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January 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 #R038-25

The Commission on Professional Standards in Education will hold a public hearing **at 9:00 A.M. on Wednesday, February 18, 2026** via [livestream](https://www.livestream.com) and at the following locations: **Old Assembly Room, Nevada State Capital, 101 N. Carson Steet, 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 391.146, 391.148, 391.150, 391.152, 391.154, 391.156 and 391.158 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; removing certain duplicative reporting requirements of school districts; repealing regulations related to requests for exceptions for teachers teaching outside their area of endorsement; and providing other matters properly relating thereto. This regulation will repeal duplicative regulations that are more detailed in NRS.
- 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.

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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. R038-25

November 25, 2025

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; removing certain duplicative reporting requirements of school districts; repealing regulations related to requests for exceptions for teachers teaching outside their area of endorsement; and providing other matters properly relating thereto.

Legislative Counsel’s Digest:

Existing law requires the board of trustees of each school district in this State to prepare an annual report of accountability, including information on personnel, teachers and other licensed educational personnel and paraprofessionals employed by the school district. (NRS 385A.070, 385A.220, 385A.230) Existing regulations: (1) require the superintendent of each school district to submit a list of the district’s licensed teachers and their teaching assignments to the Superintendent of Public Instruction; and (2) provide a process for the superintendent of a school district to submit a request for an exception for teachers in the school district who are teaching outside their area of endorsement. (NAC 391.146-391.158) This regulation removes the duplicative reporting requirement and the process for requesting an exception.

Section 1. NAC 391.146, 391.148, 391.150, 391.152, 391.154, 391.156 and 391.158 are hereby repealed.

TEXT OF REPEALED SECTIONS

391.146 “Exception” defined. (NRS 391.019) As used in NAC 391.146 to 391.158, inclusive, unless the context otherwise requires, “exception” means a waiver granted by the Superintendent of Public Instruction which permits the holder of a:

1. Secondary license; or
2. License to teach middle school or junior high school education,
↳ to teach outside his or her area of endorsement.

391.148 Applicability of provisions. (NRS 391.019) NAC 391.146 to 391.158, inclusive, do not apply to any teacher who received a secondary license:

1. Before September 1, 1980, and is teaching outside his or her area of endorsement on January 1, 1992.
2. On or after September 1, 1980, and before January 1, 1992, if the teacher:
 - (a) Submits a notarized affidavit stating that he or she has been teaching outside his or her area of endorsement for not less than 3 years before January 1, 1992; and

(b) Has, as of January 1, 1992, completed in a manner satisfactory to the Superintendent of Public Instruction not less than the equivalent of 6 semester hours of credit in the subject he or she is teaching which is outside his or her area of endorsement.

391.150 Submission of lists: List of teachers and teaching assignments; list of teachers teaching outside area of endorsement. (NRS 391.019)

1. On or before October 1 of each year, the superintendent of each school district shall submit to the Superintendent of Public Instruction a list of the district's licensed teachers and their teaching assignments for the current school year.

2. On or before November 1 of each year, the Superintendent of Public Instruction shall provide the superintendent of each school district with a list of the names of teachers in the school district who are teaching outside their area of endorsement.

391.152 Request for exception: Submission; form and contents; objection. (NRS 391.019)

1. On or before November 15 of each year, the superintendent of a school district shall submit to the Superintendent of Public Instruction a written request for an exception for each teacher named in the list provided pursuant to subsection 2 of NAC 391.150. The request must be in the form prescribed by the Department.

2. A request for an exception must:

(a) Be accompanied by evidence that the licensed teacher has been notified by the district that:

(1) The request is being made; and

(2) He or she has a right to object to the request.

(b) Include a statement demonstrating that extenuating circumstances exist which justify an exception. These circumstances may include:

(1) The number of pupils enrolled in the school;

(2) The unavailability of teachers holding the required endorsement;

(3) Unusual temporary conditions such as double sessions or problems with the facilities of a school; and

(4) The unavailability of an endorsement for a teaching license in the area being taught.

(c) Be accompanied by evidence that all reasonable alternatives have been explored.

(d) Include a plan outlining how the district will eliminate future requests for the same exception.

3. A licensed teacher for whom an exception has been requested may submit a written objection to the Superintendent of Public Instruction within 60 days after receiving notice that the request for the exception is being made.

