PROPOSED REGULATION OF THE STATE BOARD OF PROFESSIONAL ENGINEERS AND LAND SURVEYORS

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NAC 625.430 Requirements for renewal of license. (NRS 625.140, 625.398)

- 1. Except as otherwise provided in NAC 625.440 and 625.450, a licensee who, on or after January 1, 1999, applies for the renewal of his or her license, must submit proof deemed acceptable by the Board that he or she has completed at least 30 professional development hours within the biennial renewal period of which 2 hours are related to professional ethics and 1 hour is related to the laws and rules adopted under NRS 625 and NAC 625. , including any professional development hours carried forward from the previous biennial renewal period pursuant to subsection 2. If the licensee does not submit such proof to the Board or, after being notified by the Board that a deficiency exists, does not complete the number of professional development hours which are deficient pursuant to NAC 625.490, the Board will deny the application for the renewal of the license.
- 2. If a licensee has submitted to the Board proof deemed acceptable by the Board that he or she has completed more than 30 professional development hours in a biennial renewal period, the licensee may carry forward to the next biennial renewal period not more than 15 of the excess professional development hours.
- 3. A licensee who is licensed as a professional engineer and who wishes to renew his or her license is required to complete only 30 professional development hours, regardless of the number of disciplines of professional engineering within which he or she is licensed.
- 4. A licensee who is licensed as a professional engineer and a professional land surveyor and who wishes to renew or reinstate both licenses is not required to complete more professional development hours than if he or she were licensed only as a professional engineer or land surveyor. must complete a total of at least 30 professional development hours in activities related to professional engineering and professional land surveying. The professional development hours must include at least:
- (a) Ten professional development hours in activities related to professional engineering; and
- (b) Ten professional development hours in activities related to professional land surveying.

Retains 30 hours of PDH requirement for biennial renewal but adds 3 specific PDH hours—2 in ethics, and 1 in Nevada laws and rules, NRS/NAC 625. Removes specific requirement on dual licensees.

NAC 625.470 Assignment of professional development hours to certain activities. (NRS 625.140, 625.398)

1. Except as otherwise provided in subsection 2, a licensee who successfully completes an activity to maintain, improve or expand the skills and knowledge relevant to his or her discipline is entitled to the number of professional development hours assigned to the activity in accordance with the following schedule, subject to modification by the Board:

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College course with a duration measured in		
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semesters	45 for each semester credit hour received	

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Professional Development Hours

College course with a duration measured in quarters	30 for each quarter credit hour received
Attendingance at a seminar, workshop, inhouse course of instruction or professional meeting, convention or conference	1 for each hour of attendance
Teaching a course, tutorial, seminar, or workshop	2 for each hour spent teaching
Authoring or coauthoring a paper, article or book that has been published	10
Serving as an officer or participating member of a committee of a professional or technical organization	2 for each calendar year of service
Receiving a patent as an inventor of record	10
Participating in self-study activities	1 for each hour of self-study

2. A licensee who teaches the same course on more than one occasion may not obtain any professional development hours for teaching that course a second or subsequent time. A licensee who is a full-time member of the faculty of any institution of the Nevada System of Higher Education or any other public or private institution of learning may not obtain any professional development hours for teaching at that institution.

Broadens what licensees can do to fulfill continuing education requirements, eases the limitations on continuing education activities.