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SENATE BILL NO. 68—COMMITTEE ON
COMMERCE, LABOR AND ENERGY

(ON BEHALF OF THE OFFICE OF ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT)

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Referred to Committee on Commerce, Labor and Energy

SUMMARY—Revises provisions governing professions.
(BDR 54-290)

FISCAL NOTE: Effect on Local Government: No.
Effect on the State: No.

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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 professions; authorizing certain qualified professionals who hold a license in the District of Columbia or another state or territory of the United States to apply for the issuance of an expedited license by endorsement to practice in this State; revising provisions relating to certain limited licenses to practice medicine as a resident physician; and providing other matters properly relating thereto.

Legislative Counsel's Digest:

1 Sections **1.3, 1.5, 6.3, 6.4, 6.7, 7, 8.5, 11, 14, 18, 19, 25, 28, 32, 35, 36, 41, 45**
2 **and 50-54** of this bill authorize certain qualified physicians, podiatrists, other
3 providers of health care and professionals to obtain an expedited license by
4 endorsement to practice their respective professions in this State if the physician,
5 podiatrist, other provider of health care or professional holds a valid and
6 unrestricted license to practice in the District of Columbia or another state or
7 territory of the United States and meets certain other requirements. Specifically, an
8 expedited license by endorsement may be obtained from the Board of Medical
9 Examiners, the State Board of Nursing, the State Board of Osteopathic Medicine,
10 the State Board of Podiatry, the Board of Examiners for Audiology and Speech
11 Pathology, the State Board of Pharmacy, the State Board of Physical Therapy
12 Examiners, the Board of Occupational Therapy, the Board of Massage Therapists,
13 the Board of Psychological Examiners, the Board of Examiners for Marriage and
14 Family Therapists and Clinical Professional Counselors, the Board of Examiners
15 for Social Workers and the Board of Examiners for Alcohol, Drug and Gambling
16 Counselors. **Sections 1.3 and 8.5** require a physician or osteopathic physician to be



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17 certified in a specialty recognized by the American Board of Medical Specialties or
18 the American Osteopathic Association, as applicable, to obtain such an expedited
19 license by endorsement.

20 Existing law authorizes the Board of Medical Examiners and the State Board of
21 Osteopathic Medicine to issue a limited license to practice medicine as a resident
22 physician to an applicant who meets certain requirements. (NRS 630.265, 633.401)
23 **Sections 5 and 9** of this bill require, with limited exceptions, the Board of Medical
24 Examiners and the State Board of Osteopathic Medicine to issue those limited
25 licenses.

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

1 **Section 1.** Chapter 630 of NRS is hereby amended by adding
2 thereto the provisions set forth as sections 1.3 and 1.5 of this act:

3 **Sec. 1.3. 1.** *Except as otherwise provided in NRS 630.161,*
4 *the Board may issue a license by endorsement to practice medicine*
5 *to an applicant who meets the requirements set forth in this*
6 *section. An applicant may submit to the Board an application for*
7 *such a license if the applicant:*

8 *(a) Holds a corresponding valid and unrestricted license to*
9 *practice medicine in the District of Columbia or any state or*
10 *territory of the United States; and*

11 *(b) Is certified in a specialty recognized by the American*
12 *Board of Medical Specialties.*

13 **2.** *An applicant for a license by endorsement pursuant to this*
14 *section must submit to the Board with his or her application:*

15 *(a) Proof satisfactory to the Board that the applicant:*

16 *(1) Satisfies the requirements of subsection 1;*

17 *(2) Is a citizen of the United States or otherwise has the*
18 *legal right to work in the United States;*

19 *(3) Has not been disciplined or investigated by the*
20 *corresponding regulatory authority of the District of Columbia or*
21 *the state or territory in which the applicant holds a license to*
22 *practice medicine; and*

23 *(4) Has not been held civilly or criminally liable for*
24 *malpractice in the District of Columbia or any state or territory of*
25 *the United States more than once;*

26 *(b) A complete set of fingerprints and written permission*
27 *authorizing the Board to forward the fingerprints in the manner*
28 *provided in NRS 630.167;*

29 *(c) An affidavit stating that the information contained in the*
30 *application and any accompanying material is true and correct;*
31 *and*

32 *(d) Any other information required by the Board.*



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1 3. *Not later than 15 business days after receiving an*
2 *application for a license by endorsement to practice medicine*
3 *pursuant to this section, the Board shall provide written notice to*
4 *the applicant of any additional information required by the Board*
5 *to consider the application. Unless the Board denies the*
6 *application for good cause, the Board shall approve the*
7 *application and issue a license by endorsement to practice*
8 *medicine to the applicant not later than:*

9 (a) *Forty-five days after receiving the application; or*

10 (b) *Ten days after the Board receives a report on the*
11 *applicant's background based on the submission of the applicant's*
12 *fingerprints,*

13 *↳ whichever occurs later.*

14 4. *A license by endorsement to practice medicine may be*
15 *issued at a meeting of the Board or between its meetings by the*
16 *President and Executive Director of the Board. Such an action*
17 *shall be deemed to be an action of the Board.*

18 **Sec. 1.5. 1. The Board may issue a license by endorsement**
19 **to practice as a physician assistant to an applicant who meets the**
20 **requirements set forth in this section. An applicant may submit to**
21 **the Board an application for such a license if the applicant:**

22 (a) *Holds a corresponding valid and unrestricted license to*
23 *practice as a physician assistant in the District of Columbia or any*
24 *state or territory of the United States; and*

25 (b) *Is certified in a specialty recognized by the American*
26 *Board of Medical Specialties.*

27 2. *An applicant for a license by endorsement pursuant to this*
28 *section must submit to the Board with his or her application:*

29 (a) *Proof satisfactory to the Board that the applicant:*

30 (1) *Satisfies the requirements of subsection 1;*

31 (2) *Is a citizen of the United States or otherwise has the*
32 *legal right to work in the United States;*

33 (3) *Has not been disciplined or investigated by the*
34 *corresponding regulatory authority of the District of Columbia or*
35 *the state or territory in which the applicant holds a license to*
36 *practice as a physician assistant; and*

37 (4) *Has not been held civilly or criminally liable for*
38 *malpractice in the District of Columbia or any state or territory of*
39 *the United States more than once;*

40 (b) *A complete set of fingerprints and written permission*
41 *authorizing the Board to forward the fingerprints in the manner*
42 *provided in NRS 630.167;*

43 (c) *An affidavit stating that the information contained in the*
44 *application and any accompanying material is true and correct;*
45 *and*



1 (d) *Any other information required by the Board.*

2 3. *Not later than 15 business days after receiving an*
3 *application for a license by endorsement to practice as a physician*
4 *assistant pursuant to this section, the Board shall provide written*
5 *notice to the applicant of any additional information required by*
6 *the Board to consider the application. Unless the Board denies the*
7 *application for good cause, the Board shall approve the*
8 *application and issue a license by endorsement to practice as a*
9 *physician assistant to the applicant not later than:*

10 (a) *Forty-five days after receiving the application; or*

11 (b) *Ten days after the Board receives a report on the*
12 *applicant's background based on the submission of the applicant's*
13 *fingerprints,*

14 *↳ whichever occurs later.*

15 4. *A license by endorsement to practice as a physician*
16 *assistant may be issued at a meeting of the Board or between its*
17 *meetings by the President and Executive Director of the Board.*
18 *Such an action shall be deemed to be an action of the Board.*

19 **Sec. 2.** NRS 630.160 is hereby amended to read as follows:

20 630.160 1. Every person desiring to practice medicine must,
21 before beginning to practice, procure from the Board a license
22 authorizing the person to practice.

23 2. Except as otherwise provided in NRS 630.1605, 630.161
24 and 630.258 to 630.266, inclusive, *and section 1.3 of this act*, a
25 license may be issued to any person who:

26 (a) Is a citizen of the United States or is lawfully entitled to
27 remain and work in the United States;

28 (b) Has received the degree of doctor of medicine from a
29 medical school:

30 (1) Approved by the Liaison Committee on Medical
31 Education of the American Medical Association and Association of
32 American Medical Colleges; or

33 (2) Which provides a course of professional instruction
34 equivalent to that provided in medical schools in the United States
35 approved by the Liaison Committee on Medical Education;

36 (c) Is currently certified by a specialty board of the American
37 Board of Medical Specialties and who agrees to maintain the
38 certification for the duration of the licensure, or has passed:

39 (1) All parts of the examination given by the National Board
40 of Medical Examiners;

41 (2) All parts of the Federation Licensing Examination;

42 (3) All parts of the United States Medical Licensing
43 Examination;



1 (4) All parts of a licensing examination given by any state or
2 territory of the United States, if the applicant is certified by a
3 specialty board of the American Board of Medical Specialties;

4 (5) All parts of the examination to become a licentiate of the
5 Medical Council of Canada; or

6 (6) Any combination of the examinations specified in
7 subparagraphs (1), (2) and (3) that the Board determines to be
8 sufficient;

9 (d) Is currently certified by a specialty board of the American
10 Board of Medical Specialties in the specialty of emergency
11 medicine, preventive medicine or family practice and who agrees to
12 maintain certification in at least one of these specialties for the
13 duration of the licensure, or:

14 (1) Has completed 36 months of progressive postgraduate:

15 (I) Education as a resident in the United States or Canada
16 in a program approved by the Board, the Accreditation Council for
17 Graduate Medical Education, ~~for the [Coordinating Council of~~
18 ~~Medical Education of the Canadian Medical Association.]~~ *Royal*
19 *College of Physicians and Surgeons of Canada, the College des*
20 *medecins du Quebec, the College of Family Physicians of Canada*
21 *or, as applicable, their successor organizations;* or

22 (II) Fellowship training in the United States or Canada
23 approved by the Board or the Accreditation Council for Graduate
24 Medical Education;

25 (2) Has completed at least 36 months of postgraduate
26 education, not less than 24 months of which must have been
27 completed as a resident after receiving a medical degree from a
28 combined dental and medical degree program approved by the
29 Board; or

30 (3) Is a resident who is enrolled in a progressive postgraduate
31 training program in the United States or Canada approved by the
32 Board, the Accreditation Council for Graduate Medical Education,
33 ~~for the [Coordinating Council of Medical Education of the~~
34 ~~Canadian Medical Association.]~~ *Royal College of Physicians and*
35 *Surgeons of Canada, the College des medecins du Quebec, the*
36 *College of Family Physicians of Canada or, as applicable, their*
37 *successor organizations,* has completed at least 24 months of the
38 program and has committed, in writing, to the Board that he or she
39 will complete the program; and

40 (e) Passes a written or oral examination, or both, as to his or her
41 qualifications to practice medicine and provides the Board with a
42 description of the clinical program completed demonstrating that the
43 applicant's clinical training met the requirements of paragraph (b).

44 3. The Board may issue a license to practice medicine after
45 the Board verifies, through any readily available source, that the



1 applicant has complied with the provisions of subsection 2. The
2 verification may include, but is not limited to, using the Federation
3 Credentials Verification Service. If any information is verified by a
4 source other than the primary source of the information, the Board
5 may require subsequent verification of the information by the
6 primary source of the information.

7 4. Notwithstanding any provision of this chapter to the
8 contrary, if, after issuing a license to practice medicine, the Board
9 obtains information from a primary or other source of information
10 and that information differs from the information provided by the
11 applicant or otherwise received by the Board, the Board may:

12 (a) Temporarily suspend the license;

13 (b) Promptly review the differing information with the Board as
14 a whole or in a committee appointed by the Board;

15 (c) Declare the license void if the Board or a committee
16 appointed by the Board determines that the information submitted
17 by the applicant was false, fraudulent or intended to deceive the
18 Board;

19 (d) Refer the applicant to the Attorney General for possible
20 criminal prosecution pursuant to NRS 630.400; or

21 (e) If the Board temporarily suspends the license, allow the
22 license to return to active status subject to any terms and conditions
23 specified by the Board, including:

24 (1) Placing the licensee on probation for a specified period
25 with specified conditions;

26 (2) Administering a public reprimand;

27 (3) Limiting the practice of the licensee;

28 (4) Suspending the license for a specified period or until
29 further order of the Board;

30 (5) Requiring the licensee to participate in a program to
31 correct alcohol or drug dependence or any other impairment;

32 (6) Requiring supervision of the practice of the licensee;

33 (7) Imposing an administrative fine not to exceed \$5,000;

34 (8) Requiring the licensee to perform community service
35 without compensation;

36 (9) Requiring the licensee to take a physical or mental
37 examination or an examination testing his or her competence to
38 practice medicine;

39 (10) Requiring the licensee to complete any training or
40 educational requirements specified by the Board; and

41 (11) Requiring the licensee to submit a corrected application,
42 including the payment of all appropriate fees and costs incident to
43 submitting an application.

44 5. If the Board determines after reviewing the differing
45 information to allow the license to remain in active status, the action



1 of the Board is not a disciplinary action and must not be reported to
2 any national database. If the Board determines after reviewing the
3 differing information to declare the license void, its action shall be
4 deemed a disciplinary action and shall be reportable to national
5 databases.