391.154 Request for exception: Action by Superintendent of Public Instruction. (NRS 391.019) Upon receiving a request for an exception, the Superintendent of Public Instruction shall:

1. On or before December 15, give written notice of whether the request for an exception is granted or denied to the superintendent who requested the exception and the teacher for whom the request was made.

2. Present to the Commission, at its next regularly scheduled meeting after December 15, a report which sets forth:

- (a) The number of requests he or she has denied; and
- (b) The name of the school district and the subjects taught for which an exception was granted.

3. Report annually to each school district any exceptions granted for the district.

391.156 Period of exception; extension of period. (NRS 391.019)

1. Except as otherwise provided in this section, an exception may be granted for not longer than 2 school years. An exception granted pursuant to a request to which an objection is made by the licensed teacher affected may be granted for not longer than 1 school year.

2. If the request for an exception:

(a) Relates to a course in the humanities, an elective course of study or a course that is supplemental to the basic curriculum prescribed by the Board; and

(b) Is for a teacher who is assigned to teach outside his or her area of endorsement at a middle, junior high, secondary or combined school that has less than 300 pupils enrolled and is located at least 30 miles from a school where the subject is taught by persons who have received endorsements in that area,

↪ the Superintendent of Public Instruction may extend the exception for 2 years if the superintendent of the school district submits to the Superintendent of Public Instruction a plan by which the conditions that necessitated the request can be eliminated within the period of the extension.

3. The Superintendent of Public Instruction may grant an exception for longer than 2 school years to a teacher of a program of alternative education who teaches outside his or her area of endorsement.

4. As used in this section:

(a) A “combined school” means a school which has secondary school, middle school or junior high school, and elementary school pupils in attendance, or which mixes one grade level with another.

(b) “Program of alternative education” has the meaning ascribed to it in subsection 5 of NAC 391.392.

391.158 Limitation on teaching of courses related to area of endorsement. (NRS 391.019)

1. A teacher with a secondary license, or a license to teach middle school or junior high school education, may teach not more than two courses which are related to his or her area of endorsement during any school year.

2. As used in this section, a course is “related” to an area of endorsement if the Commission determines that it is within the same field of study as that of the major or minor area of the endorsement.

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January 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 #R040-25

The Commission on Professional Standards in Education will hold a public hearing **at 9:01 A.M.** on **Wednesday, February 18, 2026** via [livestream](https://www.livestream.com) and at the following locations: **Old Assembly Room, Nevada State Capital, 101 N. Carson Steet, 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 391.367 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; revising the educational requirements for a person to receive an endorsement to teach adapted physical education to pupils with disabilities in certain settings; and providing other matters properly relating thereto. This regulation will create another pathway for a candidate from out of state to obtain an Adaptive PE license.
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.

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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.

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

LCB File No. R040-25

December 15, 2025

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 the educational requirements for a person to receive an endorsement to teach adapted physical education to pupils with disabilities in certain settings; and providing other matters properly relating thereto.

Legislative Counsel's Digest:

Existing law requires the Commission on Professional Standards in Education to adopt regulations: (1) identifying fields of specialization in teaching; (2) requiring a teacher to obtain an endorsement in a field of specialization to be eligible to teach in that field; and (3) setting forth the educational requirements for a teacher to qualify for an endorsement in each field of specialization. (NRS 391.019) To receive an endorsement to teach in the field of adapted physical education to pupils who have disabilities in a setting other than a regular classroom, existing regulations require a person to: (1) have completed a program to teach adapted physical education approved by the State Board of Education; (2) hold a license or certificate, issued by another state, with an endorsement to teach adapted physical education to pupils who have disabilities; (3) hold a bachelor's or master's degree in adapted physical education and have completed certain experience in adapted physical education; or (4) hold a bachelor's or master's degree in physical education or special education and have completed certain experience in adapted physical education and certain course work, including course work in certain areas relating to adapted physical education or pupils with disabilities. (NAC 391.367) This regulation requires the program to teach adapted physical education to have been approved by the Commission, rather than the Board. This regulation also provides that a person may receive an endorsement to teach adapted physical education to pupils with disabilities in a setting other than a regular classroom if the person: (1) holds certain teaching licenses issued in this State or a license or certificate, issued by another state, with certain endorsements relating to special education or physical education; (2) has completed certain experience in adapted physical education; and (3) has completed 12 semester hours of course work that includes course work in certain areas relating to adapted physical education or pupils with disabilities.

