PROPOSED REGULATION OF THE

STATE BOARD OF EDUCATION

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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.