

SENATE BILL NO. 175—SENATOR ROGICH

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Referred to Committee on Education

SUMMARY—Revises provisions governing the treatment of certain military credentials in the licensure and hiring of educational personnel. (BDR 34-663)

FISCAL NOTE: Effect on Local Government: May have Fiscal Impact.
Effect on the State: Yes.

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

AN ACT relating to educational personnel; authorizing a member or veteran of the Armed Forces of the United States who has received certification as an instructor in the Junior Reserve Officers' Training Corps program to obtain a license to teach in the same manner as a person who has completed the alternative route to licensure program of this State; requiring school districts to consider certification as an instructor in the Junior Reserve Officers' Training Corps program to satisfy qualifications for certain positions of employment applied for by a member or veteran of the Armed Forces of the United States; and providing other matters properly relating thereto.

Legislative Counsel's Digest:

1 Existing law requires the Commission on Professional Standards in Education
2 to adopt regulations relating to the qualifications to obtain a license to teach in this
3 State. (NRS 391.019) Existing law requires the regulations adopted by the
4 Commission to: (1) include the qualifications for licensing teachers and
5 administrators pursuant to an alternative route to licensure; and (2) provide for the
6 issuance of a regular license to a person who completes the education and training
7 required under the alternative route to licensure and who satisfies all other
8 requirements for licensure. (NRS 391.019) **Section 1** of this bill authorizes a
9 member or veteran of the Armed Forces of the United States who has received
10 certification as an instructor in the Junior Reserve Officers' Training Corps
11 program, including, without limitation, a temporary, provisional or advanced
12 certification, to obtain a license in this State as if the member or veteran has
13 completed the alternative route to licensure program in this State.



14 Existing law requires an applicant for a license as a teacher or administrator to
15 submit with his or her application proof that the applicant has satisfactorily
16 completed a course of study and training approved by the Commission. Existing
17 law exempts a person who received education and training pursuant to an
18 alternative route to licensure from this requirement. (NRS 391.037) **Section 2** of
19 this bill also exempts a person who applies for a license as a member or veteran of
20 the Armed Forces of the United States who has received certification, including,
21 without limitation, a temporary, provisional or advanced certification, as an
22 instructor in the Junior Reserve Officers' Training Corps program from this
23 requirement.

24 Existing law requires school districts to consider the Joint Services Transcript
25 or a similar document of a veteran as credit towards such training, experience or
26 licensure required for certain skilled positions of employment in that school district.
27 (NRS 391.115) **Section 3** of this bill applies these provisions to a person who is a
28 member of the Armed Forces of the United States in addition to veterans. **Section 3**
29 also adds certification as an instructor in the Junior Reserve Officers' Training
30 Corps program, as described in **section 1**, as a specific certification on a Joint
31 Services Transcript or a similar document for which credit must be provided by a
32 school district.

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

1 **Section 1.** NRS 391.032 is hereby amended to read as follows:

2 391.032 1. Except as otherwise provided in NRS 391.027,
3 the Commission shall:

4 (a) Adopt regulations which provide for the issuance of
5 provisional licenses to teachers and other educational personnel
6 before completion of all courses of study or other requirements for a
7 license in this State.

8 (b) Adopt regulations which provide for the reciprocal licensure
9 of educational personnel from other states including, without
10 limitation, for the reciprocal licensure of persons who hold a license
11 to teach special education. Such regulations must include, without
12 limitation, provisions:

13 (1) For the reciprocal licensure of persons who obtained a
14 license pursuant to an alternative route to licensure which the
15 Department determines is as rigorous or more rigorous than the
16 alternative route to licensure prescribed pursuant to subparagraph
17 (1) of paragraph (a) of subsection 1 of NRS 391.019.

18 (2) Which provide for the licensure of persons pursuant to
19 the Interstate Teacher Mobility Compact enacted in NRS 391B.010.