Section 1. NAC 391.367 is hereby amended to read as follows:

391.367 1. Except as otherwise provided in section 1 of LCB File No. R011-24, before teaching adapted physical education to pupils, ages 3 to 21, inclusive, who have disabilities in a setting other than the regular classroom, a person must hold an endorsement issued pursuant to this section.

2. To receive the endorsement, the person must:

(a) Have completed a program of preparation for teaching adapted physical education which has been approved by the ~~{Board;}~~ *Commission;*

(b) Hold a license or certificate, issued by another state, with an endorsement to teach adapted physical education to pupils who have disabilities;

(c) Hold a bachelor's or master's degree in adapted physical education and have completed a practicum, student teaching, equivalent field experience or 1 year of verifiable teaching experience in adapted physical education; ~~{or}~~

(d) Have completed a bachelor's or master's degree in physical education or special education and:

(1) Have completed a practicum, student teaching, equivalent field experience or 1 year of verifiable teaching experience in adapted physical education; and

(2) Have completed 12 semester hours of course work, including course work in the following areas:

(I) Introduction to adapted physical education;

(II) Assessment of pupils for adapted physical education;

(III) Methods and strategies in adapted physical education;

(IV) Introduction to special education or the education of pupils who have disabilities;

and

(V) Parental involvement in programs for pupils who have disabilities ~~to~~

~~to~~ ~~The~~ ; or

(e) *Have:*

(1) *An endorsement:*

(I) *Issued pursuant to NAC 391.280, 391.281 or 391.343 on a valid license to teach elementary or secondary education, a license to teach special education, a license to teach middle school or junior high school education, a license to teach pupils in a program of early childhood education or a special license issued by this State;*

(II) *To teach physical education on a secondary license with a major or minor in the field of specialization of physical education, as described in NAC 391.13048; or*

(III) *To teach special education or physical education with a license or certificate issued by another state;*

(2) *Completed a practicum, student teaching, equivalent field experience or 1 year of verifiable teaching experience in adapted physical education; and*

(3) *Completed 12 semester hours of course work which must include course work in each of the areas set forth in subparagraph (2) of paragraph (d).*

3. *For the purposes of paragraphs (d) and (e) of subsection 2, a person may satisfy the requirement ~~for~~ to complete* course work in two of ~~these~~ *the* areas ~~may be satisfied~~ *set forth in subparagraph (2) of paragraph (d) of subsection 2* by completing one course, of at least 3 semester hours, that encompasses both subject matters.

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January 16, 2026

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as proposed in LCB File #R067-25

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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 relating to educational personnel; revising provisions relating to the qualifications for and the expiration of certain licenses issued by the Department of Education; and providing other matters properly relating thereto. This regulation will align all licenses to 3, 5, and 6 years as well as allow all educators licensed in chapter 391 to obtain a retiree license.
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.

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

LCB File No. R067-25

December 16, 2025

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

AUTHORITY: §§ 1 and 2, NRS 391.019.

A REGULATION relating to educational personnel; revising provisions relating to the qualifications for and the expiration of certain licenses issued by the Department of 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 regarding the qualifications and process for licensing teachers and other educational personnel. (NRS 391.019) Existing regulations specify the number of years for which renewable licenses are valid based upon certain credentials of the applicant. Specifically, existing regulations make a license valid for: (1) five years, if the applicant has a bachelor’s degree or less; (2) six years, if the applicant has a master’s degree and 3 years of verified teaching experience; (3) eight years, if the applicant has a specialist degree and 3 years of verified teaching experience; (4) ten years, if the applicant has a doctoral degree and 3 years of verified teaching experience; and (5) generally, the period of the certificate, if an applicant has a National Board Certification issued by the National Board for Professional Teaching Standards. (NAC 391.060) **Section 1** of this regulation removes the provisions governing the period of validity for the license of an applicant who has a specialist or doctoral degree or a National Board Certification, and instead provides that if an applicant has a master’s or more advanced degree and at least 5 years of full-time employment as a licensed teacher or other educational personnel, the license is valid for 6 years.

