## ADOPTED REGULATION OF THE COMMISSION ON

## PROFESSIONAL STANDARDS IN EDUCATION

## LCB File No. R085-97

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EXPLANATION - Matter in *italics* is new; matter in brackets [] is material to be omitted.

AUTHORITY: § 1, NRS 391.019.

**Section 1.** Chapter 391 of NAC is hereby amended by adding thereto a new section to read as follows:

- 1. Except as otherwise provided in subsection 4, to receive an endorsement to teach a course in a Great Basin Native American language, a person must:
  - (a) Have a high school diploma or its equivalent;
  - (b) Have completed 6 semester hours of course work that included, without limitation:
    - (1) Professional education and teaching methodology; or
    - (2) The study of Native American languages; and
  - (c) Be certified as a fluent speaker of the language that the person proposes to teach by:
    - (1) A council of a tribe of Native Americans who speak that language; or
    - (2) A qualified official of a university or college.
  - 2. An endorsement issued pursuant to this section:
  - (a) Is valid for 3 years.
  - (b) Is renewable.
  - (c) May be used only to teach the language set forth on the endorsement.

- 3. An applicant for an endorsement issued pursuant to this section:
- (a) Must submit with his application:
- (1) The applicable documents and fees required for initial certification pursuant to NAC 391.045; and
- (2) Written documentation verifying his certification as a fluent speaker of the language he proposes to teach.
  - (b) Is not subject to the provisions of NAC 391.030 and 391.036.
- 4. A person who does not possess the qualifications required by paragraphs (a) and (b) of subsection 1, but does possess the qualifications required by paragraph (c) of subsection 1, may teach a course in a Great Basin Native American language without an endorsement issued pursuant to this section if a licensed teacher is present in the classroom during the instruction. Written documentation of the person's certification as a fluent speaker of the language he proposes to teach must be provided to the department before he may begin teaching.