PROPOSED REGULATION OF THE BOARD OF PSYCHOLOGICAL EXAMINERS

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- (Previously numbered as) NAC 641.120. The Board seeks to resurrect NAC 641.120 in a revised version of what the Legislative Counsel Bureau determined, during its recent codification of NAC Chapter 641, that the Board had repealed, but which the Board does not believe it intended to repeal. That provision, previously numbered as NAC 641.120 addresses the National Exam required for licensure as a Psychologist, as follows:

(*Previously numbered as*) NAC 641.120 National examination: Use; prerequisite for taking; reexamination. (NRS 641.100, 641.180)

- 1. The national examination constitutes one portion of the examination for licensure as a psychologist.
- 2. Except as otherwise provided in subsection 3, an applicant for a license may begin to take the national examination before degree conferral, after the applicant has graduated with completion of foundational coursework, excluding practicum, dissertation, or internship, completed the coursework in a doctoral degree program from:
- (a) A training program which is accredited by the American Psychological Association or a program which meets the requirements of:
 - (1) NAC 641.061 if the applicant graduated before January 1, 2018; or
 - (2) NAC 641.062 if the applicant graduated on or after January 1, 2018; or
 - (b) An institution which meets the requirements of subsection 3 of NAC 641.050.
 - 3. An applicant who fails the national examination:
 - (a) Once or twice may retake the examination.
- (b) Three times may not retake the examination unless the applicant requests permission and obtains approval from the Board to retake the examination for a fourth time. The applicant must submit to the Board a written request to retake the examination and a written plan explaining the steps the applicant will take to pass the examination. The Board will approve the request to retake the examination if the Board determines that the written plan

submitted by the applicant is likely to result in the applicant passing the examination.

(c) Four or more times may not retake the examination except as otherwise provided in this paragraph, and his or her application for licensure pursuant to NRS 641.160 or NAC 641.062, as applicable, is deemed denied. A person whose application is deemed denied pursuant to this paragraph may, not earlier than 18 months after the date on which he or she notified the Board that he or she failed the examination for the immediately preceding time, request permission in writing from the Board to reapply for licensure and retake the examination. The Board will, if good cause is shown, approve the request.