subjects; NAC Chapter 391.252 – endorsement to teach Junior Reserve Officers’ Training Corps Program; and NAC Chapter 391.315 – endorsement to serve as school psychologist: general qualifications and renewal.

I, Jhone M. Ebert, being the duly appointed Superintendent of Public Instruction of the Nevada Department of Education, do hereby certify, to the best of my knowledge or belief:

1. The proposed regulation regarding career and technical education endorsements is not likely to impose a direct or significant economic burden upon a small business, or (b) directly restrict the formation, operation or expansion of a small business.
2. A concerted effort was made to determine any economic burden.
3. All relevant materials were reviewed, and the Department considered its history with implementing similar regulations; the proposed changes are within the scope of the Department’s activities and present no significant cost of enforcement.
4. Comment has not been solicited from small businesses, and no summary of their response is provided, because small businesses are not impacted by this regulation and thus no burden or adverse economic impact can be assessed.

I hereby further certify that, to the best of my knowledge or belief, a concerted effort was made to determine the impact of the regulation on small businesses and that the information contained in this statement was prepared properly and is accurate.

Respectfully submitted,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Jhone M. Ebert".

Jhone M. Ebert
Superintendent of Public Instruction

**PROPOSED REGULATION OF THE COMMISSION ON
PROFESSIONAL STANDARDS IN EDUCATION**

LCB File No. R113-20

July 2, 2021

EXPLANATION – Matter in *italics* is new; matter in brackets ~~omitted material~~ is material to be omitted.

AUTHORITY: §§ 1-4, NRS 391.019.

A REGULATION relating to education; revising provisions relating to requirements for obtaining certain licenses; revising provisions relating to requirements for obtaining certain endorsements; repealing provisions related to semester hours of credit for certain majors or minors; repealing provisions related to requirements for obtaining an endorsement to teach pupils in the Junior Reserve Officers' Training Corps Program; and providing other matters properly relating thereto.

Legislative Counsel's Digest:

Existing law requires the Commission on Professional Standards in Education to adopt regulations that prescribe qualifications for licensing teachers and other educational personnel. (NRS 391.019) Existing regulations require a person seeking a secondary license to complete 8 semester hours of supervised teaching, among other requirements. Existing regulations authorize certain persons who have 3 years of teaching experience to forego the requirement to complete 8 semester hours of supervised teaching and instead require such persons to complete 8 semester hours of coursework in certain courses relating to secondary education. (NAC 391.120) **Section 1** of this regulation removes the requirement to complete 8 semester hours of coursework in certain courses relating to secondary education for such persons.

Existing regulations establish requirements to receive or renew an endorsement as a school psychologist, including, without limitation, holding a graduate degree from an accredited institution or receiving a certificate or certificate of renewal as a nationally certified school psychologist from the National School Psychology Certification System of the National Association of School Psychologists. (NAC 391.315) **Section 3** of this regulation requires a person seeking an endorsement as a school psychologist to hold a master's or more advanced degree from a regionally accredited institution. **Section 3** clarifies that a certificate or certificate of renewal as a nationally certified school psychologist may be issued by the National School Psychology Certification System of the National Association of School Psychologists or its successor organization.

Existing regulations establish required amounts of semester hours of credit in certain courses to receive certain secondary licenses or endorsements. (NAC 391.1312) Existing regulations establish requirements to receive an endorsement to teach pupils in the Junior Reserve Officers' Training Corps Program. (NAC 391.252) **Section 4** of this regulation repeals

those provisions, and **section 2** of this regulation makes a conforming change relating to the repeal of those provisions.

Section 1. NAC 391.120 is hereby amended to read as follows:

391.120 1. Except as otherwise provided in subsection 5 or for a person who is applying for a secondary license pursuant to subsection 2, to receive a secondary license, a person must hold a bachelor's degree and have completed:

- (a) A program of preparation for teaching in the secondary grades approved by the Board pursuant to NAC 391.557 and 391.558;
- (b) Courses approved by the Board pursuant to NAC 391.082; or
- (c) Twenty-two semester hours of courses in secondary education, as follows:
 - (1) Except as otherwise provided in subsection 3, 8 semester hours of supervised teaching;
 - (2) A course in the methods and materials of teaching a field of specialization; and
 - (3) Any other courses in secondary education approved by the Commission.