6 **Sec. 3.** NRS 630.165 is hereby amended to read as follows:

7 630.165 1. Except as otherwise provided in subsection 2, an
8 applicant for a license to practice medicine must submit to the
9 Board, on a form provided by the Board, an application in writing,
10 accompanied by an affidavit stating that:

11 (a) The applicant is the person named in the proof of graduation
12 and that it was obtained without fraud or misrepresentation or any
13 mistake of which the applicant is aware; and

14 (b) The information contained in the application and any
15 accompanying material is complete and correct.

16 2. An applicant for a license by endorsement to practice
17 medicine pursuant to NRS 630.1605 *or section 1.3 of this act* must
18 submit to the Board, on a form provided by the Board, an
19 application in writing, accompanied by an affidavit stating that:

20 (a) The applicant is the person named in the license to practice
21 medicine issued by the District of Columbia or any state or territory
22 of the United States and that the license was obtained without fraud
23 or misrepresentation or any mistake of which the applicant is aware;
24 and

25 (b) The information contained in the application and any
26 accompanying material is complete and correct.

27 3. An application submitted pursuant to subsection 1 or 2 must
28 include all information required to complete the application.

29 4. In addition to the other requirements for licensure, the Board
30 may require such further evidence of the mental, physical, medical
31 or other qualifications of the applicant as it considers necessary.

32 5. The applicant bears the burden of proving and documenting
33 his or her qualifications for licensure.

34 **Sec. 3.5.** NRS 630.195 is hereby amended to read as follows:

35 630.195 1. ~~##~~ *Except as otherwise provided in section 1.3*
36 *of this act, in* addition to the other requirements for licensure, an
37 applicant for a license to practice medicine who is a graduate of a
38 foreign medical school shall submit to the Board proof that the
39 applicant has received:

40 (a) The degree of doctor of medicine or its equivalent, as
41 determined by the Board; and

42 (b) The standard certificate of the Educational Commission for
43 Foreign Medical Graduates or a written statement from that
44 Commission that the applicant passed the examination given by the
45 Commission.



1 2. The proof of the degree of doctor of medicine or its
2 equivalent must be submitted directly to the Board by the medical
3 school that granted the degree. If proof of the degree is unavailable
4 from the medical school that granted the degree, the Board may
5 accept proof from any other source specified by the Board.

6 **Sec. 4.** NRS 630.258 is hereby amended to read as follows:

7 630.258 1. A physician who is retired from active practice
8 and who:

9 (a) Wishes to donate his or her expertise for the medical care
10 and treatment of persons in this State who are indigent, uninsured or
11 unable to afford health care; or

12 (b) Wishes to provide services for any disaster relief operations
13 conducted by a governmental entity or nonprofit organization,
14 ↪ may obtain a special volunteer medical license by submitting an
15 application to the Board pursuant to this section.

16 2. An application for a special volunteer medical license must
17 be on a form provided by the Board and must include:

18 (a) Documentation of the history of medical practice of the
19 physician;

20 (b) Proof that the physician previously has been issued an
21 unrestricted license to practice medicine in any state of the United
22 States and that the physician has never been the subject of
23 disciplinary action by a medical board in any jurisdiction;

24 (c) Proof that the physician satisfies the requirements for
25 licensure set forth in NRS 630.160 or the requirements for licensure
26 by endorsement set forth in NRS 630.1605 ~~§~~ *or section 1.3 of this*
27 *act;*

28 (d) Acknowledgment that the practice of the physician under the
29 special volunteer medical license will be exclusively devoted to
30 providing medical care:

31 (1) To persons in this State who are indigent, uninsured or
32 unable to afford health care; or

33 (2) As part of any disaster relief operations conducted by a
34 governmental entity or nonprofit organization; and

35 (e) Acknowledgment that the physician will not receive any
36 payment or compensation, either direct or indirect, or have the
37 expectation of any payment or compensation, for providing medical
38 care under the special volunteer medical license, except for payment
39 by a medical facility at which the physician provides volunteer
40 medical services of the expenses of the physician for necessary
41 travel, continuing education, malpractice insurance or fees of the
42 State Board of Pharmacy.

43 3. If the Board finds that the application of a physician satisfies
44 the requirements of subsection 2 and that the retired physician is



1 competent to practice medicine, the Board shall issue a special
2 volunteer medical license to the physician.

3 4. The initial special volunteer medical license issued pursuant
4 to this section expires 1 year after the date of issuance. The license
5 may be renewed pursuant to this section, and any license that is
6 renewed expires 2 years after the date of issuance.

7 5. The Board shall not charge a fee for:

8 (a) The review of an application for a special volunteer medical
9 license; or

10 (b) The issuance or renewal of a special volunteer medical
11 license pursuant to this section.

12 6. A physician who is issued a special volunteer medical
13 license pursuant to this section and who accepts the privilege of
14 practicing medicine in this State pursuant to the provisions of the
15 special volunteer medical license is subject to all the provisions
16 governing disciplinary action set forth in this chapter.

17 7. A physician who is issued a special volunteer medical
18 license pursuant to this section shall comply with the requirements
19 for continuing education adopted by the Board.

20 **Sec. 5.** NRS 630.265 is hereby amended to read as follows:

21 630.265 1. ~~{Except as otherwise provided in}~~ *Unless the*
22 *Board denies such licensure pursuant to* NRS 630.161 ~~{}~~ *or for*
23 *other good cause,* the Board ~~{may}~~ *shall* issue to a qualified
24 applicant a limited license to practice medicine as a resident
25 physician in a graduate program approved by the Accreditation
26 Council for Graduate Medical Education if the applicant is:

27 (a) A graduate of an accredited medical school in the United
28 States or Canada; or

29 (b) A graduate of a foreign medical school and has received the
30 standard certificate of the Educational Commission for Foreign
31 Medical Graduates or a written statement from that Commission that
32 the applicant passed the examination given by it.

33 2. The medical school or other institution sponsoring the
34 program shall provide the Board with written confirmation that the
35 applicant has been appointed to a position in the program and is a
36 citizen of the United States or lawfully entitled to remain and work
37 in the United States. A limited license remains valid only while the
38 licensee is actively practicing medicine in the residency program
39 and is legally entitled to work and remain in the United States.

40 3. The Board may issue a limited license for not more than 1
41 year but may renew the license if the applicant for the limited
42 license meets the requirements set forth by the Board by regulation.

43 4. The holder of a limited license may practice medicine only
44 in connection with his or her duties as a resident physician or under
45 such conditions as are approved by the director of the program.



1 5. The holder of a limited license granted pursuant to this
2 section may be disciplined by the Board at any time for any of the
3 grounds provided in NRS 630.161 or 630.301 to 630.3065,
4 inclusive.

5 **Sec. 6.** NRS 630.268 is hereby amended to read as follows:

6 630.268 1. The Board shall charge and collect not more than
7 the following fees:

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9	For application for and issuance of a license to	
10	practice as a physician, including a license by	
11	endorsement	\$600
12	For application for and issuance of a temporary,	
13	locum tenens, limited, restricted, authorized	
14	facility, special, special purpose or special event	
15	license.....	400
16	For renewal of a limited, restricted, authorized	
17	facility or special license.....	400
18	For application for and issuance of a license as a	
19	physician assistant , <i>including a license by</i>	
20	<i>endorsement</i>	400
21	For biennial registration of a physician assistant.....	800
22	For biennial registration of a physician.....	800
23	For application for and issuance of a license as a	
24	perfusionist or practitioner of respiratory care.....	400
25	For biennial renewal of a license as a perfusionist.....	600
26	For biennial registration of a practitioner of	
27	respiratory care.....	600
28	For biennial registration for a physician who is on	
29	inactive status.....	400
30	For written verification of licensure.....	50
31	For a duplicate identification card.....	25
32	For a duplicate license.....	50
33	For computer printouts or labels.....	500
34	For verification of a listing of physicians, per hour.....	20
35	For furnishing a list of new physicians.....	100
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37 2. ~~Has~~ *Except as otherwise provided in subsection 4, in*
38 addition to the fees prescribed in subsection 1, the Board shall
39 charge and collect necessary and reasonable fees for the expedited
40 processing of a request or for any other incidental service the Board
41 provides.

42 3. The cost of any special meeting called at the request of a
43 licensee, an institution, an organization, a state agency or an
44 applicant for licensure must be paid for by the person or entity
45 requesting the special meeting. Such a special meeting must not be



1 called until the person or entity requesting it has paid a cash deposit
2 with the Board sufficient to defray all expenses of the meeting.

3 *4. If an applicant submits an application for a license by*
4 *endorsement pursuant to section 1.3 or 1.5 of this act, as*
5 *applicable, the Board shall charge and collect not more than the*
6 *fee specified in subsection 1 for the application for and initial*
7 *issuance of a license.*

8 **Sec. 6.1.** NRS 630.275 is hereby amended to read as follows:

9 630.275 The Board shall adopt regulations regarding the
10 licensure of a physician assistant, including, but not limited to:

- 11 1. The educational and other qualifications of applicants.
- 12 2. The required academic program for applicants.
- 13 3. The procedures for applications for and the issuance of
14 licenses.

15 4. *The procedures deemed necessary by the Board for*
16 *applications for and the initial issuance of licenses by*
17 *endorsement pursuant to section 1.5 of this act.*

18 5. The tests or examinations of applicants by the Board.

19 ~~6.~~ 6. The medical services which a physician assistant may
20 perform, except that a physician assistant may not perform those
21 specific functions and duties delegated or restricted by law to
22 persons licensed as dentists, chiropractors, podiatric physicians and
23 optometrists under chapters 631, 634, 635 and 636, respectively, of
24 NRS, or as hearing aid specialists.

25 ~~7.~~ 7. The duration, renewal and termination of licenses ~~†~~
26 ~~—7.†, including licenses by endorsement.~~

27 8. The grounds and procedures respecting disciplinary actions
28 against physician assistants.

29 ~~9.~~ 9. The supervision of medical services of a physician
30 assistant by a supervising physician, including, without limitation,
31 supervision that is performed electronically, telephonically or by
32 fiber optics from within or outside this State or the United States.

33 ~~10.~~ 10. A physician assistant's use of equipment that transfers
34 information concerning the medical condition of a patient in this
35 State electronically, telephonically or by fiber optics from within or
36 outside this State or the United States.

37 **Sec. 6.2.** Chapter 632 of NRS is hereby amended by adding
38 thereto the provisions set forth as sections 6.3 and 6.4 of this act.

39 **Sec. 6.3.** *1. Except as otherwise provided in NRS 632.3405,*
40 *the Board may issue a license by endorsement to practice as a*
41 *professional nurse to an applicant who meets the requirements set*
42 *forth in this section. An applicant may submit to the Board an*
43 *application for such a license if the applicant holds a*
44 *corresponding valid and unrestricted license to practice as a*



1 *professional nurse in the District of Columbia or any state or*
2 *territory of the United States.*

3 2. *An applicant for a license by endorsement pursuant to this*
4 *section must submit to the Board with his or her application:*

5 (a) *Proof satisfactory to the Board that the applicant:*

6 (1) *Satisfies the requirements of subsection 1;*

7 (2) *Is a citizen of the United States or otherwise has the*
8 *legal right to work in the United States;*

9 (3) *Has not been disciplined or investigated by the*
10 *corresponding regulatory authority of the District of Columbia or*
11 *the state or territory in which the applicant holds a license to*
12 *practice as a professional nurse; and*

13 (4) *Has not been held civilly or criminally liable for*
14 *malpractice in the District of Columbia or any state or territory of*
15 *the United States more than once;*

16 (b) *A complete set of fingerprints and written permission*
17 *authorizing the Board to forward the fingerprints in the manner*
18 *provided in NRS 632.344;*

19 (c) *An affidavit stating that the information contained in the*
20 *application and any accompanying material is true and correct;*
21 *and*

22 (d) *Any other information required by the Board.*

23 3. *Not later than 15 business days after receiving an*
24 *application for a license by endorsement to practice as a*
25 *professional nurse pursuant to this section, the Board shall*
26 *provide written notice to the applicant of any additional*
27 *information required by the Board to consider the application.*
28 *Unless the Board denies the application for good cause, the Board*
29 *shall approve the application and issue a license by endorsement*
30 *to practice as a professional nurse to the applicant not later than:*

31 (a) *Forty-five days after receiving the application; or*

32 (b) *Ten days after the Board receives a report on the*
33 *applicant's background based on the submission of the applicant's*
34 *fingerprints,*

35 *↳ whichever occurs later.*

36 4. *A license by endorsement to practice as a professional*
37 *nurse may be issued at a meeting of the Board or between its*
38 *meetings by the President and Executive Director of the Board.*
39 *Such an action shall be deemed to be an action of the Board.*

40 **Sec. 6.4.** 1. *Except as otherwise provided in NRS 632.3405,*
41 *the Board may issue a license by endorsement to practice as a*
42 *practical nurse to an applicant who meets the requirements set*
43 *forth in this section. An applicant may submit to the Board an*
44 *application for such a license if the applicant holds a*
45 *corresponding valid and unrestricted license to practice as a*



1 *practical nurse in the District of Columbia or any state or territory*
2 *of the United States.*

3 2. *An applicant for a license by endorsement pursuant to this*
4 *section must submit to the Board with his or her application:*

