ADOPTED REGULATION OF THE

STATE BOARD OF EDUCATION

LCB File No. R082-14

Effective October 24, 2014

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

AUTHORITY: §1, NRS 385.080 and 385.110.

A REGULATION relating to education; revising the required courses for which a person must have earned or waived his or her units of credit to be qualified to receive an adult standard diploma; and providing other matters properly relating thereto.

Legislative Counsel's Digest:

Existing law requires the State Board of Education to prescribe and cause to be enforced the courses of study for the public schools of this State. (NRS 385.110) Existing regulations prescribe the courses for which a person must have earned or waived units of credit to be qualified to receive an adult standard diploma. (NAC 389.688) This regulation revises the list of such courses to authorize a person to earn or waive one unit of credit for Junior Reserve Officers' Training Corps (Level III or IV) as an alternative to earning or waiving one unit of credit for arts and humanities or career and technical education.

- **Section 1.** NAC 389.688 is hereby amended to read as follows:
- 389.688 1. A school district may award an adult standard diploma to a person who:
- (a) Withdrew from high school before the person's graduation and was not eligible to graduate with his or her class, or participated in an alternative program for the education of pupils at risk of dropping out of school established by a school district pursuant to NRS 388.537;
- (b) Has passed the high school proficiency examination which is administered to pupils pursuant to NRS 389.015;

- (c) Has earned, in high school, in an adult high school program or in an alternative program for the education of pupils at risk of dropping out of school established by a school district pursuant to NRS 388.537, or waived, the units of credit required in subsection 2; and
- (d) Is 18 years of age or older at the time of the award or is 17 years of age but less than 18 years of age and participates in an alternative program for the education of pupils at risk of dropping out of school pursuant to NRS 388.537.
- 2. Except as otherwise provided in subsection 3, the units of credit which a person must have earned or waived to be qualified to receive an adult standard diploma are a total of 13 units for required courses and a total of 7 1/2 units for elective courses. The person must have earned or waived his or her units for the required courses in accordance with the following table:

 Minimum

 Required Course
 Number of Units

 American government
 1

 American history
 1

 Arts and humanities, [or] career and technical education or Junior
 1

 Reserve Officers' Training Corps (Level III or IV)
 1

 English
 4

 Health education
 1/2

 Mathematics
 3

 Science
 2

 Use of computers
 1/2

Minimum

Required Course Number of Units

TOTAL: 13

3. If a person demonstrates a competency in the use of computers, the person is not required to complete the course in the use of computers and must earn or waive a total of 12 1/2 units in required courses.

LEGISLATIVE REVIEW OF ADOPTED REGULATIONS—NRS 233B.066 Informational Statement LCB File No. R082-14

1. A clear and concise explanation of the need for the adopted regulation:

To revise the required courses for which a person must have earned or waived his or her units of credit to be qualified to receive an adult standard diploma.

2. Description of how public comment was solicited, a summary of public response, and an explanation of how other interested persons may obtain a copy of the summary.

The Notice of Intent to Act Upon a Regulation for public hearing and adoption of Proposed Amendments was filed at the following locations on April 24, 2014: The offices of the Nevada Department of Education in Carson City and Las Vegas, at the 17 Nevada School District Superintendent's Offices, the 17 county main public libraries, the Nevada State Library and Archives, the Department of Education website and the Legislative Council Bureau website.

A summary may be obtained by contacting Karen Johansen, Administrative Assistant, Nevada Department of Education, 775-687-9225 or by writing to the Nevada Department of Education, 700 East Fifth Street, Carson City, Nevada 89701-5096.

- 3. The number of persons who:
 - (a) Attended each hearing: 43
 - (b) Testified at each hearing; 1
 - (c) Submitted written comments: 0
- 4. For each person identified in paragraphs (b) and (c) of number 3 above, the following information if provided to the agency conducting the Hearing:
 - (a) Name: Anne Loring
 - (b) Business Address; 645 Sierra, PO box 30425, Reno NV
 - (c) Business telephone number;775-849-9451
 - (d) Electronic mail address;
 - (e) Name of entity or organization represented: Education Alliance of Washoe County Anne Loring, Education Alliance of Washoe County, urged support to allow Junior Reserve Officer Training Corp (JROTC) level III or IV to fulfill the one credit in Arts, Humanities or CTE for an adult diploma. The adult education programs do not offer JROTC, however students transferring into those programs as seniors may have taken JROTC in their freshman, sophomore and junior years and could use level III of JROTC to meet this requirement.
- 5. A description of how comment was solicited from affected businesses, a summary of their response and an explanation of how other interested persons may obtain a copy of the summary.

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6. If the regulation was adopted without changing any part of the proposed regulation, a summary of the reasons for adopting the regulation without change.

The proposed regulations were adopted as submitted; there was no public comment

- 7. The estimated economic effect of the regulation on the business which it is to regulate and on the public:
 - (a) Estimated economic effect on the businesses which they are to regulate None.
 - (b) Estimated economic effect on the public which they are to regulate None
- 8. The estimated cost to the agency for enforcement of the proposed regulation: None
- 9. A description of any regulations of other State of governmental agencies which the regulation overlaps or duplicates and a statement explaining why the duplication or overlap is necessary. If the regulation overlaps or duplicates a federal regulation, the name of the regulating federal agency. None.
- 10. If the regulation includes provisions that are more stringent than a federal regulation that regulates the same activity, a summary of such provisions. None.
- 11. Of the regulation provides a new fee or increases an existing fee, the total annual amount of the agency expects to collect and the manner in which the money will be used. None.