Existing regulations authorize certain persons who are retired and hold a valid license issued by the Superintendent of Public Instruction to apply for a ten-year renewal of their license. Specifically, existing regulations require the applicant to provide proof of at least 15 years of verified employment experience as a teacher or administrator at a public or private school in this State. (NAC 391.073) **Section 2** of this regulation removes the provision that limits eligibility to only those persons with employment experience as teachers or administrators, and instead provides that an applicant must show proof of at least 15 years of full-time employment as a licensed teacher or other educational personnel at a public or private school in this State. Additionally, **section 2** revises the renewal term of the license to 6 years.

Section 1. NAC 391.060 is hereby amended to read as follows:

391.060 1. ~~[Upon]~~ *Except as otherwise provided in NAC 391.073, upon* application, the Department shall issue a *renewable* license *that is valid* for : ~~[the specified number of years to a person with:]~~

(a) ~~[A]~~ *Five years, if the applicant holds a* bachelor's degree or less ~~[, for 5 years.] ; or~~

(b) ~~[A]~~ *Six years, if the applicant:*

(1) Holds a master's or more advanced degree ; and ~~[3]~~

(2) Provides proof that the applicant has been employed full time for at least 5 years ~~[of verified teaching experience, for 6 years.]~~

~~—(c) A specialist's degree and 3 years of verified teaching experience, for 8 years.~~

~~—(d) A doctoral degree and 3 years of verified teaching experience, for 10 years.~~

~~—(e) A National Board Certification issued by the National Board for Professional Teaching Standards, for the period of the certificate, unless the person is issued a license for a longer period pursuant to paragraph (a), (b), (c) or (d).~~

~~→ A license specified in this subsection is renewable.]~~ *as a licensed teacher or other educational personnel.*

2. Except as otherwise provided in this section ~~[,]~~ *and* NAC 391.056 and 391.057, a license expires on the holder's date of birth in the year of expiration.

3. A provisional license that is renewable becomes invalid on the date of expiration of the provision. If the holder of such a license provides evidence to the Department of his or her completion of the course work required to satisfy the provision, the Department will remove the provision and the license remains valid until the date of expiration of the license.

4. An endorsement becomes invalid on the date that the license to which it is attached expires.

Sec. 2. NAC 391.073 is hereby amended to read as follows:

391.073 1. A person who is retired and who holds a valid license issued by the Superintendent of Public Instruction may submit an application on a form prescribed by the Department for renewal of the license. The application must include:

(a) Proof that the applicant ~~[has]~~ *was employed full time for* at least 15 years ~~[of verified employment experience]~~ as a ~~[teacher or administrator]~~ *licensed teacher or other educational personnel* at a public or private school in this State; and

(b) Except as otherwise provided in subsection 2, a renewal fee of:

(1) ~~[For a renewal due on or after September 16, 2024, but before July 1, 2025, \$170. —(2)]~~ For a renewal due on or after July 1, 2025, but before July 1, 2026, \$175.

~~[(3)]~~ (2) For a renewal due on or after July 1, 2026, but before July 1, 2027, \$180.

~~[(4)]~~ (3) For a renewal due on or after July 1, 2027, but before July 1, 2028, \$185.

~~[(5)]~~ (4) For a renewal due on or after July 1, 2028, \$190.

2. If the applicant has been granted an extension of time pursuant to NAC 391.077, the applicant must, instead of submitting a fee in the amount required by paragraph (b) of subsection 1, submit a fee in an amount equal to the fee prescribed by NAC 391.045 for the initial issuance of a license. Any fee submitted pursuant to this subsection or paragraph (b) of subsection 1 includes the fees for processing the fingerprints of the applicant by the Central Repository for Nevada Records of Criminal History and the Federal Bureau of Investigation.

3. Except as otherwise provided in subsection 6, the requirements for renewal set forth in NAC 391.065 do not apply to the renewal of a license pursuant to this section.

4. An application for renewal pursuant to this section may not be submitted earlier than 9 months before the expiration date of the license.

5. ~~[Notwithstanding the provisions of NAC 391.060 to the contrary, the]~~ *The* renewal of a license pursuant to this section is valid for ~~[40]~~ 6 years. The Superintendent of Public Instruction may delay the expiration of a license for not more than 120 days pending receipt of the reports of the criminal history of the licensee by the Central Repository for Nevada Records of Criminal History and the Federal Bureau of Investigation. A person may renew the license pursuant to this section if he or she satisfies the requirements of subsection 1.