5 (a) *Proof satisfactory to the Board that the applicant:*

6 (1) *Satisfies the requirements of subsection 1;*

7 (2) *Is a citizen of the United States or otherwise has the*
8 *legal right to work in the United States;*

9 (3) *Has not been disciplined or investigated by the*
10 *corresponding regulatory authority of the District of Columbia or*
11 *the state or territory in which the applicant holds a license to*
12 *practice as a practical nurse; and*

13 (4) *Has not been held civilly or criminally liable for*
14 *malpractice in the District of Columbia or any state or territory of*
15 *the United States more than once;*

16 (b) *A complete set of fingerprints and written permission*
17 *authorizing the Board to forward the fingerprints in the manner*
18 *provided in NRS 632.344;*

19 (c) *An affidavit stating that the information contained in the*
20 *application and any accompanying material is true and correct;*
21 *and*

22 (d) *Any other information required by the Board.*

23 3. *Not later than 15 business days after receiving an*
24 *application for a license by endorsement to practice as a practical*
25 *nurse pursuant to this section, the Board shall provide written*
26 *notice to the applicant of any additional information required by*
27 *the Board to consider the application. Unless the Board denies the*
28 *application for good cause, the Board shall approve the*
29 *application and issue a license by endorsement to practice as a*
30 *practical nurse to the applicant not later than:*

31 (a) *Forty-five days after receiving the application; or*

32 (b) *Ten days after the Board receives a report on the*
33 *applicant's background based on the submission of the applicant's*
34 *fingerprints,*

35 *↳ whichever occurs later.*

36 4. *A license by endorsement to practice as a practical nurse*
37 *may be issued at a meeting of the Board or between its meetings by*
38 *the President and Executive Director of the Board. Such an action*
39 *shall be deemed to be an action of the Board.*

40 **Sec. 6.5.** *NRS 632.140 is hereby amended to read as follows:*

41 632.140 *Except as otherwise provided in section 6.3 of this*
42 *act:*

43 1. *Every applicant for a license to practice as a professional*
44 *nurse in the State of Nevada must submit to the Board written*
45 *evidence under oath that the applicant:*



- 1 (a) Is of good moral character.
- 2 (b) Is in good physical and mental health.
- 3 (c) Has completed a course of study in:
 - 4 (1) An accredited school of professional nursing and holds a
 - 5 diploma therefrom; or
 - 6 (2) An approved school of professional nursing in the
 - 7 process of obtaining accreditation and holds a diploma therefrom.
- 8 (d) Meets such other reasonable preliminary qualification
- 9 requirements as the Board may from time to time prescribe.
- 10 2. Each applicant must remit the fee required by this chapter
- 11 with the application for a license to practice as a professional nurse
- 12 in this State.

13 **Sec. 6.6.** NRS 632.150 is hereby amended to read as follows:
14 632.150 1. ~~Each~~ *Except as otherwise provided in NRS*
15 *632.160, 632.237 and section 6.3 of this act, each* applicant who is
16 otherwise qualified for a license to practice nursing as a professional
17 nurse shall be required to write and pass an examination on such
18 subjects and in such form as the Board may from time to time
19 determine. Such written examination may be supplemented by an
20 oral or practical examination in the discretion of the Board.
21 2. The Board shall issue a license to practice nursing as a
22 professional nurse in the State of Nevada to each applicant who
23 successfully passes such examination or examinations.

24 **Sec. 6.7.** NRS 632.237 is hereby amended to read as follows:
25 632.237 1. The Board may issue a license to practice as an
26 advanced practice registered nurse to a registered nurse : ~~who~~
27 (a) *Who is licensed by endorsement pursuant to section 6.3 of*
28 *this act and holds a corresponding valid and unrestricted license*
29 *to practice as an advanced practice registered nurse in the District*
30 *of Columbia or any other state or territory of the United States; or*
31 (b) *Who:*

- 32 (1) Has completed an educational program designed to
- 33 prepare a registered nurse to:
 - 34 ~~(1)~~ (I) Perform designated acts of medical diagnosis;
 - 35 ~~(2)~~ (II) Prescribe therapeutic or corrective measures; and
 - 36 ~~(3)~~ (III) Prescribe controlled substances, poisons,
 - 37 dangerous drugs and devices;
- 38 ~~(b)~~ (2) Except as otherwise provided in subsection 5, submits
- 39 proof that he or she is certified as an advanced practice registered
- 40 nurse by the American Board of Nursing Specialties, the National
- 41 Commission for Certifying Agencies of the Institute for
- 42 Credentialing Excellence, or their successor organizations, or any
- 43 other nationally recognized certification agency approved by the
- 44 Board; and



1 ~~(e)~~ (3) Meets any other requirements established by the Board
2 for such licensure.

3 2. An advanced practice registered nurse may:

4 (a) Engage in selected medical diagnosis and treatment; and

5 (b) If authorized pursuant to NRS 639.2351 and subject to the
6 limitations set forth in subsection 3, prescribe controlled substances,
7 poisons, dangerous drugs and devices.

8 ➔ An advanced practice registered nurse shall not engage in any
9 diagnosis, treatment or other conduct which the advanced practice
10 registered nurse is not qualified to perform.

11 3. An advanced practice registered nurse who is authorized to
12 prescribe controlled substances, poisons, dangerous drugs and
13 devices pursuant to NRS 639.2351 shall not prescribe a controlled
14 substance listed in schedule II unless:

15 (a) The advanced practice registered nurse has at least 2 years or
16 2,000 hours of clinical experience; or

17 (b) The controlled substance is prescribed pursuant to a protocol
18 approved by a collaborating physician.

19 4. An advanced practice registered nurse may perform the acts
20 described in subsection 2 by using equipment that transfers
21 information concerning the medical condition of a patient in this
22 State electronically, telephonically or by fiber optics from within or
23 outside this State or the United States.

24 5. The Board shall adopt regulations:

25 (a) Specifying any additional training, education and experience
26 necessary for licensure as an advanced practice registered nurse.

27 (b) Delineating the authorized scope of practice of an advanced
28 practice registered nurse.

29 (c) Establishing the procedure for application for licensure as an
30 advanced practice registered nurse.

31 6. The provisions of *subparagraph (2) of* paragraph (b) of
32 subsection 1 do not apply to an advanced practice registered nurse
33 who obtains a license before July 1, 2014.

34 **Sec. 6.8.** NRS 632.270 is hereby amended to read as follows:

35 632.270 ~~Each~~ *Except as otherwise provided in section 6.4 of*
36 *this act, each* applicant for a license to practice as a practical nurse
37 must submit to the Board written evidence, under oath, that the
38 applicant:

39 1. Is of good moral character.

40 2. Has a high school diploma or its equivalent as determined by
41 the State Board of Education.

42 3. Is at least 18 years of age.

43 4. Has:



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- 1 (a) Successfully completed the prescribed course of study in an
- 2 accredited school of practical nursing or an accredited school of
- 3 professional nursing, and been awarded a diploma by the school;
- 4 (b) Successfully completed the prescribed course of study in an
- 5 approved school of practical nursing in the process of obtaining
- 6 accreditation or an approved school of professional nursing in the
- 7 process of obtaining accreditation, and been awarded a diploma by
- 8 the school; or
- 9 (c) Been registered or licensed as a registered nurse under the
- 10 laws of another jurisdiction.

11 5. Meets any other qualifications prescribed in regulations of
 12 the Board.

13 **Sec. 6.9.** NRS 632.345 is hereby amended to read as follows:

14 632.345 1. The Board shall establish and may amend a
 15 schedule of fees and charges for the following items and within the
 16 following ranges:

	Not less than	Not more than
20 Application for license to practice 21 professional nursing (registered 22 nurse) , <i>including a license by 23 endorsement</i>	\$45	\$100
24 Application for license to practice 25 practical nursing , <i>including a 26 license by endorsement</i>	30	90
27 Application for temporary license to 28 practice professional nursing or 29 practical nursing pursuant to NRS 30 632.300, which fee must be 31 credited toward the fee required 32 for a regular license, if the 33 applicant applies for a license	15	50
34 Application for a certificate to 35 practice as a nursing assistant or 36 medication aide - certified.....	15	50
37 Application for a temporary 38 certificate to practice as a nursing 39 assistant pursuant to NRS 40 632.300, which fee must be 41 credited toward the fee required 42 for a regular certificate, if the 43 applicant applies for a certificate	5	40
44 Biennial fee for renewal of a license	40	100



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3	Approval of training programs	\$150	\$250
4	Validation of licensure or		
5	certification	5	25

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7 2. The Board may collect the fees and charges established
8 pursuant to this section, and those fees or charges must not be
9 refunded.

10 **Sec. 7.** Chapter 633 of NRS is hereby amended by adding
11 thereto a new section to read as follows:

12 *1. The Board may issue a license by endorsement to practice*
13 *as a physician assistant to an applicant who meets the*
14 *requirements set forth in this section. An applicant may submit to*
15 *the Board an application for such a license if the applicant:*

16 *(a) Holds a corresponding valid and unrestricted license to*
17 *practice as a physician assistant in the District of Columbia or any*
18 *state or territory of the United States; and*

19 *(b) Is certified in a specialty recognized by the American*
20 *Board of Medical Specialties.*

21 *2. An applicant for a license by endorsement pursuant to this*
22 *section must submit to the Board with his or her application:*

23 *(a) Proof satisfactory to the Board that the applicant:*

24 *(1) Satisfies the requirements of subsection 1;*
25 *(2) Is a citizen of the United States or otherwise has the*
26 *legal right to work in the United States;*

27 *(3) Has not been disciplined or investigated by the*
28 *corresponding regulatory authority of the District of Columbia or*
29 *the state or territory in which the applicant holds a license to*
30 *practice as a physician assistant; and*

31 *(4) Has not been held civilly or criminally liable for*
32 *malpractice in the District of Columbia or any state or territory of*
33 *the United States more than once;*

34 *(b) A complete set of fingerprints and written permission*
35 *authorizing the Board to forward the fingerprints in the manner*
36 *provided in NRS 633.309;*

37 *(c) An affidavit stating that the information contained in the*
38 *application and any accompanying material is true and correct;*

39 *(d) The application and initial license fee specified in this*
40 *chapter; and*

41 *(e) Any other information required by the Board.*

42 *3. Not later than 15 business days after receiving an*
43 *application for a license by endorsement to practice as a physician*
44 *assistant pursuant to this section, the Board shall provide written*
45 *notice to the applicant of any additional information required by*



1 *the Board to consider the application. Unless the Board denies the*
2 *application for good cause, the Board shall approve the*
3 *application and issue a license by endorsement to practice as a*
4 *physician assistant to the applicant not later than:*

5 (a) *Forty-five days after receiving the application; or*

6 (b) *Ten days after the Board receives a report on the*
7 *applicant's background based on the submission of the applicant's*
8 *fingerprints,*

9 *↳ whichever occurs later.*

10 4. *A license by endorsement to practice as a physician*
11 *assistant may be issued at a meeting of the Board or between its*
12 *meetings by the President and Executive Director of the Board.*
13 *Such an action shall be deemed to be an action of the Board.*

14 **Sec. 7.5.** NRS 633.305 is hereby amended to read as follows:

15 633.305 *Except as otherwise provided in section 7 of this act*
16 *and NRS 633.400:*

17 1. Every applicant for a license shall:

18 (a) File an application with the Board in the manner prescribed
19 by regulations of the Board;

20 (b) Submit verified proof satisfactory to the Board that the
21 applicant meets any age, citizenship and educational requirements
22 prescribed by this chapter; and

23 (c) Pay in advance to the Board the application and initial
24 license fee specified in NRS 633.501.

25 2. An application filed with the Board pursuant to subsection 1
26 must include all information required to complete the application.

27 3. The Board may hold hearings and conduct investigations
28 into any matter related to the application and, in addition to the
29 proofs required by subsection 1, may take such further evidence and
30 require such other documents or proof of qualifications as it deems
31 proper.

32 4. The Board may reject an application if the Board has cause
33 to believe that any credential or information submitted by the
34 applicant is false, misleading, deceptive or fraudulent.

35 **Sec. 8.** NRS 633.311 is hereby amended to read as follows:

36 633.311 *Except as otherwise provided in NRS 633.315 ~~H~~ and*
37 *633.381 to 633.419, inclusive,* an applicant for a license to practice
38 osteopathic medicine may be issued a license by the Board if:

39 1. The applicant is 21 years of age or older;

40 2. The applicant is a citizen of the United States or is lawfully
41 entitled to remain and work in the United States;

42 3. The applicant is a graduate of a school of osteopathic
43 medicine;

44 4. The applicant:



1 (a) Has graduated from a school of osteopathic medicine before
2 1995 and has completed:

3 (1) A hospital internship; or
4 (2) One year of postgraduate training that complies with the
5 standards of intern training established by the American Osteopathic
6 Association;

7 (b) Has completed 3 years, or such other length of time as
8 required by a specific program, of postgraduate medical education
9 as a resident in the United States or Canada in a program approved
10 by the Board, the Bureau of Professional Education of the American
11 Osteopathic Association or the Accreditation Council for Graduate
12 Medical Education; or

13 (c) Is a resident who is enrolled in a postgraduate training
14 program in this State, has completed 24 months of the program and
15 has committed, in writing, that he or she will complete the program;

16 5. The applicant applies for the license as provided by law;

17 6. The applicant passes:

18 (a) All parts of the licensing examination of the National Board
19 of Osteopathic Medical Examiners;

20 (b) All parts of the licensing examination of the Federation of
21 State Medical Boards ; ~~of the United States, Inc.;~~

22 (c) All parts of the licensing examination of the Board, a state,
23 territory or possession of the United States, or the District of
24 Columbia, and is certified by a specialty board of the American
25 Osteopathic Association or by the American Board of Medical
26 Specialties; or

27 (d) A combination of the parts of the licensing examinations
28 specified in paragraphs (a), (b) and (c) that is approved by the
29 Board;

30 7. The applicant pays the fees provided for in this chapter; and

31 8. The applicant submits all information required to complete
32 an application for a license.

