

PROPOSED REGULATION OF THE COMMISSION ON PROFESSIONAL STANDARDS IN EDUCATION

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

NAC391.065 Renewal of license: Educational and Professional requirements; exception. (NRS 385.080, 391.019)

Proposed amendments to NAC Chapter 391.065 [Regulations regarding renewal of educator license. Proposed amendment would require educators seeking renewal of standard license to earn at least three semester credits from the list of courses under ELAD endorsement or other coursework related to instruction of English learners.

Authority: NRS 388.411

The English Mastery Council created by NRS 388.409 shall:

3. Make recommendations to the Superintendent of Public Instruction, the Commission on Professional Standards in Education and the State Board for... The adoption of regulations pursuant to NRS 391.019 concerning the requirements for an endorsement to teach English as a second language, including, without limitation, the teachers who should be required to obtain the endorsement;

As outlined in NRS 388.411, the English Mastery Council (EMC) presented preliminary recommendations to the Commission on Professional Standards (COPS) meetings held December 3, 2014. COPS recommended that the EMC consider revisions to the original proposal and to bring back a proposal that is more specific.

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1. Except as otherwise provided in subsection 2, the educational prerequisites for renewal of a license are as follows:
 - (a) Except as otherwise provided in paragraph (b), a license that is renewable may be renewed if its holder earns 6 semester hours of credit or the equivalent during the term of the license.

(1) Effective October 1, 2018 – To renew a standard license, three of the six required continuing education credits be focused on English learners or English Language Acquisition Development courses, and continue upon each renewal until TESL/ELAD endorsement is earned or completed.
 - (b) The holder of a license issued on a specialist's or doctor's degree or a National Board Certification must show evidence of professional growth in the area of endorsement during the term of the license.
2. The provisions of this section do not apply to the renewal of a license pursuant to NAC 391.073.