2. Except as otherwise provided in subsection 5, to receive a secondary license with an endorsement in career and technical education, a person must hold a bachelor's degree in education with a major or minor in career and technical education or a bachelor's degree that is aligned to a subject area for which the board of trustees of a school district may offer a program of career and technical education pursuant to NAC 389.803 and:

- (a) Have completed 23 semester hours of credit as follows:
 - (1) Except as otherwise provided in subsection 3, 8 semester hours of supervised teaching;
 - (2) Except as otherwise provided in subsection 4, 3 semester hours in the methods of teaching career and technical education;
 - (3) Except as otherwise provided in subsection 4, 3 semester hours in secondary curriculum and instruction;

- (4) Three semester hours in career development and work-based learning;
 - (5) Three semester hours in management of pupil organization in career and technical education; and
 - (6) Any other courses in secondary education approved by the Commission;
- (b) Complete 1 year of verifiable work experience, which may be paid or unpaid, in a business, industry or agency that is aligned to a subject area for which the board of trustees of a school district may offer a program of career and technical education pursuant to NAC 389.803; and
- (c) Hold a valid license issued by a licensing authority of this State in the area of career and technical education for which the person is applying for an endorsement if such a license is required by state law.

3. If a person who is licensed pursuant to this chapter is applying for an additional license pursuant to NRS 391.0315 and the person has 3 years of verified teaching experience, the person is not required to complete the 8 semester hours of supervised teaching required by subsection 1 or 2, as applicable. ~~†, but must fulfill those 8 semester hours by completing additional courses in secondary education approved by the Commission.†~~

4. An applicant for an endorsement in career and technical education who holds a valid secondary license is exempt from the requirements of subparagraphs (2) and (3) of paragraph (a) of subsection 2.

5. An applicant for a secondary license who holds a valid license to teach elementary education, early childhood education, special education or middle school or junior high school education and who has previously satisfied the requirements of subsection 1 or 2, as applicable,

or has completed comparable course work as determined by the Department, is not required to satisfy the requirements again to receive a secondary license.

Sec. 2. NAC 391.125 is hereby amended to read as follows:

391.125 1. A secondary license which is endorsed for a recognized field of teaching authorizes the holder to teach in the subject area of the endorsement in a high school.

2. The Superintendent of Public Instruction may issue an endorsement on a secondary license in a field of specialization or area of concentration to an applicant who:

(a) Except as otherwise provided in subsection 2 of NAC 391.120, has completed a major or minor in the field of specialization or area of concentration, as described in NAC 391.1301 to ~~391.1312,~~ **391.13105**, inclusive; or

(b) Has passed, at the level of competence specified by the Department, a competency examination approved by the Department on the subject matter of the field of specialization or area of concentration.

3. The endorsement is based upon the field of specialization or area of concentration in which the applicant has demonstrated proficiency.

Sec. 3. NAC 391.315 is hereby amended to read as follows:

391.315 1. To qualify for an endorsement to serve as a school psychologist, a person must:

(a) Have accomplished each of the following:

(1) Hold a ~~graduate~~ **master's or more advanced** degree from ~~an~~ **a regionally** accredited institution;

(2) Have preparation in school psychology;

- (3) Have successfully completed the areas of study listed in NAC 391.316;
- (4) Have earned 60 semester hours of graduate credits in the areas of study listed in NAC 391.316 and 391.317; and
- (5) Have completed an internship in school psychology as provided in NAC 391.319;
- (b) Hold a certificate as a nationally certified school psychologist issued by the National School Psychology Certification System of the National Association of School Psychologists ~~†~~, *or its successor organization*; or
- (c) Have completed a program approved by the Board which prepares a person to be a school psychologist.

2. To renew an endorsement to serve as a school psychologist, the holder of the endorsement must:

- (a) Comply with the provisions of NAC 391.065; or
- (b) Hold a certificate of renewal as a nationally certified school psychologist issued by the National School Psychology Certification System of the National Association of School Psychologists ~~†~~, *or its successor organization*.

Sec. 4. NAC 391.1312 and 391.252 are hereby repealed.

TEXT OF REPEALED SECTIONS

391.1312 Restrictions on hours of credit for certain subjects. (NRS 385.080, 391.019)

1. The semester hours of credit required for a major listed in subsections 25 and 26 of NAC 391.131 must include 15 semester hours in courses normally given to juniors or seniors.
2. The semester hours of credit required for a minor listed in the paragraphs identified in subsection 1 must include 5 semester hours in courses normally given to juniors or seniors.
3. The semester hours of credit required for a major listed in subsections 19, 25 and 26 of NAC 391.131 must not include any semester hours in freshman English. Eighteen of the semester hours must be in courses normally given to juniors or seniors.
4. The semester hours of credit required for a minor in reading must not include any semester hours in freshman English. Nine of the semester hours of credit must be in courses normally given to juniors or seniors.

391.252 Endorsement to teach Junior Reserve Officers' Training Corps Program. (NRS 391.019)

1. To receive an endorsement to teach pupils in the Junior Reserve Officers' Training Corps Program developed pursuant to 10 U.S.C. § 2031, a person must have received, from the secretary of the military branch he or she serves in or has retired from, certification as an instructor in the Program.

2. The holder of an endorsement to teach pupils in the Junior Reserve Officers' Training Corps Program may teach the course only in grades 7 to 12, inclusive.

3. An endorsement to teach pupils in the Junior Reserve Officers' Training Corps Program is not required to teach the course.