33 **Sec. 8.5.** NRS 633.400 is hereby amended to read as follows:

34 633.400 1. Except as otherwise provided in NRS 633.315,
35 the Board shall, except for good cause, issue a license by
36 endorsement to a person who has been issued a license to practice
37 osteopathic medicine by the District of Columbia or any state or
38 territory of the United States if:

39 (a) At the time the person files an application with the Board,
40 the license is in effect and unrestricted; and

41 (b) The applicant:

42 (1) Is currently certified by either a specialty board of the
43 American Board of Medical Specialties or a specialty board of the
44 American Osteopathic Association, or was certified or recertified
45 within the past 10 years;



1 (2) Has had no adverse actions reported to the National
2 Practitioner Data Bank within the past 5 years;

3 (3) Has been continuously and actively engaged in the
4 practice of osteopathic medicine within his or her specialty for the
5 past 5 years;

6 (4) Is not involved in and does not have pending any
7 disciplinary action concerning a license to practice osteopathic
8 medicine in the District of Columbia or any state or territory of the
9 United States;

10 (5) Provides information on all the medical malpractice
11 claims brought against him or her, without regard to when the
12 claims were filed or how the claims were resolved; and

13 (6) Meets all statutory requirements to obtain a license to
14 practice osteopathic medicine in this State except that the applicant
15 is not required to meet the requirements set forth in NRS 633.311.

16 2. Any person applying for a license *by endorsement* pursuant
17 to this section shall ~~pay in~~ *submit*:

18 (a) *A complete set of fingerprints and written permission*
19 *authorizing the Board to forward the fingerprints in the manner*
20 *provided in NRS 633.309;*

21 (b) *An affidavit stating that the information contained in the*
22 *application and any accompanying material is true and correct;*

23 (c) *In advance to the Board the application and initial license fee*
24 *specified in this chapter ~~+~~; and*

25 (d) *Any other information required by the Board.*

26 3. *Not later than 15 business days after receiving an*
27 *application for a license by endorsement pursuant to this section,*
28 *the Board shall provide written notice to the applicant of any*
29 *additional information required by the Board to consider the*
30 *application. Unless the Board denies the application for good*
31 *cause, the Board shall approve the application and issue a license*
32 *by endorsement to the applicant not later than:*

33 (a) *Forty-five days after receiving the application; or*

34 (b) *Ten days after the Board receives a report on the*
35 *applicant's background based on the submission of the applicant's*
36 *fingerprints,*

37 *whichever occurs later.*

38 4. A license by endorsement may be issued at a meeting of the
39 Board or between its meetings by its President and Executive
40 Director. Such action shall be deemed to be an action of the Board.

41 **Sec. 9.** NRS 633.401 is hereby amended to read as follows:

42 633.401 1. ~~Except as otherwise provided in~~ *Unless the*
43 *Board denies such licensure pursuant to NRS 633.315 ~~+~~ or for*
44 *other good cause, the Board ~~may~~ shall* issue a special license to
45 practice osteopathic medicine:



1 (a) To authorize a person who is licensed to practice osteopathic
2 medicine in an adjoining state to come into Nevada to care for or
3 assist in the treatment of his or her patients in association with an
4 osteopathic physician in this State who has primary care of the
5 patients.

6 (b) To a resident while the resident is enrolled in a postgraduate
7 training program required pursuant to the provisions of paragraph
8 (c) of subsection 4 of NRS 633.311.

9 (c) Other than a license issued pursuant to NRS 633.419, for a
10 specified period and for specified purposes to a person who is
11 licensed to practice osteopathic medicine in another jurisdiction.

12 2. For the purpose of paragraph (c) of subsection 1, the
13 osteopathic physician must:

14 (a) Hold a full and unrestricted license to practice osteopathic
15 medicine in another state;

16 (b) Not have had any disciplinary or other action taken against
17 him or her by any state or other jurisdiction; and

18 (c) Be certified by a specialty board of the American Board of
19 Medical Specialties, the American Osteopathic Association or their
20 successors.

21 3. A special license issued under this section may be renewed
22 by the Board upon application of the licensee.

23 4. Every person who applies for or renews a special license
24 under this section shall pay respectively the special license fee or
25 special license renewal fee specified in this chapter.

26 **Sec. 10.** (Deleted by amendment.)

27 **Sec. 10.5.** NRS 633.434 is hereby amended to read as follows:

28 633.434 The Board shall adopt regulations regarding the
29 licensure of a physician assistant, including, without limitation:

30 1. The educational and other qualifications of applicants.

31 2. The required academic program for applicants.

32 3. The procedures for applications for and the issuance of
33 licenses.

34 4. *The procedures deemed necessary by the Board for*
35 *applications for and the issuance of initial licenses by*
36 *endorsement pursuant to section 7 of this act.*

37 5. The tests or examinations of applicants by the Board.

38 ~~5-~~ 6. The medical services which a physician assistant may
39 perform, except that a physician assistant may not perform
40 osteopathic manipulative therapy or those specific functions and
41 duties delegated or restricted by law to persons licensed as dentists,
42 chiropractors, doctors of Oriental medicine, podiatric physicians,
43 optometrists and hearing aid specialists under chapters 631, 634,
44 634A, 635, 636 and 637A, respectively, of NRS.



1 ~~16~~ 7. The grounds and procedures respecting disciplinary
2 actions against physician assistants.

3 ~~17~~ 8. The supervision of medical services of a physician
4 assistant by a supervising osteopathic physician.

5 **Sec. 11.** Chapter 635 of NRS is hereby amended by adding
6 thereto a new section to read as follows:

7 *1. Except as otherwise provided in NRS 635.073, the Board*
8 *may issue a license by endorsement to practice podiatry to an*
9 *applicant who meets the requirements set forth in this section. An*
10 *applicant may submit to the Board an application for such a*
11 *license if the applicant holds a corresponding valid and*
12 *unrestricted license to practice podiatry in the District of*
13 *Columbia or any state or territory of the United States.*

14 *2. An applicant for a license by endorsement pursuant to this*
15 *section must submit to the Board with his or her application:*

16 *(a) Proof satisfactory to the Board that the applicant:*

17 *(1) Satisfies the requirements of subsection 1;*

18 *(2) Is a citizen of the United States or otherwise has the*
19 *legal right to work in the United States;*

20 *(3) Has not been disciplined or investigated by the*
21 *corresponding regulatory authority of the District of Columbia or*
22 *the state or territory in which the applicant holds a license to*
23 *practice podiatry; and*

24 *(4) Has not been held civilly or criminally liable for*
25 *malpractice in the District of Columbia or any state or territory of*
26 *the United States more than once;*

27 *(b) An affidavit stating that the information contained in the*
28 *application and any accompanying material is true and correct;*

29 *(c) A fee in the amount of the fee for an application for a*
30 *license required pursuant to paragraph (a) of subsection 3 of NRS*
31 *635.050; and*

32 *(d) Any other information required by the Board.*

33 *3. Not later than 15 business days after receiving an*
34 *application for a license by endorsement to practice podiatry*
35 *pursuant to this section, the Board shall provide written notice to*
36 *the applicant of any additional information required by the Board*
37 *to consider the application. Unless the Board denies the*
38 *application for good cause, the Board shall approve the*
39 *application and issue a license by endorsement to practice podiatry*
40 *to the applicant not later than 45 days after receiving the*
41 *application.*

42 *4. A license by endorsement to practice podiatry may be*
43 *issued at a meeting of the Board or between its meetings by the*
44 *President of the Board. Such an action shall be deemed to be an*
45 *action of the Board.*



1 **Sec. 12.** NRS 635.050 is hereby amended to read as follows:
2 635.050 1. Any person wishing to practice podiatry in this
3 State must, before beginning to practice, procure from the Board a
4 license to practice podiatry.

5 2. ~~1A)~~ *Except as otherwise provided in section 11 of this act, a*
6 license to practice podiatry may be issued by the Board to any
7 person who:

8 (a) Is of good moral character.

9 (b) Is a citizen of the United States or is lawfully entitled to
10 reside and work in the United States.

11 (c) Has received the degree of D.P.M., Doctor of Podiatric
12 Medicine, from an accredited school of podiatry.

13 (d) Has completed a residency approved by the Board.

14 (e) Has passed the examination given by the National Board of
15 Podiatric Medical Examiners.

16 (f) Has not committed any act described in subsection 2 of NRS
17 635.130. For the purposes of this paragraph, an affidavit signed by
18 the applicant stating that the applicant has not committed any act
19 described in subsection 2 of NRS 635.130 constitutes satisfactory
20 proof.

21 3. An applicant for a license to practice podiatry must submit
22 to the Board or a committee thereof pursuant to such regulations as
23 the Board may adopt:

24 (a) The fee for an application for a license, *including a license*
25 *by endorsement*, of not more than \$600;

26 (b) Proof satisfactory to the Board that the requirements of
27 subsection 2 have been met; and

28 (c) All other information required by the Board to complete an
29 application for a license.

30 ↪ The Board shall, by regulation, establish the fee required to be
31 paid pursuant to this subsection.

32 4. The Board may reject an application if it appears that the
33 applicant's credentials are fraudulent or the applicant has practiced
34 podiatry without a license or committed any act described in
35 subsection 2 of NRS 635.130.

36 5. The Board may require such further documentation or proof
37 of qualification as it may deem proper.

38 6. The provisions of this section do not apply to a person who
39 applies for:

40 (a) A limited license to practice podiatry pursuant to NRS
41 635.075; or

42 (b) A provisional license to practice podiatry pursuant to
43 NRS 635.082.



1 **Sec. 13.** NRS 635.065 is hereby amended to read as follows:

2 635.065 1. In addition to the other requirements for licensure
3 set forth in this chapter, an applicant for a license to practice
4 podiatry in this State who has been licensed to practice podiatry in
5 another state or the District of Columbia must submit:

6 (a) An affidavit signed by the applicant that:

7 (1) Identifies each jurisdiction in which the applicant has
8 been licensed to practice; and

9 (2) States whether a disciplinary proceeding has ever been
10 instituted against the applicant by the licensing board of that
11 jurisdiction and, if so, the status of the proceeding; and

12 (b) If the applicant is currently licensed to practice podiatry in
13 another state or the District of Columbia, a certificate from the
14 licensing board of that jurisdiction stating that the applicant is in
15 good standing and no disciplinary proceedings are pending against
16 the applicant.

17 2. ~~The~~ *Except as otherwise provided in section 11 of this*
18 *act, the* Board may require an applicant who has been licensed to
19 practice podiatry in another state or the District of Columbia to:

20 (a) Pass an examination prescribed by the Board concerning the
21 provisions of this chapter and any regulations adopted pursuant
22 thereto; or

23 (b) Submit satisfactory proof that:

24 (1) The applicant maintained an active practice in another
25 state or the District of Columbia within the 5 years immediately
26 preceding the application;

27 (2) No disciplinary proceeding has ever been instituted
28 against the applicant by a licensing board in any jurisdiction in
29 which he or she is licensed to practice podiatry; and

30 (3) The applicant has participated in a program of continuing
31 education that is equivalent to the program of continuing education
32 that is required pursuant to NRS 635.115 for podiatric physicians
33 licensed in this State.

