

Assembly Bill No. 225—Assemblymen Tolles, Brown-May;
Anderson, Duran, Gorelow, Hansen, Hardy, Krasner,
Leavitt, Nguyen, Roberts and Torres

Joint Sponsors: Senators Lange; and Denis

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AN ACT relating to education; requiring the Commission on Professional Standards in Education to consider alternative means of demonstrating competency for certain persons when adopting regulations governing examinations for the licensure of teachers and other educational personnel; and providing other matters properly relating thereto.

Legislative Counsel’s Digest:

Existing law requires the Commission on Professional Standards in Education to adopt regulations governing examinations for the initial licensing of teachers and other educational personnel. (NRS 391.021) This bill requires the Commission to consider including any alternative means of demonstrating competency for persons with a disability or health-related need that the Commission determines are necessary and appropriate when adopting such regulations.

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

THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF NEVADA, REPRESENTED IN
SENATE AND ASSEMBLY, DO ENACT AS FOLLOWS:

Section 1. NRS 391.021 is hereby amended to read as follows:

391.021 **1.** Except as otherwise provided in NRS 391.027, the Commission shall adopt regulations governing examinations for the initial licensing of teachers and other educational personnel. The regulations adopted by the Commission must ensure that the examinations test the ability of the applicant to teach and the applicant’s knowledge of each specific subject he or she proposes to teach.

2. *When adopting regulations pursuant to subsection 1, the Commission shall consider including any alternative means of demonstrating competency for persons with a disability or health-related need that the Commission determines are necessary and appropriate.*

3. Teachers and educational personnel from another state who obtain a reciprocal license pursuant to NRS 391.032 are not required to take the examinations for the initial licensing of teachers and other educational personnel described in this section or any other



examination for initial licensing required by the regulations adopted by the Commission.

Sec. 2. This act becomes effective on July 1, 2021.

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