6. If a person who holds a license that is renewed pursuant to this section accepts employment with a public employer and is retired under the Public Employees' Retirement System, the person shall comply with the applicable provisions of chapter 286 of NRS and any other statutes and regulations applicable to retired public employees.

7. An applicant for renewal pursuant to this section who seeks to renew an endorsement in a field of specialization shall comply with the applicable requirements for the renewal of the endorsement.

8. As used in this section, "public employer" has the meaning ascribed to it in NRS 286.070.

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January 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 #R068-25

The Commission on Professional Standards in Education will hold a public hearing **at 9:03 A.M.** on **Wednesday, February 18, 2026** via [livestream](https://www.livestream.com) and at the following locations: **Old Assembly Room, Nevada State Capital, 101 N. Carson Steet, 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 391.063 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 relating to educational personnel; revising requirements for the voluntary surrender of an endorsement; and providing other matters properly relating thereto. This regulation will allow an educator to request removal of an endorsement from their license without a notary.
- 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. R068-25

November 19, 2025

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 requirements for the voluntary surrender of an endorsement; and providing other matters properly relating thereto.

Legislative Counsel’s Digest:

Existing law requires the Commission on Professional Standards in Education to adopt regulations: (1) prescribing the qualifications for licensing teachers and other educational personnel; and (2) setting forth the requirements a teacher must satisfy to qualify for an endorsement in each field of specialization. (NRS 391.019) Existing regulations provide that a person may voluntarily surrender the license or endorsement of the person by submitting a notarized statement of surrender to the Department of Education. (NAC 391.063) This regulation removes the requirement for a person to surrender an endorsement by submitting a notarized statement, and instead provides that the person may surrender an endorsement by submitting a request to the Department.

Section 1. NAC 391.063 is hereby amended to read as follows:

391.063 1. A person may voluntarily surrender ~~[his or her]~~ :

(a) *The* license ~~[for endorsement]~~ *of the person* by submitting a notarized statement of surrender to the Department ~~[.]~~ ; *or*

(b) *The endorsement of the person by submitting a request to the Department.*

2. A person who has voluntarily surrendered his or her license or endorsement and wishes to reinstate it must reapply for the license or endorsement by following the procedures and meeting all requirements as if the person were applying for a new license or endorsement.

3. A fee will be charged for the issuance of the new license pursuant to NRS 391.040.
4. The voluntary surrender of a license or the failure to renew a license does not preclude the Board from hearing a complaint for disciplinary action made against the licensee.

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January 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 #R098-25

The Commission on Professional Standards in Education will hold a public hearing **at 9:04 A.M.** on **Wednesday, February 18, 2026** via [livestream](https://www.livestream.com) and at the following locations: **Old Assembly Room, Nevada State Capital, 101 N. Carson Steet, 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 391.036 of the Nevada Administrative Code (NAC) pursuant to the Nevada Revised Statute (NRS) 391.019 and 391.021.

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

- *Governing examinations for the initial licensure; exemption for teacher and educational personnel who obtain reciprocal license.*

- 2. Description of the proposed regulation, or the subjects and issues involved:** The proposed regulation relating to education; revising provisions exempting certain applicants for licensure as a teacher or other educational personnel from the requirement to pass a competency test in basic reading, writing and mathematics; and providing other matters properly relating thereto. This regulation will allow a candidate to take certain approved coursework in lieu of the Praxis Core Basic Examinations.
- 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. R098-25

December 17, 2025

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

AUTHORITY: § 1, NRS 391.019 and 391.021, as amended by section 1 of Assembly Bill No. 286, chapter 372, Statutes of Nevada 2025, at page 2452.

A REGULATION relating to education; revising provisions exempting certain applicants for licensure as a teacher or other educational personnel from the requirement to pass a competency test in basic reading, writing and mathematics; 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) Existing law also requires the Commission to adopt regulations governing examinations for the initial licensing of teachers and other educational personnel and further requires the regulations to exempt an applicant from any requirement to pass a competency test in basic reading, writing and mathematics, at the level of competence specified by the Commission, if, after not passing such a test, the applicant completes a course of study approved by the Department of Education, with a grade of B or better, in each subject area of the competency test that the applicant did not pass. (NRS 391.021) Assembly Bill No. 286 of the 2025 Legislative Session (A.B. 286) instead requires these regulations to exempt an applicant from any requirement to pass a competency test in basic reading, writing and mathematics, at the level of competence specified by the Commission, if, at any time before or after completing such a test, the applicant completes a course of study approved by the Department, with a grade of B or better, in each subject area of the competency test that the applicant did not pass. (NRS 391.021, as amended by section 1 of A.B. No. 286, chapter 372, Statutes of Nevada 2025, at page 2452) This regulation revises the existing exemption created in regulation consistent with the requirements of Assembly Bill No. 286.

