

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

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

AUTHORITY: §§1 and 2, NRS 391.019 and 391.032.

A REGULATION relating to educational personnel; prescribing a limited endorsement to teach core academic subjects exclusively to pupils with disabilities; and providing other matters properly relating thereto.

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

1. A special education teacher, whether new or not new to the profession, providing instruction at an elementary or secondary school may be granted a limited endorsement to teach one or more core academic subjects exclusively to pupils with disabilities.

2. To receive the limited endorsement, a special education teacher must:

(a) Hold a valid special license to teach with an endorsement in special education;

(b) Receive, before and during the term of his limited endorsement, high-quality professional development that is sustained, intensive and focused on instruction in the classroom to ensure a positive and lasting impact on the teacher's instruction in the classroom; and

(c) Demonstrate satisfactory progress toward achieving competence in each applicable core academic subject as prescribed by the Department.

3. *The term of a limited endorsement issued pursuant to this section is 3 years and the endorsement is not renewable. To continue teaching one or more core academic subjects exclusively to pupils with disabilities, the holder must, during the term of his limited endorsement, complete the requirements for designation as a highly qualified teacher by demonstrating competence in each applicable core academic subject in accordance with the No Child Left Behind Act of 2001, 20 U.S.C. § 7801(23), and the Individuals with Disabilities Education Act, 20 U.S.C. § 1401(10).*

4. *As used in this section, “core academic subject” has the meaning ascribed to it in 20 U.S.C. § 7801(11).*

Sec. 2. NAC 391.162 is hereby amended to read as follows:

391.162 ~~{The}~~ *Except as otherwise provided in section 1 of this regulation, the* Department will not issue or renew a limited endorsement on or after July 1, 2002. A limited endorsement in effect on July 1, 2002, remains valid for the term for which it was issued unless earlier revoked by the Department.