

**PROPOSED REGULATION OF THE COMMISSION ON
PROFESSIONAL STANDARDS IN EDUCATION**

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EXPLANATION – Matter in *italics* is new; matter in brackets [] is material to be omitted.

AUTHORITY: § 1, NRS 391.019.

Section 1. Chapter 391 of NAC is hereby amended by adding thereto a new section to read as follows:

1. Except as otherwise provided in subsection 4, to receive an endorsement to teach a course in a Great Basin Native American language, a person must:

(a) Have a high school diploma or its equivalent;

(b) Have completed 6 semester hours of course work that included, without limitation:

(1) Professional education and teaching methodology; or

(2) The study of Native American languages; and

(c) Be certified as a fluent speaker of the language that the person proposes to teach by:

(1) A council of a tribe of Native Americans who speak that language; or

(2) A qualified official of a university or college.

2. An endorsement issued pursuant to this section:

(a) Is valid for 3 years.

(b) Is renewable.

(c) May be used only to teach the language set forth on the endorsement.

3. *An applicant for an endorsement issued pursuant to this section:*

(a) Must submit with his application:

(1) The applicable documents and fees required for initial certification pursuant to NAC 391.045; and

(2) Written documentation verifying his certification as a fluent speaker of the language he proposes to teach.

(b) Is not subject to the provisions of NAC 391.030 and 391.036.

4. *A person who does not possess the qualifications required by paragraphs (a) and (b) of subsection 1, but does possess the qualifications required by paragraph (c) of subsection 1, may teach a course in a Great Basin Native American language without an endorsement issued pursuant to this section if a certified teacher is present in the classroom during the instruction. Written documentation of the person's certification as a fluent speaker of the language he proposes to teach must be provided to the department before he may begin teaching.*