## PROPOSED REGULATION OF THE

## STATE BOARD OF EDUCATION

## LCB File No. R069-22

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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, 391.094 and 391.100.

A REGULATION relating to education; revising the minimum passing score on the ParaPro Assessment for certain paraprofessionals; and providing other matters properly relating thereto.

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

Existing law requires the State Board of Education to prescribe at least one examination for certain paraprofessionals who provide support services in public schools. (NRS 391.094) Existing regulations require paraprofessionals who wish to satisfy certain federal qualifications to pass either the ParaPro Assessment prepared and administered by the Educational Testing Service with a score of at least 460, or an alternative assessment approved by the Board with a score prescribed by the Board. (NAC 391.760) This regulation changes the minimum passing score on the ParaPro Assessment from 460 to 455.

- **Section 1.** NAC 391.760 is hereby amended to read as follows:
- 391.760 1. Each school district and charter school shall recognize that a paraprofessional has satisfied the qualifications prescribed by the No Child Left Behind Act of 2001, 20 U.S.C. § 6319, *as that section existed on December 9, 2015*, if the paraprofessional possesses a high school diploma or its recognized equivalent and has:
  - (a) Completed at least 48 semester hours of credit at an accredited college or university;
  - (b) Obtained an associate's degree or higher degree from an accredited college or university;

or

(c) Passed:

- (1) The ParaPro Assessment prepared and administered by the Educational Testing Service with a score of at least [460;] 455; or
- (2) An alternative assessment approved by the Board pursuant to NAC 391.770 with a score prescribed by the Board.
  - 2. Each school district and charter school shall ensure that a paraprofessional who is:
- (a) Initially hired by the school district or charter school on or after January 8, 2002, to work in a program supported with Title I money satisfies the requirements of 20 U.S.C. § 6319, as that section existed on December 9, 2015, upon hire.
- (b) Hired by the school district or charter school before January 8, 2002, to work in a program supported with Title I money satisfies the requirements of 20 U.S.C. § 6319 , as that section existed on December 9, 2015, on or before January 8, 2006.