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Notice of Intent to Act Upon a Regulation

Notice of Hearing for the Adoption of Regulations of the Commission on Professional Standards in Education
as proposed in LCB File #R100-25

The Commission on Professional Standards in Education will hold a public hearing **at 9:05 A.M. on Wednesday, February 18, 2026** via [livestream](#) and at the following locations: **Old Assembly Room, Nevada State Capital, 101 N. Carson Street, Carson City, NV 89701** and **Nevada Department of Education, 2080 East Flamingo Road, Suite 114, Las Vegas, NV 89119**. The purpose of the hearing is to receive comments from all interested persons regarding repeal of regulations pertaining to Chapter 391.XXX and 391.057 of the Nevada Administrative Code (NAC) pursuant to the Nevada Revised Statute (NRS) 391.019 and 391.032.

The following information is provided pursuant to the requirements of Nevada Revised Statute (NRS) 233B.0603:

- 1. The need and the purpose of the proposed regulations and/or amendments:** In accordance with NRS 391.019, the Commission on Professional Standards in Education shall adopt regulations:
 - *Prescribing the qualifications for licensing teachers and other educational personnel and the procedures for the issuance and renewal of those licenses.*

NRS 391.032, the Commission on Professional Standards in Education shall adopt regulations:

- *Providing for the issuance of provisional licenses to teachers and other educational personnel before completion of all courses of study or other requirements for a license in this State.*

- 2. Description of the proposed regulation, or the subjects and issues involved:** The proposed regulation relating to educational personnel; requiring qualified providers of a program for an alternative route to licensure to accept certain holders of an alternative provisional license who have been reassigned to a new teaching position into the program for the endorsement area required for the new position; requiring such holders to apply for a new alternative provisional license; providing for the issuance of a new alternative provisional license under such circumstances; and providing other matters properly relating thereto. This regulation will allow for an additional pathway for educators to change endorsement areas.

- 3. The revised text of the proposed regulation is attached to this notice.**
- 4. Estimated economic effect of the regulation on the business which it is to regulate and on the public:** There is no economic effect of the regulation on the business that it regulates and no impact on the public.

5. **Methods used by the agency in determining the impact on a small business:** Small business are not impacted by this regulation.
6. **The estimated cost to the agency for enforcement of the proposed regulation:** No costs.
7. **Description and citation of duplicative or overlapping regulations of other state or local governmental agencies:** There is no duplication or overlap of regulations of state or local government agencies.
8. **Is the regulation required by federal law?** This regulation is not required pursuant to federal law.
9. **Does the regulation include provisions more stringent than a federal regulation regarding the same activity?** There is no federal law affecting or overlapping the proposed regulations.
10. **Does the proposed regulation establish a new fee or increase an existing fee?** The proposed regulation does not establish a new fee or increase an existing fee.

A copy of all materials relating to the proposed regulation may be obtained at the hearing, on the [Commission on Professional Standards in Education webpage](#), by contacting the Commission on Professional Standards in Education, Nevada Department of Education, via email at COPS@doe.nv.gov, by telephone at (702) 668-4317 or in person at the Nevada Department of Education, 2080 E. Flamingo Rd. Las Vegas, Nevada. Persons wishing to comment upon the proposed action of the Commission on Professional Standards in Education may provide in- person testimony, submit written comment to the Commission on Professional Standards in Education via email at COPS@doe.nv.gov, or submit their comments, data, views, or arguments in written form to the Commission on Professional Standards in Education, Nevada Department of Education, 2080 E. Flamingo Rd. Las Vegas, Nevada. Comments may be submitted via email leading up to and for the duration of the meeting, and those submitted via mail must be received by the Commission on or before **Friday, February 13, 2026**. A record of all submitted comments will be retained, and the Commission will proceed to consider any public comment received.

