NOTICE OF HEARING FOR THE AMENDMENT AND ADOPTION OF REGULATION OF THE COMMISSION ON PROFESSIONAL STANDARDS IN EDUCATION

The Nevada Commission on Professional Standards in Education will hold a public hearing on **August 15, 2012 to be video conference in the Board Room at the Nevada Department of Education Offices, 700 East Fifth Street and 9890 South Maryland Parkway, Las Vegas, Nevada**.

The purpose of the hearing is to receive comments from all interested persons regarding the amendments/adoptions of regulations of the Nevada Administrative Code (NAC). If no person who is directly affected by the proposed action appears to request time to make an oral presentation, the Commission on Professional Standards in Education may proceed immediately to act upon any written submissions.

The time for the hearing is scheduled as follows:

9:30 A.M. Public Hearing and Possible Adoption to Consider Comments for LCB File No. R115-11; New Sections to NAC 391 for Alternative Route to Licensure; NAC 391.010 – Definitions; NAC 391.042 – Initial License Requiring Student Teaching Experience; Conditions for Substitution of Teaching Experience; NAC 391.057 - Conditional Licensure: Categories, Qualifications; Validity; Permission by the Department for School District, Charter School, or Private School to Hire Licensee; Requirements of Licensee following Issuance; NAC 391.060 – Expiration of Licenses and Endorsements; NAC 391.170 – Endorsement as Professional Administrator of School or Program; NAC 391.171- Conditional Endorsement as Professional Administrator of School; Authorized Employment; Validity; NAC 391.465 – Approval and Publication by Commission of Nontraditional Training Programs; and NAC 391.470 – Qualifications for Issuance of Renewable Teaching License to Persons Who Complete Nontraditional Training Program; and Delete NAC 391.058 – Conditional Licensure: Application to Department for Permission of School District, Charter School or Private School to Hire Licensee; Duties of Employing School District, Charter School or Private School; Requirements of Licensee Following Issuance; Cooperation with Commission and Department; NAC 391.105 – Conditional License of Elementary Teacher Not Renewable; NAC 391.172-Employment of Person Who Hold Conditional Endorsement as Professional Administrator of a School; Approval by Department Required; Duties of Employing School District, Charter School or Private School; Requirements of Licensee Following Employment; NAC 391.173 – Qualifications for Issuance of Unconditional Endorsement as Professional Administrator of School to Person Who Holds Conditional Endorsement; NAC 391.460 – "Nontraditional Program Which Trains Teachers" defined; and NAC 391.475 – Qualifications for Issuance of Conditional Special Qualifications 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

NOTE: This is the first public hearing and possible action to adopt may be taken.

The need and the purpose of the proposed amendments to the Alternative Route to Licensure Regulations is to prescribe requirements for certain institutions to be recognized as qualified providers by the Commission on Professional Standards in Education to offer a program for the alternative route to licensure for teachers and administrators in this State; expanding the types of experience which may be substituted for student teaching experience; revising provisions governing the issuance of certain conditional licenses and endorsements; revising provisions governing the qualifications for a renewable license issued pursuant to a nontraditional training program; and repealing certain provisions relating to conditional licenses and endorsements.

There is no economic effect of the regulation on the business that it regulates.

There is no economic effect of the regulation on the public. There are no adverse effects. There are no immediate or long-term effects on the public. The estimated cost to the agency for enforcement of the proposed regulation is none.

There are no federal laws affecting the proposed regulations and there is no duplication or overlap of state or local governmental agencies. The proposed regulation does not establish a new fee. The proposed regulation does not increase the existing licensure fee.

Persons wishing to comment upon the proposed action of the Commission on Professional Standards in Education may appear at the scheduled public hearing or may address their comments, data, views or arguments, in written form, to the Commission Secretary, Nevada Department of Education, 700 East Fifth Street, Carson City, Nevada 89701-5096. The Department of Education must receive written submissions **on or before August 6, 2012**.

A copy of this notice and the regulation to be amended/adopted will be on file at the State Library and Archives, 100 Stewart Street, Carson City, Nevada, for inspection by members of the public during business hours. Additional copies of the notice and the regulation to be amended/adopted will be available at the Nevada Department of Education, 700 East Fifth Street, Carson City, Nevada, and in all counties at the main public library, for inspection and copying by members of the public during business hours. The text of each regulation includes the entire text of any section of the Nevada Administrative Code that is proposed for amendment or repeal. Copies will also be mailed to members of the public upon request. A reasonable fee may be charged for copies, if it is deemed necessary.

Upon adoption of any regulation, the agency, if requested to do so by an interested person, either prior to adoption or within 30-day thereafter, will issue a concise statement of the principal reasons for and against its adoption and incorporate therein its reason for overruling the consideration urged against its adoption.

This notice of hearing has been posted at the following locations: Nevada Department of Education, both locations; 17 Nevada County School District Offices; 17 Nevada County Libraries; Clark County Classroom Teachers Association; Washoe County Teachers Association; Nevada State Education Association, both locations; and Nevada State Library and Archives.

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