Section 1. NAC 391.036 is hereby amended to read as follows:

391.036 1. Except as otherwise provided in this section, paragraph (h) of subsection 1 of NRS 391.019, NAC 391.0545, paragraph (a) of subsection 9 of NAC 391.0896, subsection 7 of

NAC 391.0897, subsection 3 of NAC 391.180, subsection 3 of NAC 391.223, paragraph (b) of subsection 3 of NAC 391.231, paragraph (b) of subsection 3 of NAC 391.233, subsection 3 of NAC 391.276, subsection 2 of NAC 391.277, subsection 2 of NAC 391.279, subsection 4 of NAC 391.305, subsection 4 of NAC 391.312, subsection 2 of NAC 391.315, subsection 4 of NAC 391.320, subsection 3 of NAC 391.370, paragraph (b) of subsection 4 of NAC 391.425, subsection 2 of section 2 of LCB File No. R123-22, subsection 2 of section 3 of LCB File No. R123-22, subsection 2 of section 1 of LCB File No. R124-22, section 2 of LCB File No. R128-22 and section 1 of LCB File No. R070-24, an applicant who applies for:

(a) A license must pass a competency test that has been approved by the Commission, at the level of competence specified by the Commission, in:

- (1) Basic reading, writing and mathematics;
- (2) The principles and methods of teaching; and
- (3) The subject matter of the area of endorsement on the license or the area of endorsement necessary for the applicant's area of assignment.

(b) An additional endorsement on a license held by the applicant must pass a competency test that has been approved by the Commission, at the level of competence specified by the Commission, in the subject matter of the area of endorsement for which the applicant is applying.

2. The Superintendent of Public Instruction may exempt an applicant from any of the tests required by subsection 1 if the applicant:

(a) Submits to the Department evidence that he or she:

- (1) Has retired from teaching in this State;

(2) Held a special license, a license to teach elementary or secondary education, a license to teach special education, a license to teach pupils in a program of early childhood education or a license to teach middle school or junior high school education, which:

(I) Has expired within the year immediately preceding the date on which his or her application was submitted;

(II) Was free from any conditions that the applicant pass a competency test; and

(III) Authorized the applicant to teach in the same grade level and subject area for which he or she is applying to receive a license;

(3) Was required, for the issuance of the applicant's expired license, to complete courses of study and experience which are substantially equivalent to the courses of study and experience required for the issuance of the license for which he or she is applying; and

(4) Otherwise satisfies the requirements for the issuance of a license;

(b) Submits to the Department evidence that the applicant has passed, as part of a teacher education program approved by a state and offered through a regionally accredited college or university, competency examinations equivalent to those required of the applicant by subsection 1, as determined by the Department; or

(c) Submits to the Department evidence that the applicant holds a license to teach issued by another state which is acceptable to the Department for purposes of reciprocity.

3. An applicant is exempt from the requirement to pass a competency test in basic reading, writing and mathematics if the applicant submits to the Department:

(a) Official documentation which indicates that he or she passed, within the 10 years immediately preceding the date on which his or her application was submitted and at the level of competency specified by the Commission:

(1) The “Praxis Core Academic Skills for Educators” in reading, mathematics and writing, prepared and administered by the Educational Testing Service; or

(2) A test of basic skills that is determined by the Department to be equivalent to the test prescribed by subparagraph 1;

(b) Evidence that the applicant has:

(1) Received a master’s or more advanced degree from a regionally accredited college or university; and

(2) Completed, within the 10 years immediately preceding the date on which his or her application was submitted, the “Graduate Record Examinations,” prepared and administered by the Educational Testing Service, or its equivalent, and received a score which was at or above the midpoint of the score range in effect at the time the examination was administered;

(c) Official documentation which indicates that the applicant completed, within the 10 years immediately preceding the date on which his or her application was submitted:

