## 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.

AUTHORITY: §1, NRS 391.019 and 391.040.

A REGULATION relating to educational personnel; revising the amount of the fee which must be submitted by an applicant for licensure as a teacher or other educational employee; and providing other matters properly relating thereto.

## **Legislative Counsel's Digest:**

Existing law requires the Commission on Professional Standards in Education to fix a fee of not less than \$65 for the initial issuance or renewal of a license as a teacher or other educational employee, which must include 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. (NRS 391.040) This regulation increases from \$161 to \$180 the amount of this fee.

- **Section 1.** NAC 391.045 is hereby amended to read as follows:
- 391.045 1. An applicant for the initial issuance of a license as a teacher or other educational employee must submit with his or her application:
  - (a) His or her official transcripts;
  - (b) Evidence that the applicant has successfully completed:
- (1) At least 3 semester hours of credit in a course of study regarding education or curricular adaptation for pupils with disabilities; or
- (2) An in-service or continuing education course regarding education or curricular adaptation for pupils with disabilities that is approved by the Department;

- (c) Evidence that the applicant has successfully completed:
- (1) At least 3 semester hours of credit in a course of study regarding parental involvement and family engagement that:
- (I) Is consistent with the elements and goals for effective involvement and engagement set forth in NRS 392.457; and
- (II) Includes an emphasis on building relationships, outreach to families and developing an appreciation and understanding of families from diverse backgrounds; or
- (2) An in-service or continuing education course regarding parental involvement and family engagement that is approved by the Department and:
- (I) Is consistent with the elements and goals for effective involvement and engagement set forth in NRS 392.457; and
- (II) Includes an emphasis on building relationships, outreach to families and developing an appreciation and understanding of families from diverse backgrounds; and
- (d) Except as otherwise provided in NAC 391.0565, a fee of [\$161,] \$180, which 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. The fee does not include the cost of any examination required by NAC 391.036.
- 2. If the applicant is not eligible for licensure, the fee will not be returned. The applicant must pay another fee if he or she applies again.
- 3. An applicant for an endorsement to an existing license or for an additional license must submit with his or her application:
  - (a) Current official transcripts; and
  - (b) A fee of \$50.

4. The academic credits required to obtain initial licensing or an endorsement to an existing
license are not satisfiable by the completion of courses offered by a provider of continuing
education, but those courses may be used for the renewal of a license.