20 2. A person who is a member of the Armed Forces of the
21 United States, a veteran of the Armed Forces of the United States or
22 the spouse of such a member or veteran of the Armed Forces of the
23 United States and who has completed the equivalent of an
24 alternative route to licensure program in another state may obtain a



1 license as if such person has completed the alternative route to
2 licensure program of this State.

3 3. *A person who is a member of the Armed Forces of the*
4 *United States or a veteran of the Armed Forces of the United*
5 *States and who has received certification as an instructor in the*
6 *Junior Reserve Officers' Training Corps program may obtain a*
7 *license as if such person has completed the alternative route to*
8 *licensure program of this State.*

9 4. The Commission shall adopt regulations requiring the
10 Superintendent of Public Instruction to issue a provisional license to
11 teach if:

12 (a) The Superintendent determines that the applicant is
13 otherwise qualified for the license; and

14 (b) The applicant:

15 (1) Graduated with a bachelor's degree or higher but is
16 awaiting conferment of the degree; or

17 (2) Satisfies the requirements for conditional licensure
18 through an alternative route to licensure.

19 ~~4.~~ 5. A person who is issued a provisional license must
20 complete all courses of study and other requirements for a license in
21 this State which is not provisional within 3 years after the date on
22 which a provisional license is issued.

23 6. *As used in this section, "certification as an instructor in*
24 *the Junior Reserve Officers' Training Corps program" means any*
25 *form of certification as an instructor in the Junior Reserve*
26 *Officers' Training Corps Program set forth in 10 U.S.C. §§ 2031*
27 *et seq. issued by any department of the Armed Forces of the*
28 *United States, including, without limitation, a temporary,*
29 *provisional or advanced certification.*

30 **Sec. 2.** NRS 391.037 is hereby amended to read as follows:

31 391.037 1. The Commission shall:

32 (a) Prescribe by regulation the standards for approval of a course
33 of study or training offered by an educational institution to qualify a
34 person to be a teacher or administrator or to perform other
35 educational functions. The regulations prescribed pursuant to this
36 paragraph must include, without limitation, training on how to
37 identify a pupil who is at risk for dyslexia or related disorders.

38 (b) Maintain descriptions of the approved courses of study
39 required to qualify for endorsements in fields of specialization and
40 provide to an applicant, upon request, the approved course of study
41 for a particular endorsement.

42 2. Except for an applicant who submits an application for the
43 issuance of a license pursuant to subparagraph (1) of paragraph (a)
44 of subsection 1 of NRS 391.019, *subsection 3 of NRS 391.032* or
45 391B.010, an applicant for a license as a teacher or administrator or



1 to perform some other educational function must submit with his or
2 her application, in the form prescribed by the Superintendent of
3 Public Instruction, proof that the applicant has satisfactorily
4 completed a course of study and training approved by the
5 Commission pursuant to subsection 1.

6 **Sec. 3.** NRS 391.115 is hereby amended to read as follows:

7 391.115 **1.** If a *person who is a member of the Armed*
8 *Forces of the United States or a* veteran of the Armed Forces of the
9 United States submits an application for employment in a school
10 district for a position that requires certain training, experience ,
11 *certification* or licensure in a skilled trade, the school district must
12 consider any military education, training or occupational experience
13 listed on a Joint Services Transcript or a similar document ,
14 *including, without limitation, certification as an instructor in the*
15 *Junior Reserve Officers' Training Corps program,* as credit
16 towards any such required training, experience , *certification* or
17 licensure.

18 **2.** *As used in this section, "certification as an instructor in*
19 *the Junior Reserve Officers' Training Corps program" has the*
20 *meaning ascribed to it in NRS 391.032.*

21 **Sec. 4.** 1. This section becomes effective upon passage and
22 approval.

23 2. Sections 1, 2 and 3 of this act become effective:

24 (a) Upon passage and approval for the purpose of adopting any
25 regulations and performing any other preparatory administrative
26 tasks that are necessary to carry out the provisions of this act; and

27 (b) On July 1, 2026, for all other purposes.