34 **Sec. 14.** Chapter 637B of NRS is hereby amended by adding
35 thereto a new section to read as follows:

36 1. *The Board may issue a license by endorsement to engage*
37 *in the practice of audiology or speech pathology to an applicant*
38 *who meets the requirements set forth in this section. An applicant*
39 *may submit to the Board an application for such a license if the*
40 *applicant holds a corresponding valid and unrestricted license to*
41 *engage in the practice of audiology or speech pathology, as*
42 *applicable, in the District of Columbia or any state or territory of*
43 *the United States.*

44 2. *An applicant for a license by endorsement pursuant to this*
45 *section must submit to the Board with his or her application:*



1 (a) *Proof satisfactory to the Board that the applicant:*

2 (1) *Satisfies the requirements of subsection 1;*

3 (2) *Is a citizen of the United States or otherwise has the*
4 *legal right to work in the United States;*

5 (3) *Has not been disciplined or investigated by the*
6 *corresponding regulatory authority of the District of Columbia or*
7 *the state or territory in which the applicant holds a license to*
8 *engage in the practice of audiology or speech pathology, as*
9 *applicable; and*

10 (4) *Has not been held civilly or criminally liable for*
11 *malpractice in the District of Columbia or any state or territory of*
12 *the United States more than once;*

13 (b) *An affidavit stating that the information contained in the*
14 *application and any accompanying material is true and correct;*
15 *and*

16 (c) *Any other information required by the Board.*

17 3. *Not later than 15 business days after receiving an*
18 *application for a license by endorsement to engage in the practice*
19 *of audiology or speech pathology pursuant to this section, the*
20 *Board shall provide written notice to the applicant of any*
21 *additional information required by the Board to consider the*
22 *application. Unless the Board denies the application for good*
23 *cause, the Board shall approve the application and issue a license*
24 *by endorsement to engage in the practice of audiology or speech*
25 *pathology, as applicable, to the applicant not later than 45 days*
26 *after receiving the application.*

27 4. *A license by endorsement to engage in the practice of*
28 *audiology or speech pathology may be issued at a meeting of the*
29 *Board or between its meetings by the President of the Board. Such*
30 *an action shall be deemed to be an action of the Board.*

31 **Sec. 15.** NRS 637B.160 is hereby amended to read as follows:

32 637B.160 1. ~~1.A.1~~ *Except as otherwise provided in section*
33 *14 of this act, an applicant for a license to engage in the practice of*
34 *audiology or speech pathology must be issued a license by the*
35 *Board if the applicant:*

36 (a) *Is over the age of 21 years;*

37 (b) *Is a citizen of the United States, or is lawfully entitled to*
38 *remain and work in the United States;*

39 (c) *Is of good moral character;*

40 (d) *Meets the requirements for education or training and*
41 *experience provided by subsection 2;*

42 (e) *Has completed at least 300 clock hours of supervised clinical*
43 *experience in audiology or speech pathology, or both;*

44 (f) *Applies for the license in the manner provided by the Board;*

45 (g) *Passes any examination required by this chapter;*



- 1 (h) Pays the fees provided for in this chapter; and
- 2 (i) Submits all information required to complete an application
- 3 for a license.

4 2. An applicant must possess a master’s degree in audiology or
 5 in speech pathology from an accredited educational institution or
 6 possess equivalent training and experience. If an applicant seeks to
 7 qualify on the basis of equivalent training and experience, the
 8 applicant must submit to the Board satisfactory evidence that he or
 9 she has obtained at least 60 semester credits, or equivalent quarter
 10 credits, in courses related to the normal development, function and
 11 use of speech and language or hearing, including, but not limited to,
 12 the management of disorders of speech or hearing and the legal,
 13 professional and ethical practices of audiology or speech pathology.
 14 At least 24 of the 60 credits, excluding any credits obtained for a
 15 thesis or dissertation, must have been obtained for courses directly
 16 relating to audiology or speech pathology.

17 **Sec. 16.** NRS 637B.230 is hereby amended to read as follows:
 18 637B.230 1. The Board shall charge and collect only the
 19 following fees whose amounts must be determined by the Board, but
 20 may not exceed:

21		
22	Application fee for a license to practice	
23	speech pathology , <i>including a license by</i>	
24	<i>endorsement</i>	\$100
25	Application fee for a license to practice	
26	audiology , <i>including a license by</i>	
27	<i>endorsement</i>	100
28	Annual fee for the renewal of a license.....	50
29	Reinstatement fee.....	75
30		

31 2. All fees are payable in advance and may not be refunded.

32 **Sec. 17.** Chapter 639 of NRS is hereby amended by adding
 33 thereto the provisions set forth as sections 18 and 19 of this act.

34 **Sec. 18. 1. *The Board may issue a certificate by***
 35 ***endorsement as a registered pharmacist to an applicant who meets***
 36 ***the requirements set forth in this section. An applicant may submit***
 37 ***to the Board an application for such a certificate if the applicant***
 38 ***holds a corresponding valid and unrestricted certificate as a***
 39 ***registered pharmacist in the District of Columbia or any state or***
 40 ***territory of the United States.***

41 2. *An applicant for a certificate by endorsement pursuant to*
 42 *this section must submit to the Board with his or her application:*

- 43 (a) *Proof satisfactory to the Board that the applicant:*
- 44 (1) *Satisfies the requirements of subsection 1;*



1 (2) *Is a citizen of the United States or otherwise has the*
2 *legal right to work in the United States;*

3 (3) *Has not been disciplined or investigated by the*
4 *corresponding regulatory authority of the District of Columbia or*
5 *the state or territory in which the applicant holds a certificate as a*
6 *registered pharmacist; and*

7 (4) *Has not been held civilly or criminally liable for*
8 *malpractice in the District of Columbia or any state or territory of*
9 *the United States more than once;*

10 (b) *An affidavit stating that the information contained in the*
11 *application and any accompanying material is true and correct;*
12 *and*

13 (c) *Any other information required by the Board.*

14 3. *Not later than 15 business days after receiving an*
15 *application for a certificate by endorsement as a registered*
16 *pharmacist pursuant to this section, the Board shall provide*
17 *written notice to the applicant of any additional information*
18 *required by the Board to consider the application. Unless the*
19 *Board denies the application for good cause, the Board shall*
20 *approve the application and issue a certificate by endorsement as a*
21 *registered pharmacist to the applicant not later than 45 days after*
22 *receiving the application.*

23 4. *A certificate by endorsement as a registered pharmacist*
24 *may be issued at a meeting of the Board or between its meetings by*
25 *the President of the Board. Such an action shall be deemed to be*
26 *an action of the Board.*

27 **Sec. 19. 1.** *The Board may issue a license by endorsement*
28 *to conduct a pharmacy to an applicant who is a natural person*
29 *and who meets the requirements set forth in this section. An*
30 *applicant may submit to the Board an application for such a*
31 *license if the applicant holds a corresponding valid and*
32 *unrestricted license to conduct a pharmacy in the District of*
33 *Columbia or any state or territory of the United States.*

34 2. *An applicant for a license by endorsement pursuant to this*
35 *section must submit to the Board with his or her application:*

36 (a) *Proof satisfactory to the Board that the applicant:*

37 (1) *Satisfies the requirements of subsection 1;*

38 (2) *Is a citizen of the United States or otherwise has the*
39 *legal right to work in the United States;*

40 (3) *Has not been disciplined or investigated by the*
41 *corresponding regulatory authority of the District of Columbia or*
42 *the state or territory in which the applicant holds a license to*
43 *conduct a pharmacy; and*



1 ***(4) Has not been held civilly or criminally liable for***
2 ***malpractice in the District of Columbia or any state or territory of***
3 ***the United States more than once;***

4 ***(b) An affidavit stating that the information contained in the***
5 ***application and any accompanying material is true and correct;***
6 ***and***

7 ***(c) Any other information required by the Board.***

8 ***3. Not later than 15 business days after receiving an***
9 ***application for a license by endorsement to conduct a pharmacy***
10 ***pursuant to this section, the Board shall provide written notice to***
11 ***the applicant of any additional information required by the Board***
12 ***to consider the application. Unless the Board denies the***
13 ***application for good cause, the Board shall approve the***
14 ***application and issue a license by endorsement to conduct a***
15 ***pharmacy to the applicant not later than 45 days after receiving***
16 ***the application.***

17 ***4. A license by endorsement to conduct a pharmacy may be***
18 ***issued at a meeting of the Board or between its meetings by the***
19 ***President of the Board. Such an action shall be deemed to be an***
20 ***action of the Board.***

21 **Sec. 20.** NRS 639.015 is hereby amended to read as follows:

22 639.015 “Registered pharmacist” means:

23 1. A person registered in this State as such on July 1, 1947;

24 2. A person registered in this State as such in compliance with
25 the provisions of paragraph (c) of section 3 of chapter 195, Statutes
26 of Nevada 1951; or

27 3. A person who has complied with the provisions of NRS
28 639.120 , ***639.134 or section 18 of this act*** and whose name has
29 been entered in the registry of pharmacists of this State by the
30 Executive Secretary of the Board and to whom a valid certificate ***or***
31 ***certificate by endorsement*** as a registered pharmacist or valid
32 renewal thereof has been issued by the Board.

33 **Sec. 21.** NRS 639.120 is hereby amended to read as follows:

34 639.120 1. ~~Am~~ ***Except as otherwise provided in NRS***
35 ***639.134 and section 18 of this act, an*** applicant to become a
36 registered pharmacist in this State must:

37 (a) Be of good moral character.

38 (b) Be a graduate of a college of pharmacy or department of
39 pharmacy of a university accredited by the Accreditation Council
40 for Pharmacy Education or Canadian Council for Accreditation of
41 Pharmacy Programs and approved by the Board or a graduate of a
42 foreign school who has passed an examination for foreign graduates
43 approved by the Board to demonstrate that his or her education is
44 equivalent.

45 (c) Except as otherwise provided in NRS 622.090:



1 (1) Pass an examination approved and given by the Board
2 with a grade of at least 75 on the examination as a whole and a
3 grade of at least 75 on the examination on law.

4 (2) If he or she is an applicant for registration by reciprocity,
5 pass the examination on law with at least a grade of 75.

6 (d) Complete not less than 1,500 hours of practical
7 pharmaceutical experience as an intern pharmacist under the direct
8 and immediate supervision of a registered pharmacist.

9 2. The practical pharmaceutical experience required pursuant
10 to paragraph (d) of subsection 1 must relate primarily to the selling
11 of drugs, poisons and devices, the compounding and dispensing of
12 prescriptions, preparing prescriptions and keeping records and
13 preparing reports required by state and federal statutes.

14 3. The Board may accept evidence of compliance with the
15 requirements set forth in paragraph (d) of subsection 1 from boards
16 of pharmacy of other states in which the experience requirement is
17 equivalent to the requirements in this State.

18 **Sec. 22.** NRS 639.127 is hereby amended to read as follows:

19 639.127 1. An applicant for registration as a pharmacist in
20 this State must submit an application to the Executive Secretary of
21 the Board on a form furnished by the Board and must pay the fee
22 fixed by the Board. The fee must be paid at the time the application
23 is submitted and is compensation to the Board for the investigation
24 and the examination of the applicant. Under no circumstances may
25 the fee be refunded.

26 2. Proof of the qualifications of any applicant must be made to
27 the satisfaction of the Board and must be substantiated by affidavits,
28 records or such other evidence as the Board may require.

29 3. An application is only valid for 1 year after the date it is
30 received by the Board unless the Board extends its period of
31 validity.

32 4. A certificate of registration as a pharmacist must be issued to
33 each person who the Board determines is qualified pursuant to the
34 provisions of NRS 639.120 and 639.134 **H and section 18 of this**
35 **act.** The certificate entitles the person to whom it is issued to
36 practice pharmacy in this State.

37 **Sec. 23.** NRS 639.170 is hereby amended to read as follows:

38 639.170 1. The Board shall charge and collect not more than
39 the following fees for the following services:

40
41 For the examination of an applicant for
42 registration as a pharmacist..... Actual cost
43 of the
44 examination



1	For the investigation or registration of an	
2	applicant as a registered pharmacist ,	
3	<i>including a certificate by endorsement</i>	\$200
4	For the investigation, examination or	
5	registration of an applicant as a registered	
6	pharmacist by reciprocity	300
7	For the investigation or issuance of an	
8	original license to conduct a retail	
9	pharmacy , <i>including a license by</i>	
10	<i>endorsement</i>	600
11	For the biennial renewal of a license to	
12	conduct a retail pharmacy	500
13	For the investigation or issuance of an	
14	original license to conduct an institutional	
15	pharmacy , <i>including a license by</i>	
16	<i>endorsement</i>	600
17	For the biennial renewal of a license to	
18	conduct an institutional pharmacy.....	500
19	For the issuance of an original or duplicate	
20	certificate of registration as a registered	
21	pharmacist , <i>including a certificate by</i>	
22	<i>endorsement</i>	50
23	For the biennial renewal of registration as a	
24	registered pharmacist	200
25	For the reinstatement of a lapsed registration	
26	(in addition to the fees for renewal for the	
27	period of lapse).....	100
28	For the initial registration of a	
29	pharmaceutical technician or	
30	pharmaceutical technician in training	50
31	For the biennial renewal of registration of a	
32	pharmaceutical technician or	
33	pharmaceutical technician in training	50
34	For the investigation or registration of an	
35	intern pharmacist.....	50
36	For the biennial renewal of registration as an	
37	intern pharmacist.....	40
38	For investigation or issuance of an original	
39	license to a manufacturer or wholesaler	500
40	For the biennial renewal of a license for a	
41	manufacturer or wholesaler	500



1 For the reissuance of a license issued to a
 2 pharmacy, when no change of ownership
 3 is involved, but the license must be
 4 reissued because of a change in the
 5 information required thereon..... \$100
 6 For authorization of a practitioner to dispense
 7 controlled substances or dangerous drugs,
 8 or both 300
 9 For the biennial renewal of authorization of a
 10 practitioner to dispense controlled
 11 substances or dangerous drugs, or both..... 300
 12

13 2. *If an applicant submits an application for a certificate of*
 14 *registration or license by endorsement pursuant to section 18 or 19*
 15 *of this act, as applicable, the Board shall charge and collect not*
 16 *more than the fee specified in subsection 1, respectively, for:*

17 (a) *The initial registration and issuance of an original*
 18 *certificate of registration as a registered pharmacist.*

19 (b) *The issuance of an original license to conduct a retail or*
 20 *an institutional pharmacy.*

21 3. If a person requests a special service from the Board or
 22 requests the Board to convene a special meeting, the person must
 23 pay the actual costs to the Board as a condition precedent to the
 24 rendition of the special service or the convening of the special
 25 meeting.

