APPROVED REGULATION OF THE

STATE BOARD OF PHARMACY

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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 639.070, 639.120 and 639.134.

A REGULATION relating to the practice of pharmacy; revising the requirement that an applicant for a certificate as a registered pharmacist complete a certain number of hours of practical pharmaceutical experience as an intern pharmacist under the direct and immediate supervision of a registered pharmacist; revising the requirements for the issuance of a certificate as a registered pharmacist by reciprocity; and providing other matters properly relating thereto.

Legislative Counsel's Digest:

Existing law authorizes the State Board of Pharmacy to adopt regulations governing the practice of pharmacy. (NRS 639.070) Existing law requires an applicant for a certificate as a registered pharmacist to complete not less than 1,500 hours of practical pharmaceutical experience as an intern pharmacist under the direct and immediate supervision of a registered pharmacist. (NRS 639.120) Existing regulations establish that 1,740 hours of such practical pharmaceutical experience as an intern pharmacist are required to satisfy the requirement of not less than 1,500 hours of such practical pharmaceutical experience. (NAC 639.208) **Section 1** of this regulation removes the requirement that an applicant complete 1,740 hours of such practical pharmaceutical experience, thereby requiring an applicant to complete not less than 1,500 hours of such practical pharmaceutical experience pursuant to existing law.

Existing law authorizes the Board to grant an application for a certificate as a registered pharmacist, without requiring an examination, if the person: (1) is registered as a pharmacist in another jurisdiction which requires the person to pass an examination in order to be registered in that jurisdiction; (2) produces evidence satisfactory to the Board that the person has the required secondary and professional education and training; and (3) is of good moral character. (NRS 639.120, 639.134) **Section 1** authorizes such an applicant to satisfy the requirement to provide evidence of having the required secondary and professional education and training by providing evidence that the applicant has satisfied the requirements of reciprocation of the Electronic Licensure Transfer Program of the National Association of Boards of Pharmacy.

Section 2 of this regulation establishes that the provisions of this regulation apply to any applicant for a certificate as a registered pharmacist who has submitted an application for such a certificate before the effective date of this regulation if the Board has not approved or denied the application before the effective date of this regulation.

Section 1. NAC 639.208 is hereby amended to read as follows:

639.208 [For the purposes of paragraph (d) of subsection 1 of NRS 639.120, an] An applicant for a certificate as a registered pharmacist in this State [must complete 1,740 hours of practical pharmaceutical experience as an intern pharmacist under the direct and immediate supervision of a registered pharmacist.] by reciprocity pursuant to NRS 639.134 may provide evidence that the applicant has satisfied the requirements of paragraphs (b) and (d) of subsection 1 of NRS 639.120 by completing the requirements of reciprocation of the Electronic Licensure Transfer Program of the National Association of Boards of Pharmacy.

Sec. 2. This regulation is hereby amended by adding thereto the following transitory language which has the force and effect of law but which will not be codified in the Nevada Administrative Code:

The amendatory provisions of this regulation apply to any applicant for a certificate as a registered pharmacist who has submitted an application for such a certificate to the State Board of Pharmacy before the effective date of this regulation if the Board has not approved or denied the application before the effective date of this regulation.