This notice and the text of the proposed regulation has been sent to all persons on the agencies mailing list for the Commission on Professional Standards in Education, posted on the [Commission on Professional Standards in Education](#) webpage, [Nevada's Public Notice](#) webpage, the [Nevada State Legislature's Administrative Regulations notices](#) webpage, available in the State of Nevada Register of Administrative Regulations pursuant to NRS 233B.0653, and physically posted at the Nevada Department of Education Offices. Copies of this notice will also be emailed and/or mailed to members of the public upon request.

Notice required by NRS 233B.064: Upon adoption of any regulation, the agency, if requested to do so by an interested person, either before adoption or within 30 days thereafter, will issue a concise statement of the principal reasons for and against its adoption and incorporate therein its reason for overruling the consideration urged against its adoption.

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

LCB File No. R100-25

December 22, 2025

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

AUTHORITY: §§ 1-2, NRS 391.019 and 391.032.

A REGULATION relating to educational personnel; requiring qualified providers of a program for an alternative route to licensure to accept certain holders of an alternative provisional license who have been reassigned to a new teaching position into the program for the endorsement area required for the new position; requiring such holders to apply for a new alternative provisional license; providing for the issuance of a new alternative provisional license under such circumstances; and providing other matters properly relating thereto.

Legislative Counsel's Digest:

Existing law requires the Commission on Professional Standards in Education to adopt regulations prescribing the qualifications for licensing teachers and other educational personnel. (NRS 391.019) Under existing law, such regulations must: (1) provide for the issuance of provisional licenses to teachers and other educational personnel before completion of all courses of study or other requirements for a license in this State; (2) require the Superintendent of Public Instruction to issue a provisional license to teach if the applicant is otherwise qualified for the license and satisfies the requirements for conditional licensure through an alternative route to licensure; and (3) require a teacher, to be eligible to teach in a field of specialization, to obtain from the Department of Education an endorsement in that field of specialization. (NRS 391.019, 391.032) Existing regulations outline the requirements for obtaining an alternative provisional license to teach. (NAC 391.057) **Section 1** of this regulation requires, if the holder of an alternative provisional license who is enrolled in a program for an alternative route to licensure is reassigned to a teaching position outside of the endorsement area for which he or she was issued an alternative provisional license, that the qualified provider of the program accept the holder into the program for the endorsement area required for the new teaching position within 15 days after the reassignment. **Section 1** additionally: (1) requires the holder to apply for a new alternative provisional license within 30 days after being reassigned; and (2) sets forth certain requirements that an applicant must satisfy to receive such a license. **Section 1** authorizes the holder to teach within the area of endorsement of the new position while the application for a new alternative provisional license is pending. **Section 1** further requires a person who receives a new alternative provisional license under such circumstances to complete any new examination requirements resulting from the issuance of the new license before the expiration of the license.

Existing regulations set forth certain requirements that must be satisfied for an alternative provisional license to be converted to an initial license, including the completion of at least 2 full school years. (NAC 391.057) **Section 2** of this regulation requires the holder who is seeking such a conversion to have completed at least 2 full school years in a full-time teaching position.

Section 2 also updates the name of the Office of Educator Development, Educator Licensure, and Parental Involvement and Family Engagement within the Department.

Section 1. Chapter 391 of NAC is hereby amended by adding thereto a new section to read as follows:

1. If the holder of an alternative provisional license issued pursuant to NAC 391.057 is reassigned to a teaching position outside of the endorsement area for which he or she was issued the alternative provisional license, and the holder requires a different endorsement to teach in the new position, the qualified provider of the program for an alternative route to licensure in which the holder is enrolled must, not later than 15 days after the reassignment, accept the holder into the program for the endorsement area required for the new teaching position.

2. The holder of an alternative provisional license described in subsection 1 shall, not later than 30 days after the reassignment to a new teaching position, apply for a new alternative provisional license pursuant to NAC 391.057. The holder must:

(a) Include, with his or her application, proof of acceptance into the program for the endorsement area required for the new teaching position pursuant to subsection 1; and

(b) Pay the fee required by NAC 391.045.

3. A person may receive a new alternative provisional license pursuant to this section:

(a) Not more than once; and

(b) Only if not more than 1 year has elapsed since the initial issuance to the person of an alternative provisional license pursuant to NAC 391.057.

