Joe Lombardo
Governor

Victor Wakefield
Superintendent of Public Instruction

Southern Nevada Office
2080 East Flamingo Rd, Suite 210
Las Vegas, Nevada 89119-0811
Phone: (702) 486-6458
Fax: (702) 486-6450

STATE OF NEVADA
DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION

700 E Fifth Street | Carson City, Nevada 89701-5096
Phone: (775) 687-9200 | www.doe.nv.gov | Fax: (775) 687-1116

October 16, 2026
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 #R124-26

The Commission on Professional Standards in Education will hold a public hearing **at 9:01 A.M.** on **Wednesday, November 18, 2026** via livestream and at the following locations: **Nevada Department of Education Offices at 700 East Fifth Street, Board Room, Carson City and 2080 East Flamingo Road, Room 114, Las Vegas, Nevada.** The purpose of the hearing is to receive comments from all interested persons regarding the amendment of regulations pertaining to Chapter 391.XXX, 391.111, and 391.1301 of the Nevada Administrative Code (NAC) pursuant to the Nevada Revised Statue (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; revising provisions relating to an endorsement in recognized fields of specialization or areas of concentration for secondary education; and providing other matters properly relating thereto. This regulation will expand pathways for teaching in a secondary Career and Technical Education classroom. 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 89119. 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 Department on or before **Friday, November 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. R124-26

June 12, 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; revising provisions relating to an endorsement in recognized fields of specialization or areas of concentration for secondary education; 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. Those 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 successfully completing course work prescribed by the Department of Education or completing a subject matter competency examination prescribed by the Department with a satisfactory score. (NRS 391.019) Existing regulations authorize the Superintendent of Public Instruction to issue an endorsement in certain recognized fields of specialization or areas of concentration for middle school or junior high school education or secondary education to a person who: (1) holds a certain license to teach; and (2) has passed a certain competency examination on the subject matter of the applicable field of specialization or area of concentration. (Section 1 of LCB File No. R119-22) This regulation eliminates provisions which only authorize the Superintendent of Public Instruction to issue such an endorsement for secondary education for a field in academic education, thereby authorizing the issuance of such an endorsement for a field in academic education or career and technical education.

Section 1. Section 1 of LCB File No. R119-22 is hereby amended to read as follows:

Section 1. The Superintendent of Public Instruction may issue an endorsement for middle school or junior high school education pursuant to NAC 391.111 or an endorsement for secondary education, for a field **[**~~in academic education~~**]** described

in ~~[subsection 1 of]~~ NAC 391.1301 or a single subject in academic education described in NAC 391.131, pursuant to NAC 391.125, to a person who:

1. Holds a valid elementary, secondary or special teaching license, a valid license to teach special education, a valid license to teach middle school or junior high school education or a valid license to teach pupils in a program of early childhood education; and

2. Has passed, 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.