26 ~~13-1~~ 4. All fees are payable in advance and are not refundable.

27 ~~14-1~~ 5. The Board may, by regulation, set the penalty for
 28 failure to pay the fee for renewal for any license, permit,
 29 authorization or certificate within the statutory period, at an amount
 30 not to exceed 100 percent of the fee for renewal for each year of
 31 delinquency in addition to the fees for renewal for each year of
 32 delinquency.

33 **Sec. 24.** NRS 639.231 is hereby amended to read as follows:

34 639.231 1. An application to conduct a pharmacy must be
 35 made on a form furnished by the Board and must state the name,
 36 address, usual occupation and professional qualifications, if any, of
 37 the applicant. If the applicant is other than a natural person, the
 38 application must state such information as to each person
 39 beneficially interested therein.

40 2. As used in subsection 1, and subject to the provisions of
 41 subsection 3, the term "person beneficially interested" means:

42 (a) If the applicant is a partnership or other unincorporated
 43 association, each partner or member.



1 (b) If the applicant is a corporation, each of its officers, directors
2 and stockholders, provided that no natural person shall be deemed to
3 be beneficially interested in a nonprofit corporation.

4 3. If the applicant is a partnership, unincorporated association
5 or corporation and the number of partners, members or stockholders,
6 as the case may be, exceeds four, the application must so state, and
7 must list each of the four partners, members or stockholders who
8 own the four largest interests in the applicant entity and state their
9 percentages of interest. Upon request of the Executive Secretary of
10 the Board, the applicant shall furnish the Board with information as
11 to partners, members or stockholders not named in the application or
12 shall refer the Board to an appropriate source of such information.

13 4. The completed application form must be returned to the
14 Board with the fee prescribed by the Board, which may not be
15 refunded. ~~Any~~ *Except as otherwise provided in section 19 of this*
16 *act, any* application which is not complete as required by the
17 provisions of this section may not be presented to the Board for
18 consideration.

19 5. ~~Upon~~ *Except as otherwise provided in section 19 of this*
20 *act, upon* compliance with all the provisions of this section and
21 upon approval of the application by the Board, the Executive
22 Secretary shall issue a license to the applicant to conduct a
23 pharmacy. Any other provision of law notwithstanding, such a
24 license authorizes the holder to conduct a pharmacy and to sell and
25 dispense drugs and poisons and devices and appliances that are
26 restricted by federal law to sale by or on the order of a physician.

27 **Sec. 25.** Chapter 640 of NRS is hereby amended by adding
28 thereto a new section to read as follows:

29 *1. The Board may issue a license by endorsement as a*
30 *physical therapist to an applicant who meets the requirements set*
31 *forth in this section. An applicant may submit to the Board an*
32 *application for such a license if the applicant holds a*
33 *corresponding valid and unrestricted license as a physical*
34 *therapist in the District of Columbia or any state or territory of the*
35 *United States.*

36 *2. An applicant for a license by endorsement pursuant to this*
37 *section must submit to the Board with his or her application:*

38 *(a) Proof satisfactory to the Board that the applicant:*

39 *(1) Satisfies the requirements of subsection 1;*

40 *(2) Is a citizen of the United States or otherwise has the*
41 *legal right to work in the United States;*

42 *(3) Has not been disciplined or investigated by the*
43 *corresponding regulatory authority of the District of Columbia or*
44 *the state or territory in which the applicant holds a license as a*
45 *physical therapist; and*



1 (4) *Has not been held civilly or criminally liable for*
2 *malpractice in the District of Columbia or any state or territory of*
3 *the United States more than once;*

4 (b) *A complete set of fingerprints and written permission*
5 *authorizing the Board to forward the fingerprints in the manner*
6 *provided in NRS 640.090;*

7 (c) *An affidavit stating that the information contained in the*
8 *application and any accompanying material is true and correct;*

9 (d) *A fee in the amount of the fee set by a regulation of the*
10 *Board pursuant to subsection 3 of NRS 640.090 for an application*
11 *for a license; and*

12 (e) *Any other information required by the Board.*

13 3. *Not later than 15 business days after receiving an*
14 *application for a license by endorsement as a physical therapist*
15 *pursuant to this section, the Board shall provide written notice to*
16 *the applicant of any additional information required by the Board*
17 *to consider the application. Unless the Board denies the*
18 *application for good cause, the Board shall approve the*
19 *application and issue a license by endorsement as a physical*
20 *therapist to the applicant not later than:*

21 (a) *Forty-five days after receiving the application; or*

22 (b) *Ten days after the Board receives a report on the*
23 *applicant's background based on the submission of the applicant's*
24 *fingerprints,*

25 ↳ *whichever occurs later.*

26 4. *A license by endorsement as a physical therapist may be*
27 *issued at a meeting of the Board or between its meetings by the*
28 *Chair of the Board. Such an action shall be deemed to be an*
29 *action of the Board.*

30 **Sec. 26.** NRS 640.080 is hereby amended to read as follows:

31 640.080 ~~††~~ *Except as otherwise provided in section 25 of*
32 *this act, to be eligible for licensure by the Board as a physical*
33 *therapist, an applicant must:*

34 1. *Be of good moral character;*

35 2. *Have graduated from a school in which he or she completed*
36 *a curriculum of physical therapy approved by the Board; and*

37 3. *Pass to the satisfaction of the Board an examination*
38 *designated by the Board, unless he or she is entitled to licensure*
39 *without examination as provided in NRS 640.120 or 640.140.*

40 **Sec. 27.** NRS 640.090 is hereby amended to read as follows:

41 640.090 *Unless he or she is entitled to licensure under NRS*
42 *640.120 or 640.140, or section 25 of this act, a person who desires*
43 *to be licensed as a physical therapist must:*

44 1. *Apply to the Board, in writing, on a form furnished by the*
45 *Board;*



1 2. Include in the application evidence, under oath, satisfactory
2 to the Board, that the person possesses the qualifications required by
3 NRS 640.080 other than having passed the examination;

4 3. Pay to the Board at the time of filing the application a fee set
5 by a regulation of the Board in an amount not to exceed \$300;

6 4. Submit to the Board with the application a complete set of
7 fingerprints which the Board may forward to the Central Repository
8 for Nevada Records of Criminal History for submission to the
9 Federal Bureau of Investigation for its report;

10 5. Submit other documentation and proof the Board may
11 require; and

12 6. Submit all other information required to complete the
13 application.

14 **Sec. 28.** Chapter 640A of NRS is hereby amended by adding
15 thereto a new section to read as follows:

16 *1. The Board may issue a license by endorsement as an
17 occupational therapist to an applicant who meets the requirements
18 set forth in this section. An applicant may submit to the Board an
19 application for such a license if the applicant holds a
20 corresponding valid and unrestricted license as an occupational
21 therapist in the District of Columbia or any state or territory of the
22 United States.*

23 *2. An applicant for a license by endorsement pursuant to this
24 section must submit to the Board with his or her application:*

25 *(a) Proof satisfactory to the Board that the applicant:*

26 *(1) Satisfies the requirements of subsection 1;*

27 *(2) Is a citizen of the United States or otherwise has the
28 legal right to work in the United States;*

29 *(3) Has not been disciplined or investigated by the
30 corresponding regulatory authority of the District of Columbia or
31 the state or territory in which the applicant holds a license as an
32 occupational therapist; and*

33 *(4) Has not been held civilly or criminally liable for
34 malpractice in the District of Columbia or any state or territory of
35 the United States more than once;*

36 *(b) An affidavit stating that the information contained in the
37 application and any accompanying material is true and correct;*

38 *(c) A fee in the amount of the fee set by a regulation of the
39 Board pursuant to NRS 640A.190 for the initial issuance of a
40 license; and*

41 *(d) Any other information required by the Board.*

42 *3. Not later than 15 business days after receiving an
43 application for a license by endorsement as an occupational
44 therapist pursuant to this section, the Board shall provide written
45 notice to the applicant of any additional information required by*



1 *the Board to consider the application. Unless the Board denies the*
2 *application for good cause, the Board shall approve the*
3 *application and issue a license by endorsement as an occupational*
4 *therapist to the applicant not later than 45 days after receiving the*
5 *application.*

6 *4. A license by endorsement as an occupational therapist may*
7 *be issued at a meeting of the Board or between its meetings by the*
8 *Chair of the Board. Such an action shall be deemed to be an*
9 *action of the Board.*

10 **Sec. 29.** NRS 640A.120 is hereby amended to read as follows:

11 640A.120 ~~FFe~~ *Except as otherwise provided in section 28 of*
12 *this act, to be eligible for licensing by the Board as an occupational*
13 *therapist or occupational therapy assistant, an applicant must:*

14 1. Be a natural person of good moral character.

15 2. Except as otherwise provided in NRS 640A.130, have
16 satisfied the academic requirements of an educational program
17 approved by the Board. The Board shall not approve an educational
18 program designed to qualify a person to practice as an occupational
19 therapist or an occupational therapy assistant unless the program is
20 accredited by the Accreditation Council for Occupational Therapy
21 Education of the American Occupational Therapy Association, Inc.,
22 or its successor organization.

23 3. Except as otherwise provided in NRS 640A.130, have
24 successfully completed:

25 (a) If the application is for licensing as an occupational therapist,
26 24 weeks; or

27 (b) If the application is for licensing as an occupational therapy
28 assistant, 16 weeks,

29 ➔ of supervised fieldwork experience approved by the Board. The
30 Board shall not approve any supervised experience unless the
31 experience was sponsored by the American Occupational Therapy
32 Association, Inc., or its successor organization, or the educational
33 institution at which the applicant satisfied the requirements of
34 subsection 2.

35 4. Except as otherwise provided in NRS 640A.160 and
36 640A.170, pass an examination approved by the Board.

37 **Sec. 30.** NRS 640A.140 is hereby amended to read as follows:

38 640A.140 1. ~~FA~~ *Except as otherwise provided in section 28*
39 *of this act, a person who desires to be licensed by the Board as an*
40 *occupational therapist or occupational therapy assistant must:*

41 (a) Submit an application to the Board on a form furnished by
42 the Board; and

43 (b) Provide evidence satisfactory to the Board that he or she
44 possesses the qualifications required pursuant to subsections 1, 2
45 and 3 of NRS 640A.120.



1 2. The application must include all information required to
2 complete the application.

3 **Sec. 31.** NRS 640A.190 is hereby amended to read as follows:

4 640A.190 1. The Board may by regulation establish
5 reasonable fees for:

6 (a) The examination of an applicant for a license;

7 (b) The initial issuance of a license ~~H~~, *including a license by*
8 *endorsement;*

9 (c) The issuance of a temporary license;

10 (d) The renewal of a license; and

11 (e) The late renewal of a license.

12 2. The fees must be set in such an amount as to reimburse the
13 Board for the cost of carrying out the provisions of this chapter.

14 **Sec. 32.** Chapter 640C of NRS is hereby amended by adding
15 thereto a new section to read as follows:

16 *1. The Board may issue a license by endorsement to practice*
17 *massage therapy to an applicant who meets the requirements set*
18 *forth in this section. An applicant may submit to the Board an*
19 *application for such a license if the applicant holds a*
20 *corresponding valid and unrestricted license to practice massage*
21 *therapy in the District of Columbia or any state or territory of the*
22 *United States.*

23 *2. An applicant for a license by endorsement pursuant to this*
24 *section must submit to the Board with his or her application:*

25 (a) *Proof satisfactory to the Board that the applicant:*

26 (1) *Satisfies the requirements of subsection 1;*

27 (2) *Is a citizen of the United States or otherwise has the*
28 *legal right to work in the United States;*

29 (3) *Has not been disciplined or investigated by the*
30 *corresponding regulatory authority of the District of Columbia or*
31 *the state or territory in which the applicant holds a license to*
32 *practice massage therapy; and*

33 (4) *Has not been held civilly or criminally liable for*
34 *malpractice in the District of Columbia or any state or territory of*
35 *the United States more than once;*

36 (b) *A complete set of fingerprints and written permission*
37 *authorizing the Board to forward the fingerprints in the manner*
38 *provided in NRS 640C.400;*

39 (c) *An affidavit stating that the information contained in the*
40 *application and any accompanying material is true and correct;*

41 (d) *The fees prescribed by the Board pursuant to NRS*
42 *640C.520 for the application for and initial issuance of a license;*
43 *and*

44 (e) *Any other information required by the Board.*



1 3. *Not later than 15 business days after receiving an*
2 *application for a license by endorsement to practice massage*
3 *therapy pursuant to this section, the Board shall provide written*
4 *notice to the applicant of any additional information required by*
5 *the Board to consider the application. Unless the Board denies the*
6 *application for good cause, the Board shall approve the*
7 *application and issue a license by endorsement to practice*
8 *massage therapy to the applicant not later than:*

9 (a) *Forty-five days after receiving the application; or*

10 (b) *Ten days after the Board receives a report on the*
11 *applicant's background based on the submission of the applicant's*
12 *fingerprints,*

13 *whichever occurs later.*

14 4. *A license by endorsement to practice massage therapy may*
15 *be issued at a meeting of the Board or between its meetings by the*
16 *Chair and Executive Director of the Board. Such an action shall*
17 *be deemed to be an action of the Board.*

18 **Sec. 33.** NRS 640C.400 is hereby amended to read as follows:

19 640C.400 1. The Board may issue a license to practice
20 massage therapy.

