

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

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The following statement is submitted for adopted amendments to Nevada Administrative Code (NAC) Chapter 625A.

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

The need and purpose of the proposed regulation is to protect the public health, safety and welfare by ensuring that only qualified and competent environmental health specialists and environmental health specialist trainees are registered to practice in the state.

The proposed regulation specifies the time periods in which an environmental health specialist trainee may apply to the Board of Environmental Health Specialists to take the national examination for credentialing as an environmental health specialist; revises the list of entities which provide training programs in the practice of environmental health whose training programs are deemed to be approved by the Board; revises certain fees charged for obtaining and renewing standard and provisional registrations to practice environmental health; and provides other matters properly relating thereto.

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

Copies of the proposed regulation, notices of workshops and notices of intent to act upon the regulation were sent by e-mail to all registered environmental health specialists and persons who were known to have an interest in environmental health as well as any persons who had specifically requested such notice. These documents were also made available at the website of the Board of Environmental Health Specialists, www.nvrehs.org, and posted at the following locations:

Board of Environmental Health Specialists, 6170 Mae Anne Ave., Suite 1,
Reno, Nevada 89523
Nevada Division of Public & Behavioral Health
727 Fairview Drive, Suite D, Carson City, Nevada 89701
Southern Nevada Health District
330 S. 280 S. Decatur Blvd, Las Vegas, Nevada 89107
Washoe County Health Division, 1001 E. 9th Street, Reno, Nevada 89501

A Workshop was held to solicit comments on the proposed regulations on October 18, 2021. There were two (2) individuals representing small businesses and the public in attendance and no written comments were received at the workshop. Thereafter, on or about January 20, 2022, a Notice of Intent to Act Upon Regulations was issued.

A Public Hearing was held on February 28, 2022; there were no oral or written comments received at the Hearing.

A copy of this summary of the public response to the adopted regulation may be obtained from the Board of Environmental Health Specialists, 6170 Mae Anne Ave., Suite 1, Reno, Nevada 89523, 775-746-9423, or email to board@nvrehs.org.

3. The number of persons who:

(a) Attended each workshop:	October 18, 2021	2
(b) Attended public hearing:	February 28, 2022	0
(c) Testified at hearing:	February 28, 2022	0
(d) Submitted written comments:		0

4. For each person identified in paragraphs (b) and (c) of number 3 above, the following information if provided to the agency conducting the hearing:

None

5. 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.

Comments were solicited from affected businesses in the same manner as they were solicited from the public. No comments were received from businesses.

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

The Board of Environmental Health Specialists adopted the regulation on February 28, 2022, without change. There were no revisions or changes requested as a result of the public Workshop on October 18, 2021, or public Hearing on February 28, 2022. No public comments, written or oral, were received.

7. The estimated economic effect of the adopted regulation on the businesses which it is to regulate and on the public. These must be stated separately, and each case must include:

- (a) Both adverse and beneficial effects; and**
- (b) Both immediate and long-term effects.**

(a) Both adverse and beneficial effects

There will be no adverse economic effect of these adopted regulations on the businesses which it is to regulate (environmental health specialists and environmental health specialist trainees) or the public. The adopted regulations will benefit the environmental health practitioners and the public by providing clarity to the regulations.

(b) Both immediate and long-term effects.

Direct effect will be to improve and clarify existing law and regulatory requirements. Businesses may experience the indirect effect of having qualified and knowledgeable environmental health practitioners.

Long-term effect will be clarity and consistency in regulation and registration of environmental health specialists and environmental health specialist trainees in Nevada.

8. The estimated cost to the agency for enforcement of the adopted regulations.

There are no additional costs involved in the enforcement of these adopted regulations.

9. 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 Environmental Health Specialists is not aware of any similar federal, state or local standards regulating the environmental health specialist professions. These adopted regulations do not duplicate any federal, state or local standards.

10. If the regulation includes provisions that are more stringent than a federal regulation which regulates the same activity, a summary of such provisions.

The Board of Environmental Health Specialists is not aware of any similar federal regulations of the same activity in which the adopted regulations are more stringent.

11. 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.

The regulation increases fees for initial registration and renewal of registration as authorized in NRS 625A.130. The fees remain below the maximum thresholds established in NRS 625A.130 and have been set in an amount as to reimburse the Board for the cost of carrying out the provisions of NRS 625A. The increase will result in approximately \$6,000 in additional revenue per fiscal year.