(1) The ACT, administered by ACT, Inc., with a combined score of at least 21; or

(2) The SAT, administered by the Educational Testing Service, with a combined score of at least 1100; or

(d) Evidence that the applicant:

(1) Did not pass, at the level of competence specified by the Commission, the “Praxis Core Academic Skills for Educators” in reading, mathematics and writing, prepared and administered by the Educational Testing Service; and

(2) ~~[After not passing]~~ *At any time before or after completing* the competency test described in subparagraph (1), began and completed, with a grade of B or better, a course of study approved by the Department in each subject area of the competency test described in

subparagraph (1) that the applicant did not pass. Evidence of the completion of a course of study pursuant to this subparagraph must consist of official transcripts indicating completion of the course of study as required by this subparagraph.

4. An applicant is exempt from the requirement to pass a competency test in the principles and methods of teaching if he or she:

(a) Submits to the Department official documentation which indicates that the applicant passed, at the level of competency specified by the Commission, the “Principles of Learning and Teaching Test” prepared and administered by the Educational Testing Service; or

(b) Is applying for a license with an endorsement in an area for which training in the principles and methods of teaching is not required.

5. An applicant is exempt from the requirement to pass a competency test in the subject matter of the area of endorsement if he or she:

(a) Submits to the Department official documentation which indicates that the applicant passed, within the 10 years immediately preceding the date on which his or her application was submitted and at the level of competency specified by the Commission, the competency test in that subject matter;

(b) Is applying for a license or endorsement in an area for which no competency tests have been approved by the Commission;

(c) Is applying for an endorsement to teach pupils who have speech and language impairments and submits to the Department official documentation which indicates that he or she has received a certificate of clinical competence from the American Speech-Language-Hearing Association; or

(d) Is applying for an endorsement in family and consumer sciences and submits to the Department official documentation which indicates that the applicant satisfactorily completed the “Family and Consumer Sciences Composite Examination,” prepared and administered by the American Association of Family and Consumer Sciences.

6. An applicant who fails to comply with the provisions of this section may not apply for a renewable license.

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January 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 #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](https://www.livestream.com) and at the following locations: **Old Assembly Room, Nevada State Capital, 101 N. Carson Steet, 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 Statue (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.

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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 ~~104~~, *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 ~~104~~, *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 ~~104~~, *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.

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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 #R102-25

The Commission on Professional Standards in Education will hold a public hearing **at 9:06 A.M.** on **Wednesday, February 18, 2026** via [livestream](https://www.livestream.com) and at the following locations: **Old Assembly Room, Nevada State Capital, 101 N. Carson Steet, 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, 391.277, and 391.279 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 relating to educational personnel; revising certain qualifications to receive an endorsement to provide services to pupils as an occupational therapist and occupational therapy assistant; revising certain qualifications to receive an endorsement to provide services to pupils as a physical therapist and physical therapist assistant; and providing other matters properly relating thereto. This regulation will ensure minimum degree requirements and require persons to hold an endorsement to provide occupational and physical therapy services.
- 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. R102-25

December 19, 2025

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

AUTHORITY: §§ 1-5, NRS 391.019, as amended by section 2 of Assembly Bill No. 49, chapter 458, Statutes of Nevada 2025, at page 2966.

A REGULATION relating to educational personnel; revising certain qualifications to receive an endorsement to provide services to pupils as an occupational therapist and occupational therapy assistant; revising certain qualifications to receive an endorsement to provide services to pupils as a physical therapist and physical therapist assistant; and providing other matters properly relating thereto.

Legislative Counsel's Digest:

Existing law requires the Commission on Professional Standards in Education to adopt regulations, including, without limitation, regulations: (1) prescribing the qualifications for licensing teachers and other educational personnel; (2) identifying fields of specialization in teaching which require specialized training; and (3) setting forth the requirements a person must satisfy to qualify for an endorsement in each field of specialization. (NRS 391.019, as amended by section 2 of Assembly Bill No. 49, chapter 458, Statutes of Nevada 2025, at page 2966)

Existing regulations require that to receive an endorsement to provide services to pupils as an occupational therapist in a program of occupational therapy, a person must hold a license as an occupational therapist issued by the Board of Occupational Therapy in this State. (NAC 391.277) **Section 1** of this regulation requires that to receive such an endorsement, a person must also hold a master's degree or higher degree in occupational therapy.