21 2. An applicant for a license must:

22 (a) Be at least 18 years of age;

23 (b) ~~Submit~~ *Except as otherwise provided in section 32 of this*
24 *act, submit* to the Board:

25 (1) A completed application on a form prescribed by the
26 Board;

27 (2) The fees prescribed by the Board pursuant to
28 NRS 640C.520;

29 (3) Proof that the applicant has successfully completed a
30 program of massage therapy recognized by the Board;

31 (4) A certified statement issued by the licensing authority in
32 each state, territory or possession of the United States or the District
33 of Columbia in which the applicant is or has been licensed to
34 practice massage therapy verifying that:

35 (I) The applicant has not been involved in any
36 disciplinary action relating to his or her license to practice massage
37 therapy; and

38 (II) Disciplinary proceedings relating to his or her license
39 to practice massage therapy are not pending;

40 (5) Except as otherwise provided in NRS 640C.440, a
41 complete set of fingerprints and written permission authorizing the
42 Board to forward the fingerprints to the Central Repository for
43 Nevada Records of Criminal History for submission to the Federal
44 Bureau of Investigation for its report;



1 (6) The names and addresses of five natural persons not
2 related to the applicant and not business associates of the applicant
3 who are willing to serve as character references;

4 (7) A statement authorizing the Board or its designee to
5 conduct an investigation to determine the accuracy of any
6 statements set forth in the application; and

7 (8) If required by the Board, a financial questionnaire; and

8 (c) In addition to any examination required pursuant to NRS
9 640C.320 ~~H~~ *and except as otherwise provided in section 32 of this*
10 *act:*

11 (1) Except as otherwise provided in subsection 3, pass a
12 written examination administered by any board that is accredited by
13 the National Commission for Certifying Agencies, or its successor
14 organization, to examine massage therapists; or

15 (2) At the applicant's discretion and in lieu of a written
16 examination, pass an oral examination prescribed by the Board.

17 3. If the Board determines that the examinations being
18 administered pursuant to subparagraph (1) of paragraph (c) of
19 subsection 2 are inadequately testing the knowledge and
20 competency of applicants, the Board shall prepare or cause to be
21 prepared its own written examination to test the knowledge and
22 competency of applicants. Such an examination must be offered not
23 less than four times each year. The location of the examination must
24 alternate between Clark County and Washoe County. Upon request,
25 the Board must provide a list of approved interpreters at the location
26 of the examination to interpret the examination for an applicant
27 who, as determined by the Board, requires an interpreter for the
28 examination.

29 4. The Board shall recognize a program of massage therapy
30 that is:

31 (a) Approved by the Commission on Postsecondary Education;
32 or

33 (b) Offered by a public college in this State or any other state.

34 ➔ The Board may recognize other programs of massage therapy.

35 5. ~~The~~ *Except as otherwise provided in section 32 of this*
36 *act, the* Board or its designee shall:

37 (a) Conduct an investigation to determine:

38 (1) The reputation and character of the applicant;

39 (2) The existence and contents of any record of arrests or
40 convictions of the applicant;

41 (3) The existence and nature of any pending litigation
42 involving the applicant that would affect his or her suitability for
43 licensure; and

44 (4) The accuracy and completeness of any information
45 submitted to the Board by the applicant;



1 (b) If the Board determines that it is unable to conduct a
2 complete investigation, require the applicant to submit a financial
3 questionnaire and investigate the financial background and each
4 source of funding of the applicant;

5 (c) Report the results of the investigation of the applicant within
6 the period the Board establishes by regulation pursuant to NRS
7 640C.320; and

8 (d) Except as otherwise provided in NRS 239.0115, maintain the
9 results of the investigation in a confidential manner for use by the
10 Board and its members and employees in carrying out their duties
11 pursuant to this chapter. The provisions of this paragraph do not
12 prohibit the Board or its members or employees from
13 communicating or cooperating with or providing any documents or
14 other information to any other licensing board or any other federal,
15 state or local agency that is investigating a person, including,
16 without limitation, a law enforcement agency.

17 **Sec. 34.** Chapter 641 of NRS is hereby amended by adding
18 thereto the provisions set forth as sections 35 and 36 of this act.

19 **Sec. 35. 1. *The Board may issue a license by endorsement***
20 ***as a psychologist or behavior analyst to an applicant who meets***
21 ***the requirements set forth in this section. An applicant may submit***
22 ***to the Board an application for such a license if the applicant***
23 ***holds a corresponding valid and unrestricted license as a***
24 ***psychologist or behavior analyst, as applicable, in the District of***
25 ***Columbia or any state or territory of the United States.***

26 **2. *An applicant for a license by endorsement pursuant to this***
27 ***section must submit to the Board with his or her application:***

28 ***(a) Proof satisfactory to the Board that the applicant:***

29 ***(1) Satisfies the requirements of subsection 1;***

30 ***(2) Is a citizen of the United States or otherwise has the***
31 ***legal right to work in the United States;***

32 ***(3) Has not been disciplined or investigated by the***
33 ***corresponding regulatory authority of the District of Columbia or***
34 ***the state or territory in which the applicant holds a license as a***
35 ***psychologist or behavior analyst, as applicable; and***

36 ***(4) Has not been held civilly or criminally liable for***
37 ***malpractice in the District of Columbia or any state or territory of***
38 ***the United States more than once;***

39 ***(b) A complete set of fingerprints and written permission***
40 ***authorizing the Board to forward the fingerprints in the manner***
41 ***provided in NRS 641.160;***

42 ***(c) An affidavit stating that the information contained in the***
43 ***application and any accompanying material is true and correct;***

44 ***(d) The fee prescribed by the Board pursuant to NRS 641.370***
45 ***for the issuance of an initial license; and***



1 (e) Any other information required by the Board.

2 3. Not later than 15 business days after receiving an
3 application for a license by endorsement as a psychologist or
4 behavior analyst pursuant to this section, the Board shall provide
5 written notice to the applicant of any additional information
6 required by the Board to consider the application. Unless the
7 Board denies the application for good cause, the Board shall
8 approve the application and issue a license by endorsement as a
9 psychologist or behavior analyst, as applicable, to the applicant
10 not later than:

11 (a) Forty-five days after receiving the application; or

12 (b) Ten days after the Board receives a report on the
13 applicant's background based on the submission of the applicant's
14 fingerprints,

15 ↪ whichever occurs later.

16 4. A license by endorsement as a psychologist or behavior
17 analyst may be issued at a meeting of the Board or between its
18 meetings by the President of the Board. Such an action shall be
19 deemed to be an action of the Board.

20 **Sec. 36. 1.** The Board may issue a certificate by
21 endorsement as an autism behavior interventionist to an applicant
22 who meets the requirements set forth in this section. An applicant
23 may submit to the Board an application for such a certificate if the
24 applicant holds a corresponding valid and unrestricted certificate
25 as an autism behavior interventionist in the District of Columbia
26 or any state or territory of the United States.

27 2. An applicant for a certificate by endorsement pursuant to
28 this section must submit to the Board with his or her application:

29 (a) Proof satisfactory to the Board that the applicant:

30 (1) Satisfies the requirements of subsection 1;

31 (2) Is a citizen of the United States or otherwise has the
32 legal right to work in the United States;

33 (3) Has not been disciplined or investigated by the
34 corresponding regulatory authority of the District of Columbia or
35 the state or territory in which the applicant holds a certificate as
36 an autism behavior interventionist; and

37 (4) Has not been held civilly or criminally liable for
38 malpractice in the District of Columbia or any state or territory of
39 the United States more than once;

40 (b) An affidavit stating that the information contained in the
41 application and any accompanying material is true and correct;

42 (c) The fee prescribed by the Board pursuant to NRS 641.370
43 for the issuance of an initial certificate; and

44 (d) Any other information required by the Board.



1 **3. Not later than 15 business days after receiving an**
2 **application for a certificate by endorsement as an autism behavior**
3 **interventionist pursuant to this section, the Board shall provide**
4 **written notice to the applicant of any additional information**
5 **required by the Board to consider the application. Unless the**
6 **Board denies the application for good cause, the Board shall**
7 **approve the application and issue a certificate by endorsement as**
8 **an autism behavior interventionist to the applicant not later than**
9 **45 days after receiving the application.**

10 **4. A certificate by endorsement as an autism behavior**
11 **interventionist may be issued at a meeting of the Board or between**
12 **its meetings by the President of the Board. Such an action shall be**
13 **deemed to be an action of the Board.**

14 **Sec. 37.** NRS 641.170 is hereby amended to read as follows:

15 641.170 1. ~~Each~~ **Except as otherwise provided in section**
16 **35 of this act, each** application for licensure as a psychologist must
17 be accompanied by evidence satisfactory to the Board that the
18 applicant:

19 (a) Is at least 21 years of age.

20 (b) Is of good moral character as determined by the Board.

21 (c) Is a citizen of the United States, or is lawfully entitled to
22 remain and work in the United States.

23 (d) Has earned a doctorate in psychology from an accredited
24 educational institution approved by the Board, or has other
25 doctorate-level training from an accredited educational institution
26 deemed equivalent by the Board in both subject matter and extent of
27 training.

28 (e) Has at least 2 years of experience satisfactory to the Board, 1
29 year of which must be postdoctoral experience in accordance with
30 the requirements established by regulations of the Board.

31 2. ~~Each~~ **Except as otherwise provided in section 35 of this**
32 **act, each** application for licensure as a behavior analyst must be
33 accompanied by evidence satisfactory to the Board that the
34 applicant:

35 (a) Is at least 21 years of age.

36 (b) Is of good moral character as determined by the Board.

37 (c) Is a citizen of the United States, or is lawfully entitled to
38 remain and work in the United States.

39 (d) Has earned a master's degree from an accredited college or
40 university in a field of social science or special education and holds
41 a current certification as a Board Certified Behavior Analyst by the
42 Behavior Analyst Certification Board, Inc., or any successor in
43 interest to that organization.



1 (e) Has completed other education, training or experience in
2 accordance with the requirements established by regulations of the
3 Board.

4 (f) Has completed satisfactorily a written examination in Nevada
5 law and ethical practice as administered by the Board.

6 3. Each application for licensure as an assistant behavior
7 analyst must be accompanied by evidence satisfactory to the Board
8 that the applicant:

9 (a) Is at least 21 years of age.

10 (b) Is of good moral character as determined by the Board.

11 (c) Is a citizen of the United States, or is lawfully entitled to
12 remain and work in the United States.

13 (d) Has earned a bachelor's degree from an accredited college or
14 university in a field of social science or special education approved
15 by the Board and holds a current certification as a Board Certified
16 Behavior Analyst by the Behavior Analyst Certification Board, Inc.,
17 or any successor in interest to that organization.

18 (e) Has completed other education, training or experience in
19 accordance with the requirements established by regulations of the
20 Board.

21 (f) Has completed satisfactorily a written examination in Nevada
22 law and ethical practice as administered by the Board.

23 4. ~~Within~~ *Except as otherwise provided in section 35 of this*
24 *act, within* 120 days after receiving an application and the
25 accompanying evidence from an applicant, the Board shall:

26 (a) Evaluate the application and accompanying evidence and
27 determine whether the applicant is qualified pursuant to this section
28 for licensure; and

29 (b) Issue a written statement to the applicant of its
30 determination.

31 5. The written statement issued to the applicant pursuant to
32 subsection 4 must include:

33 (a) If the Board determines that the qualifications of the
34 applicant are insufficient for licensure, a detailed explanation of the
35 reasons for that determination.

36 (b) If the applicant for licensure as a psychologist has not earned
37 a doctorate in psychology from an accredited educational institution
38 approved by the Board and the Board determines that the doctorate-
39 level training from an accredited educational institution is not
40 equivalent in subject matter and extent of training, a detailed
41 explanation of the reasons for that determination.

42 **Sec. 38.** NRS 641.172 is hereby amended to read as follows:

43 641.172 1. ~~Each~~ *Except as otherwise provided in section*
44 *36 of this act, each* application for certification as an autism



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1 behavior interventionist must be accompanied by evidence
2 satisfactory to the Board that the applicant:

3 (a) Is at least 18 years of age.

4 (b) Is of good moral character as determined by the Board.

5 (c) Is a citizen of the United States, or is lawfully entitled to
6 remain and work in the United States.

7 (d) Has completed satisfactorily a written examination in
8 Nevada law and ethical practice as administered by the Board.