4. The Superintendent of Public Instruction shall issue a new alternative provisional license to an applicant who satisfies the requirements of subsections 2 and 3 and NAC 391.057. Immediately upon issuing such a license, the Superintendent of Public Instruction shall revoke the alternative provisional license the applicant was previously issued pursuant to NAC 391.057. The new alternative provisional license is valid for the same length of time as an initial alternative provisional license issued pursuant to NAC 391.057.

5. A holder of an alternative provisional license described in subsection 1 who applies for a new alternative provisional license pursuant to this section may teach within the area of endorsement of the new teaching position while the application for a new alternative provisional license is pending.

6. The employer of an applicant who applies for a new alternative provisional license pursuant to subsection 2 shall reimburse the applicant for the cost of the fee required by NAC 391.045.

7. The holder of a new alternative provisional license issued pursuant to this section shall complete any new examination requirements imposed as a result of the issuance of the new alternative provisional license before the expiration of the license.

Sec. 2. NAC 391.057 is hereby amended to read as follows:

391.057 1. The Superintendent of Public Instruction shall issue an alternative provisional license to teach pupils enrolled in a program of early childhood education, in kindergarten and grades 1 to 12, inclusive, or in special education to a person who submits an application which is accompanied by proof satisfactory to the Superintendent of Public Instruction that the applicant:

(a) Holds a bachelor's degree from a postsecondary institution that is regionally accredited;

(b) Has been accepted by a qualified provider for enrollment in a program for an alternative route to licensure; and

(c) Complies with the instructional and training policies and procedures of the qualified provider.

2. An alternative provisional license issued pursuant to this section:

(a) Authorizes the holder of the license to teach in a county school district, a charter school or a university school for profoundly gifted pupils;

(b) Becomes valid on the date on which the holder of the license satisfies all the requirements of subsection 1;

(c) Except as otherwise provided in subsection 3, is valid for not more than 3 years;

(d) Is not renewable; and

(e) May be converted to an initial license after the completion of at least 2 full school years **in a full-time teaching position**, if the licensee has:

(1) Received at least one evaluation rating designating the overall performance of the licensee as highly effective or effective during each such school year;

(2) Completed all academic requirements prescribed by this chapter for the issuance of an initial license;

(3) Submitted proof satisfactory to the Superintendent of Public Instruction that the licensee passed the competency testing required by subparagraphs (1) and (2) of paragraph (a) of subsection 1 of NAC 391.036; and

(4) Submitted proof satisfactory to the Superintendent of Public Instruction that the licensee:

(I) Passed the competency testing required by subparagraph (3) of paragraph (a) of subsection 1 of NAC 391.036; or

(II) If the licensee holds a secondary alternative provisional license, holds a bachelor's degree or more advanced degree with a major in the area of endorsement on the license.

3. If the holder of an alternative provisional license issued pursuant to this section withdraws from or is no longer enrolled in a program for an alternative route to licensure, the qualified provider of the program in which the holder was enrolled must, not later than 15 days after the holder withdraws or otherwise ceases to be enrolled, notify the Office of Educator

Development, Educator Licensure [or], and Parental Involvement and Family Engagement ***within*** the Department of the name and license number of the holder, the date on which the holder withdrew or otherwise ceased to be enrolled in the program and the reason that the holder withdrew or ceased to be enrolled. The alternative provisional license of the holder automatically becomes invalid immediately upon the receipt of such notification by the Office of Educator

Development, Educator Licensure [or], and Parental Involvement and Family Engagement.

4. The holder of an alternative provisional license that has become invalid pursuant to subsection 3 may apply to the Office of Educator ***Development, Educator Licensure [or], and Parental Involvement and Family Engagement within*** the Department for the reinstatement of the license within 1 year after the issuance of the initial license if the holder:

(a) Is accepted by the same program provider in another area; or

(b) Is accepted by another program provider for an alternative route to licensure offered by a qualified provider and pays the fee required by NAC 391.045.

→ An alternative provisional license may be reinstated pursuant to this section only once.