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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 #R014-26

The Commission on Professional Standards in Education will hold a public hearing **at 9:07 A.M.** on **Wednesday, April 15, 2026** via [livestream](https://www.livestream.com) 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 the amendment of regulations pertaining to Chapter 391.136 of the Nevada Administrative Code (NAC) pursuant to the Nevada Revised Statute (NRS) 391.019.

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.*
- 2. Description of the proposed regulation, or the subjects and issues involved:** The proposed regulation is relating to educational personnel; repealing provisions authorizing an applicant for an endorsement on a secondary license in a certain field of specialization or area of concentration to satisfy the requirement for a major or minor in the applicable field or area by providing evidence that the applicant has satisfied certain requirements; and providing other matters properly relating thereto. The Commission will consider repealing this regulation as the provisions for adding by exam are already included in regulation R119-22. The Commission may adopt or not adopt this regulation.
- 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, April 10, 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. R014-26

February 23, 2026

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

AUTHORITY: § 1, NRS 391.019.

A REGULATION relating to educational personnel; repealing provisions authorizing an applicant for an endorsement on a secondary license in a certain field of specialization or area of concentration to satisfy the requirement for a major or minor in the applicable field or area by providing evidence that the applicant has satisfied certain requirements; 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. Such regulations must require an applicant for a license to teach middle school or junior high school education or secondary education to demonstrate proficiency in a field of specialization or area of concentration by: (1) completing course work prescribed by the Department of Education; or (2) successfully completing a subject matter competency examination prescribed by the Department with a satisfactory score. (NRS 391.019)

Existing regulations require an applicant for an endorsement on a secondary license in a field of specialization or area of concentration to: (1) major or minor in a field of specialization or area of concentration; and (2) pass, at the level of competence specified by the Commission, a competency examination approved by the Commission on the subject matter of the field of specialization or area of concentration. (NAC 391.125) This regulation repeals provisions that require an applicant for a secondary license with an endorsement in biological science, general science, mathematics or physical science to be deemed to have satisfied the requirements for a major or minor in the field for which the applicant is seeking the endorsement if he or she provides evidence demonstrating the satisfaction of certain requirements, including, without limitation, that the applicant has passed certain competency tests approved by the Commission. (NAC 391.136)

Section 1. NAC 391.136 is hereby repealed.

TEXT OF REPEALED SECTION

391.136 Endorsement in mathematics and science: Conditions for substitution of course work. (NRS 391.019) An applicant for a secondary license with an endorsement in biological science, general science, mathematics or physical science shall be deemed to have satisfied the requirements for a major or minor in the field for which the applicant is seeking an endorsement if he or she provides evidence satisfactory to the superintendent of public instruction that he or she:

1. Has passed the competency test approved by the Commission pursuant to NAC 391.036 in that field and at the level of competence specified by the Commission for the endorsement;
2. Holds a bachelor's or graduate degree from a regionally accredited college or university with a major in that field;
3. Has earned at least as many semester hours of credit in his or her major field as the number of semester hours of credit required for an endorsement; and
4. Meets all the requirements specified for secondary licensure pursuant to NAC 391.120.