## PROPOSED REGULATION OF THE COMMISSION ON PROFESSIONAL STANDARDS IN EDUCATION

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[NAC 391.475 Qualifications for issuance of conditional special qualification license to persons who complete nontraditional training program; validity; duties of employing school district, charter school or private school; application for renewable special qualifications license; circumstances under which license deemed immediately revoked. (NRS 391.019, 391.021, 391.032)

- 1. The Superintendent of Public Instruction shall issue a conditional special qualifications license to teach pupils in prekindergarten through grade 12 to a person who submits an application which is accompanied by proof satisfactory to the Superintendent that the applicant:
  - (a) Holds a bachelor's degree from a postsecondary institution that is regionally accredited;
  - (b) Passed the competency test in basic reading, writing and mathematics that is required by NAC 391.036 or is eligible for an exemption from that test;
  - (c) Passed the competency test in the principles and methods of teaching that is required by NAC 391.036 or is eligible for an exemption for that test;
  - (d) Passed the competency test in the subject matter of the initial area of endorsement on the license or the area of endorsement necessary for the applicant's area of assignment that is required by NAC 391.036 or is eligible for an exemption for that test;
  - (e) Successfully completed in another state [or] a nontraditional program which trains teachers that has been approved by the Commission; and
  - (f) Has a promise of employment which a school district, charter school or private school in this State before applying for the conditional license.
- 2. A conditional special qualifications license issued pursuant to this section:
  - (a) Becomes valid on the date on which the holder of the license initially enters into a contract with a school district, charter school, or private school;
  - (b) Is valid for 3 years; and
  - (c) Is not renewable.
- 3. A superintendent of a school district, an administrator of a charter school or an administrator of a private school shall, for the duration of the conditional license, assign at least one post probationary teacher who is unconditionally licensed to provide assistance, guidance and training to a person who holds a conditional special qualification license issued pursuant to this section and who is employed by the school district, charter school or private school.
- 4. A person who is issued a conditional special qualifications license pursuant to this section may apply for a renewable special qualifications license to teach pupils in prekindergarten through grade 12 if the applicant:
  - (a) Maintains continuous employment with the school district, charter school or private school in this State that initially employed the person for at least 3 years and receives five satisfactory evaluations during those 3 years;

- (b) Successfully completes a program of mentoring as described in subsection 3; and
- (c) Submits all the appropriate application documents and the fee required to obtain a renewable special qualifications license.
- 5. If a person who holds a conditional special qualifications license issued pursuant to this section fails to:
  - (a) Maintain continuous employment with the school district, charter school or private school that initially employed the person;
  - (b) Receive five satisfactory evaluations during this or her employment with a school district, charter school or private school; or
  - (c) Participate in a mentoring program described in subsection 3, his or her license shall be deemed immediately revoked and the person is not eligible for a renewable special qualifications license to teach pupils in prekindergarten through grade 12.]