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LEGISLATIVE REVIEW OF ADOPTED REGULATIONS AS REQUIRED BY NRS 233B.066

INFORMATIONAL STATEMENT LCB File No. R127-23

The following statement is submitted for adopted amendments to Nevada Administrative Code (NAC) Chapter 555.

a. A clear and concise explanation of the need for the adopted regulation.

The amendments proposed in R127-23 are necessary to implement SB159 of the 82nd Legislative Session which made amendments to NRS 555. These proposed amendments are intended to reduce the burden on existing licensed businesses and individuals new to the pest control industry by providing a training period in which individuals may apply pesticides while completing the licensing process. The supervision, training, and information exchange requirements in the proposed regulation ensure that trainees are equipped with essential information necessary to protect themselves and the public and to maintain compliance with state and federal law during this training period.

b. A description of how public comment was solicited, a summary of the public response and an explanation of how other interested persons may obtain a copy of the summary.

Copies of the proposed regulations, notices of workshop and notices of intent to act upon the regulation were sent by email to persons who were known to have an interest in the subject of NAC 555 as well as any persons who had specifically requested such notice.

These documents were also posted and made available at the following locations:

- Nevada Department of Agriculture, 405 S. 21st St., Sparks, NV 89431
- Nevada Department of Agriculture, 2300 E. Saint Louis Ave., Las Vegas, NV 89104
- Nevada Department of Agriculture, 4780 E. Idaho St., Elko, NV 89801
- Nevada Department of Agriculture website at agri.nv.gov
- Nevada Public Notice website at https://notice.nv.gov/
- Nevada Legislature Administrative Regulation notices at https://www.leg.state.nv.us/App/Notice/A/

A workshop was held on September 3, 2025. The hearing was held on October 17, 2025, and the minutes of that meeting, attached hereto, contain a summary of the discussion held regarding the proposed amendments.

A copy of this summary of the public response to the proposed regulation may be obtained from the Nevada Department of Agriculture, Attn: Dyan Reece, 405 S. 21st St., Sparks, NV

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89431, (775) 353-3670, or d.reece@agri.nv.gov.

- c. The number of persons who:
 - 1. Attended each hearing;

3 attendees

2. Testified at each hearing; and

0 attendees testified. 1 asked a clarifying question.

3. Submitted to the agency written statements.

No written comments

- d. For each person identified in subparagraphs (2) and (3) of paragraph (c), the following information if provided to the agency conducting the hearing:
 - 1. Name;

Warren Hardy

- 2. Telephone number;
- 3. Business address:
- 4. Business telephone number;
- 5. Electronic mail address; and
- 6. Name of entity or organization represented.

Warren Hardy – Nevada Pest Management Association

e. A description of how comment was solicited from affected businesses, a summary of their response and an explanation of how other interested persons may obtain a copy of the summary.

The survey included questions regarding the training requirements in the proposed regulation as these were expected to be the most likely components of the proposed regulation to have a negative impact. The survey was posted to NDA's website and social media accounts and was distributed to an e-mail list comprised of 8,671 contacts including pest control businesses, pesticide dealerships and registrants within the State of Nevada. 4,190 contacts opened the email (52.2%); 906 contacts clicked on the links in the email: 217 on R127-23P changes, and 33 on the R127-23 survey; 24 email contacts responded to the survey. Social media outreach resulted in 1422 impressions, 15 engagements, and 6 clicks on to the linked survey.

The survey was posted to NDA's website and social media accounts. Interested parties may also obtain a copy of the summary by contacting the Division of Plant Health and Compliance at (775) 353-3670 or d.reece@agri.nv.gov.

Comments were solicited from the public during both the workshop and hearing.

f. If the regulation was adopted without changing any part of the proposed regulation, a summary of the reasons for adopting the regulation without change.

Comments received in response to the small business impact survey and workshop were predominantly positive. The Department engaged with participants who provided comment at the workshop to address specific concerns. These participants indicated support after further discussion.

g. The estimated economic effect of the regulation on the business which it is to regulate and on the

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public. These must be stated separately, and in each case must include:

Adverse economic effect on regulated businesses

No adverse economic impacts to regulated businesses are anticipated due to this regulation

Beneficial economic effect on regulated businesses

The NDA estimates that the proposed regulation will have a positive direct economic effect on the small businesses it is to regulate by enabling the generation of revenue by new employees during their training period, offsetting costs associated with hiring and training.

o Immediate economic effect on regulated business

The NDA estimates that a positive effect on regulated businesses will be realized by business immediately upon implementation of the proposed amendments.

Long-term economic effect on regulated business

The NDA estimates that positive economic effects of the proposed amendments will be sustained long-term by enabling employees of pest control businesses who are new to the industry to perform work and generate revenue during their training period, while studying to pass licensing exams. These effects will be realized by regulated businesses each time they hire a new employee who performs regulated pest control work.

Adverse economic effect on the public

The NDA does not estimate any adverse economic impact to the public as an effect of the proposed amendments

Beneficial economic effect on the public

The NDA estimates beneficial indirect economic effects on the public who pest control services through improved response time due to increased availability of pest control technicians.

o Immediate economic effect on the public

The NDA estimates these beneficial economic effects on the public soon after implementation of the proposed amendments.

o Long-term economic effect on the public

The NDA estimates these beneficial economic effects on the public to be maintained long-term by enabling the industry to respond to seasonal shifts in demand for services by enabling the rapid hiring and deployment of additional employees, resulting in maintained or improved response times for client businesses and individuals

h. The estimated cost to the agency for enforcement of the proposed regulation.

The department does not estimate any costs associated with enforcement of this proposed regulation. These trainee registrations will be conducted by existing staff using existing equipment as part of existing processes

i. A description of any regulations of other state or government agencies which the proposed regulation

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overlaps or duplicates and a statement explaining why the duplication or overlapping is necessary. If the regulation overlaps or duplicates a federal regulation, the name of the regulating federal agency. The proposed regulations do not duplicate federal, state or local standards, that regulate the same activity.

- j. If the regulation includes provisions which are more stringent than a federal regulation which regulates the same activity, a summary of such provisions.
 - The proposed regulations are not more stringent than federal standards that regulate the same activity.
- k. If the regulation provides a new fee or increases an existing fee, the total annual amount the agency expects to collect and the manner in which the money will be used.

This regulation does not provide a new fee or increase an existing fee.

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