

INFORMATIONAL STATEMENT

The informational statement required by NRS 233B.066 numerically conforms to the subsections of the statute as follows:

1. EXPLANATION OF THE NEED FOR THE ADOPTED REGULATION

This change will lower the minimum age and modify the education requirements for an individual to register as a pharmaceutical technician in training, expanding opportunities for a broader range of applicants.

2. A DESCRIPTION OF HOW PUBLIC COMMENT WAS SOLICITED, A SUMMARY OF PUBLIC RESPONSE, AND AN EXPLANATION HOW OTHER INTERESTED PERSONS MAY OBTAIN A COPY OF THE SUMMARY.

The Board solicited comment on the proposed amendment by (1) posting notice, with links to the full text of the proposed amendment, to the LCB Administrative Regulation Notices webpage, (2) posting a copy of the full text of the proposed changes to the Board's website as part of the Board Hearing materials, (3) posting notice to the Nevada Public Notice website, operated by the Department of Administration, with a link back to a full text of the proposed amendment on the Board's website, and (4) posting notices and agendas in numerous public locations per NRS Chapter 233B.

The Board also solicited comment from representatives of relevant industry associations that Board Staff deemed likely to have an interest in the proposed amendment. The Board further provided time for public comment at the workshop(s) concerning the proposed amendment. The Board received public comment below.

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Parties interested in obtaining a copy of the summary of the comments solicited should contact Board Coordination at teamBC@pharmacy.nv.gov or call Darlene Nases at (775) 850-1440 ext. 120.

3. THE NUMBER OF PERSONS WHO: (A) ATTENDED EACH HEARING; (B) TESTIFIED AT EACH HEARING; AND (C) SUBMITTED TO THE AGENCY WRITTEN STATEMENTS.

The number of persons who attended the hearing was: 181

The number of persons who testified at the hearing was: 1

The number of agency submitted statements was: -0-

The name of persons who testified at the hearing:

- Liz McMEnamin

4. A DESCRIPTION OF HOW COMMENT WAS SOLICITED FROM AFFECTED BUSINESSES, A SUMMARY OF THEIR RESPONSE, AND AN EXPLANATION HOW OTHER INTERESTED PERSONS MAY OBTAIN A COPY OF THE SUMMARY.

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5. IF THE REGULATION WAS ADOPTED WITHOUT CHANGING ANY PART OF THE PROPOSED REGULATION, A SUMMARY OF THE REASONS FOR ADOPTING THE REGULATION WITHOUT CHANGE.

This regulation was approved by the Nevada State Board of Pharmacy Board Members with no change as the regulation met statutory requirements and is within the Board's authority. Additionally, the proposed regulation has a positive impact on the public as it increases access to patient care by expanding opportunities for a broader range of applicants to become pharmaceutical technicians in training.

6. THE ESTIMATED ECONOMIC EFFECT OF THE REGULATION ON THE BUSINESS WHICH IT IS TO REGULATE AND ON THE PUBLIC. THESE MUST BE STATED SEPARATELY, AND IN EACH CASE MUST INCLUDE:
 - A) BOTH ADVERSE AND BENEFICIAL EFFECTS.

There should be no adverse economic impact from this regulation amendment on the regulated entities or on the public. The regulation amendment will have a beneficial effect on the regulated entities and on the public by expanding the workforce and improving service availability.

B) BOTH IMMEDIATE AND LONG-TERM EFFECTS.

Both the immediate and long-term economic effects on regulated entities and on the public will be beneficial by expanding the workforce and improving service availability.

7. THE ESTIMATED COST TO THE AGENCY FOR ENFORCEMENT OF THE PROPOSED REGULATION.

The cost to the Board for enforcement of the proposed regulation cannot be determined at this time since it will be dependent upon the number of applicants for registration/licensure.

8. A DESCRIPTION OF ANY REGULATIONS OF OTHER STATE OR GOVERNMENT AGENCIES WHICH THE PROPOSED REGULATION 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 Board of Pharmacy is not aware of any similar regulations of other state or government agencies that the proposed regulation overlaps or duplicates.

9. IF THE REGULATION INCLUDES PROVISIONS WHICH ARE MORE STRINGENT THAN A FEDERAL REGULATION WHICH REGULATES THE SAME ACTIVITY, A SUMMARY OF SUCH PROVISIONS.

The regulation does not contain provisions which are more stringent than a federal regulation which regulates the same activity.

10. 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 or increase of fees.