Existing regulations require that to receive an endorsement to provide services to pupils as a physical therapist in a program of physical therapy, a person must hold a license as a physical therapist issued by the Nevada Physical Therapy Board. (NAC 391.279) **Section 2** of this regulation requires that to receive such an endorsement, a person must also hold a doctorate degree in physical therapy.

Existing regulations require that to receive an endorsement to provide services to pupils as an occupational therapy assistant in a program of occupational therapy, a person must hold a license as an occupational therapy assistant issued by the Board of Occupational Therapy in this State. (Section 2 of LCB File No. R123-22) **Section 3** of this regulation requires that to receive such an endorsement, a person must also hold an associate's degree or higher degree in occupational therapy.

Existing regulations require that to receive an endorsement to provide services to pupils as a physical therapist assistant in a program of physical therapy, a person must hold a license as a physical therapist assistant issued by the Nevada Physical Therapy Board. (Section 3 of LCB File No. R123-22) **Section 4** of this regulation requires that to receive such an endorsement, a person must also hold an associate's degree or higher degree in physical therapy.

Section 1. NAC 391.277 is hereby amended to read as follows:

391.277 1. To receive an endorsement to provide services to pupils as an occupational therapist in a program of occupational therapy, a person must hold ~~{}:~~:

(a) A license as an occupational therapist issued by the Board of Occupational Therapy in this State ~~{};~~; and

(b) *A master's degree or higher degree in occupational therapy.*

2. A person who holds only a special license with an endorsement to provide services as an occupational therapist is exempt from the requirements of NAC 391.036 and 391.065.

3. Such an endorsement is ~~{}not~~ required to provide services to pupils as an occupational therapist in a program of occupational therapy.

Sec. 2. NAC 391.279 is hereby amended to read as follows:

391.279 1. To receive an endorsement to provide services to pupils as a physical therapist in a program of physical therapy, a person must hold ~~{}:~~:

(a) A license as a physical therapist issued by the Nevada Physical Therapy Board ~~{};~~; and

(b) *A doctorate degree in physical therapy.*

2. A person who holds only a special license with an endorsement to provide services as a physical therapist is exempt from the requirements of NAC 391.036 and 391.065.

3. Such an endorsement is ~~{}not~~ required to provide services to pupils as a physical therapist in a program of physical therapy.

Sec. 3. Section 2 of LCB File No. R123-22 is hereby amended to read as follows:

Sec. 2. 1. To receive an endorsement to provide services to pupils as an occupational therapy assistant in a program of occupational therapy, a person must hold ~~{a}~~ :

(a) A license as an occupational therapy assistant issued by the Board of Occupational Therapy in this State ~~{}~~; and

(b) *An associate's degree or higher degree in occupational therapy.*

2. A person who holds only a special license with an endorsement to provide services as an occupational therapy assistant is exempt from the requirements of NAC 391.036 and 391.065.

3. Such an endorsement is ~~{not}~~ required to provide services to pupils as an occupational therapy assistant in a program of occupational therapy.

Sec. 4. Section 3 of LCB File No. R123-22 is hereby amended to read as follows:

Sec. 3. 1. To receive an endorsement to provide services to pupils as a physical therapist assistant in a program of physical therapy, a person must hold ~~{a}~~ :

(a) A license as a physical therapist assistant issued by the Nevada Physical Therapy Board ~~{}~~; and

(b) *An associate's degree or higher degree in physical therapy.*

2. A person who holds only a special license with an endorsement to provide services as a physical therapist assistant is exempt from the requirements of NAC 391.036 and 391.065.

3. Such an endorsement is ~~{not}~~ required to provide services to pupils as a physical therapist assistant in a program of physical therapy.

Sec. 5. This regulation is hereby amended by adding thereto the following transitory language which has the force and effect of law but which will not be codified in the Nevada Administrative Code:

Notwithstanding the amendatory provisions of this regulation, a person who is employed pursuant to NAC 391.277, NAC 391.279, section 2 of LCB File No. R123-22 or section 3 of LCB File No. R123-22, as applicable, may continue his or her employment without obtaining the applicable endorsement if the person:

1. Is employed at a public school on or before the date on which this regulation is filed with the Secretary of State; and
2. Maintains continuous employment at the public school after the date on which this regulation is filed with the Secretary of State.