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PROPOSED REGULATION OF THE BOARD OF REGISTERED ENVIRONMENTAL HEALTH SPECIALISTS

CHAPTER 625A - [PUBLIC HEALTH SANITARIANS] ENVIRONMENTAL HEALTH SPECIALISTS

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625A.010 Definitions. As used in this section and NAC 625A.020 and 625A.030, unless the context otherwise requires:

- 1. "Approved course" means a course of study or training which must be related to public health sanitation and which is approved or presented by any of the following:
 - (a) The National Environmental Health Association.
 - (b) The American Public Health Association.
 - (c) The Centers for Disease Control.
 - (d) The Food and Drug Administration.
 - (e) The Department of Health and Human Services.
 - (f) The Environmental Protection Agency.
 - (g) The American Water Works Association.
 - (h) The American Dietetic Association.
 - (i) The Professional Achieving Continuing Education (P.A.C.E.) Program.
 - (i) The state board of nursing.
 - [(k) Any other organization approved by the board.]
 - (k) An accredited college or university.
 - (1) [An accredited college or university.] The Nevada Environmental Health Association
 - (m) The American Society of Agricultural Engineers
 - (n) Any other organization approved by the Board
- 2. "Board" means the [board for registration of public health sanitarians.] board of Registered Environmental Health Specialists.
 - 3. "Contact hour" means 50 minutes of participation in an approved course.
- 4. ["Sanitarian"] "Environmental Health Specialist" has the meaning ascribed to it in NRS 625A.020.
 - 5. "Unit of continuing education" means [10] 12 contact hours of approved courses.

625A.020 Continuing education: Requirements for renewal of registration; exceptions.

1. Except as otherwise provided in subsection 2, each [sanitarian] Environmental Health Specialist must complete [one] two units (24 Contact Hours) of continuing education within the two years immediately preceding his application for the renewal of his registration and submit proof of completion of the [course] required contact hours to the board with his application.

- 2. The provisions of this section do not apply to [a sanitarian] an Environmental Health Specialist:
 - (a) Who has received an exemption pursuant to NRS 625A.150.
 - (b) In the year of his initial registration.

625A.030 Continuing education: Proof of completion.

- 1. Each [sanitarian] *Environmental Health* Specialist who is required to complete a program of continuing education shall retain proof of completion of an approved course for 4 years after completion of the course.
- 2. Proof of completion of an approved course must be in the form of a transcript, certificate of completion or other document furnished by the organization which conducted the course.

624A.040 Reinstatement of Certificate; fees; penalties

- 1. When the certificate of any Environmental Health Specialist is suspended pursuant to NRS 625A.130, the certificate may be reinstated upon submission of the following:
- (a) All fees owed for the period of suspension, up to and including the period for which reinstatement is requested.
 - (b) All required contact hours for the above period
 - (c) A penalty fee equal to 50% of all fees owed in (a), not to exceed \$200