9 (e) Has completed satisfactorily a standardized practical
10 examination developed and approved by the Board. The
11 examination must be conducted by the applicant's supervisor, who
12 shall make a videotape or other audio and visual recording of the
13 applicant's performance of the examination for submission to the
14 Board. The Board may review the recording as part of its evaluation
15 of the applicant's qualifications.

16 2. ~~Within~~ *Except as otherwise provided in section 36 of this*
17 *act, within* 120 days after receiving an application and the
18 accompanying evidence from an applicant, the Board shall:

19 (a) Evaluate the application and accompanying evidence and
20 determine whether the applicant is qualified pursuant to this section
21 for certification as an autism behavior interventionist; and

22 (b) Issue a written statement to the applicant of its
23 determination.

24 3. If the Board determines that the qualifications of the
25 applicant are insufficient for certification, the written statement
26 issued to the applicant pursuant to subsection 2 must include a
27 detailed explanation of the reasons for that determination.

28 **Sec. 39.** NRS 641.180 is hereby amended to read as follows:

29 641.180 1. Except as otherwise provided in this section and
30 NRS 641.190, *and section 35 of this act*, each applicant for a
31 license as a psychologist must pass the national examination. In
32 addition to the national examination, the Board may require an
33 examination in whatever applied or theoretical fields it deems
34 appropriate.

35 2. The Board shall notify each applicant of the results of the
36 national examination and any other examination required pursuant
37 to subsection 1.

38 3. The Board may waive the requirement of the national
39 examination for a person who:

40 (a) Is licensed in another state;

41 (b) Has at least 10 years' experience; and

42 (c) Is a diplomate in the American Board of Professional
43 Psychology or a fellow in the American Psychological Association,
44 or who has other equivalent status as determined by the Board.



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1 **Sec. 40.** NRS 641.370 is hereby amended to read as follows:
2 641.370 1. The Board shall charge and collect not more than
3 the following fees respectively:

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5	For the national examination, in addition to the	
6	actual cost to the Board of the examination	\$100
7	For any other examination required pursuant to the	
8	provisions of subsection 1 of NRS 641.180, in	
9	addition to the actual costs to the Board of the	
10	examination	100
11	For the issuance of an initial license or certificate ,	
12	<i>including a license or certificate by</i>	
13	<i>endorsement</i>	25
14	For the biennial renewal of a license of a	
15	psychologist.....	500
16	For the biennial renewal of a license of a licensed	
17	behavior analyst	400
18	For the biennial renewal of a license of a licensed	
19	assistant behavior analyst.....	275
20	For the biennial renewal of a certificate of a	
21	certified autism behavior interventionist.....	175
22	For the restoration of a license suspended for the	
23	nonpayment of the biennial fee for the renewal	
24	of a license.....	100
25	For the registration of a firm, partnership or	
26	corporation which engages in or offers to engage	
27	in the practice of psychology	300
28	For the registration of a nonresident to practice as a	
29	consultant	100
30		

31 2. An applicant who passes the national examination and any
32 other examination required pursuant to the provisions of subsection
33 1 of NRS 641.180 and who is eligible for a license as a psychologist
34 shall pay the biennial fee for the renewal of a license, which must be
35 prorated for the period from the date the license is issued to the end
36 of the biennium.

37 3. An applicant who passes the examination and is eligible for
38 a license as a behavior analyst or assistant behavior analyst or a
39 certificate as a autism behavior interventionist shall pay the biennial
40 fee for the renewal of a license or certificate, which must be
41 prorated for the period from the date the license or certificate is
42 issued to the end of the biennium.

43 4. ~~Has~~ *Except as otherwise provided in subsection 5 and*
44 *sections 35 and 36 of this act, in* addition to the fees set forth in
45 subsection 1, the Board may charge and collect a fee for the



1 expedited processing of a request or for any other incidental service
2 it provides. The fee must not exceed the cost to provide the service.

3 *5. If an applicant submits an application for a license or*
4 *certificate by endorsement pursuant to section 35 or 36 of this act,*
5 *as applicable, the Board shall charge and collect not more than*
6 *the fee specified in subsection 1 for the issuance of an initial*
7 *license or certificate.*

8 **Sec. 41.** Chapter 641A of NRS is hereby amended by adding
9 thereto a new section to read as follows:

10 *1. The Board may issue a license by endorsement to practice*
11 *as a marriage and family therapist or clinical professional*
12 *counselor to an applicant who meets the requirements set forth in*
13 *this section. An applicant may submit to the Board an application*
14 *for such a license if the applicant holds a corresponding valid and*
15 *unrestricted license as a marriage and family therapist or clinical*
16 *professional counselor, as applicable, in the District of Columbia*
17 *or any state or territory of the United States.*

18 *2. An applicant for a license by endorsement pursuant to this*
19 *section must submit to the Board with his or her application:*

20 *(a) Proof satisfactory to the Board that the applicant:*

21 *(1) Satisfies the requirements of subsection 1;*

22 *(2) Is a citizen of the United States or otherwise has the*
23 *legal right to work in the United States;*

24 *(3) Has not been disciplined or investigated by the*
25 *corresponding regulatory authority of the District of Columbia or*
26 *the state or territory in which the applicant holds a license as a*
27 *marriage and family therapist or clinical professional counselor,*
28 *as applicable; and*

29 *(4) Has not been held civilly or criminally liable for*
30 *malpractice in the District of Columbia or any state or territory of*
31 *the United States more than once;*

32 *(b) An affidavit stating that the information contained in the*
33 *application and any accompanying material is true and correct;*

34 *(c) The fees prescribed by the Board pursuant to NRS*
35 *641A.290 for the application for and initial issuance of a license;*
36 *and*

37 *(d) Any other information required by the Board.*

38 *3. Not later than 15 business days after receiving an*
39 *application for a license by endorsement to practice as a marriage*
40 *and family therapist or clinical professional counselor pursuant to*
41 *this section, the Board shall provide written notice to the applicant*
42 *of any additional information required by the Board to consider*
43 *the application. Unless the Board denies the application for good*
44 *cause, the Board shall approve the application and issue a license*
45 *by endorsement to practice as a marriage and family therapist or*



1 *clinical professional counselor, as applicable, to the applicant not*
2 *later than 45 days after receiving the application.*

3 *4. A license by endorsement to practice as a marriage and*
4 *family therapist or clinical professional counselor may be issued*
5 *at a meeting of the Board or between its meetings by the President*
6 *of the Board. Such an action shall be deemed to be an action of*
7 *the Board.*

8 **Sec. 42.** NRS 641A.220 is hereby amended to read as follows:

9 641A.220 ~~Each~~ *Except as otherwise provided in section 41*
10 *of this act, each* applicant for a license to practice as a marriage and
11 family therapist must furnish evidence satisfactory to the Board that
12 the applicant:

- 13 1. Is at least 21 years of age;
- 14 2. Is of good moral character;
- 15 3. Is a citizen of the United States, or is lawfully entitled to
16 remain and work in the United States;
- 17 4. Has completed residency training in psychiatry from an
18 accredited institution approved by the Board, has a graduate degree
19 in marriage and family therapy, psychology or social work from an
20 accredited institution approved by the Board or has completed other
21 education and training which is deemed equivalent by the Board;
- 22 5. Has:
 - 23 (a) At least 2 years of postgraduate experience in marriage and
24 family therapy; and
 - 25 (b) At least 3,000 hours of supervised experience in marriage
26 and family therapy, of which at least 1,500 hours must consist of
27 direct contact with clients; and
- 28 6. Holds an undergraduate degree from an accredited
29 institution approved by the Board.

30 **Sec. 43.** NRS 641A.230 is hereby amended to read as follows:

31 641A.230 1. Except as otherwise provided in subsection 2 ~~†~~
32 *and section 41 of this act*, each qualified applicant for a license to
33 practice as a marriage and family therapist must pass a written
34 examination given by the Board on his or her knowledge of
35 marriage and family therapy. Examinations must be given at a time
36 and place and under such supervision as the Board may determine.

37 2. The Board shall accept receipt of a passing grade by a
38 qualified applicant on the national examination sponsored by the
39 Association of Marital and Family Therapy Regulatory Boards in
40 lieu of requiring a written examination pursuant to subsection 1.

41 3. In addition to the requirements of subsections 1 and 2, the
42 Board may require an oral examination. The Board may examine
43 applicants in whatever applied or theoretical fields it deems
44 appropriate.



1 **Sec. 44.** NRS 641A.231 is hereby amended to read as follows:
2 641A.231 ~~Each~~ *Except as otherwise provided in section 41*
3 *of this act, each* applicant for a license to practice as a clinical
4 professional counselor must furnish evidence satisfactory to the
5 Board that the applicant:

- 6 1. Is at least 21 years of age;
- 7 2. Is of good moral character;
- 8 3. Is a citizen of the United States, or is lawfully entitled to
9 remain and work in the United States;

10 4. Has:

11 (a) Completed residency training in psychiatry from an
12 accredited institution approved by the Board;

13 (b) A graduate degree from a program approved by the Council
14 for Accreditation of Counseling and Related Educational Programs
15 as a program in mental health counseling or community counseling;
16 or

17 (c) An acceptable degree as determined by the Board which
18 includes the completion of a practicum and internship in mental
19 health counseling which was taken concurrently with the degree
20 program and was supervised by a licensed mental health
21 professional; and

22 5. Has:

23 (a) At least 2 years of postgraduate experience in professional
24 counseling;

25 (b) At least 3,000 hours of supervised experience in professional
26 counseling which includes, without limitation:

27 (1) At least 1,500 hours of direct contact with clients; and

28 (2) At least 100 hours of counseling under the direct
29 supervision of an approved supervisor of which at least 1 hour per
30 week was completed for each work setting at which the applicant
31 provided counseling; and

32 (c) Passed the National Clinical Mental Health Counseling
33 Examination which is administered by the National Board for
34 Certified Counselors.

35 **Sec. 45.** Chapter 641B of NRS is hereby amended by adding
36 thereto a new section to read as follows:

37 1. *The Board may issue a license by endorsement to engage*
38 *in social work to an applicant who meets the requirements set*
39 *forth in this section. An applicant may submit to the Board an*
40 *application for such a license if the applicant holds a*
41 *corresponding valid and unrestricted license to engage in social*
42 *work in the District of Columbia or any state or territory of the*
43 *United States.*

44 2. *An applicant for a license by endorsement pursuant to this*
45 *section must submit to the Board with his or her application:*



1 (a) *Proof satisfactory to the Board that the applicant:*

2 (1) *Satisfies the requirements of subsection 1;*

3 (2) *Is a citizen of the United States or otherwise has the*
4 *legal right to work in the United States;*

5 (3) *Has not been disciplined or investigated by the*
6 *corresponding regulatory authority of the District of Columbia or*
7 *the state or territory in which the applicant holds a license to*
8 *engage in social work; and*

9 (4) *Has not been held civilly or criminally liable for*
10 *malpractice in the District of Columbia or any state or territory of*
11 *the United States more than once;*

12 (b) *A complete set of fingerprints and written permission*
13 *authorizing the Board to forward the fingerprints in the manner*
14 *provided in NRS 641B.202;*

15 (c) *An affidavit stating that the information contained in the*
16 *application and any accompanying material is true and correct;*
17 *and*

18 (d) *Any other information required by the Board.*

19 3. *Not later than 15 business days after receiving an*
20 *application for a license by endorsement to engage in social work*
21 *pursuant to this section, the Board shall provide written notice to*
22 *the applicant of any additional information required by the Board*
23 *to consider the application. Unless the Board denies the*
24 *application for good cause, the Board shall approve the*
25 *application and issue a license by endorsement to engage in social*
26 *work to the applicant not later than:*

27 (a) *Forty-five days after receiving the application; or*

28 (b) *Ten days after the Board receives a report on the*
29 *applicant's background based on the submission of the applicant's*
30 *fingerprints,*

31 *↳ whichever occurs later.*

32 4. *A license by endorsement to engage in social work may be*
33 *issued at a meeting of the Board or between its meetings by the*
34 *President of the Board. Such an action shall be deemed to be an*
35 *action of the Board.*

36 **Sec. 46.** NRS 641B.250 is hereby amended to read as follows:

37 641B.250 1. Except as otherwise provided in NRS **641B.270**
38 **and 641B.275, and section 45 of this act,** before the issuance of a
39 license, each applicant, otherwise eligible for licensure, who has
40 paid the fee and presented the required credentials, other than an
41 applicant for a license to engage in social work as an associate in
42 social work, must appear personally and pass an examination
43 concerning his or her knowledge of the practice of social work.



1 2. Any such examination must be fair and impartial, practical
2 in character with questions designed to discover the applicant's
3 fitness.

4 3. The Board may employ specialists and other professional
5 consultants or examining services in conducting the examination.

6 4. The member of the Board who is the representative of the
7 general public shall not participate in the grading of the
8 examination.

9 5. The Board shall examine applicants for licensure at least
10 twice a year.

11 **Sec. 47.** NRS 641B.300 is hereby amended to read as follows:

12 641B.300 **1.** The Board shall charge and collect fees not to
13 exceed the following amounts for:

15	Initial application.....	\$40
16	Provisional license.....	75
17	Initial issuance of a license , <i>including a license by</i>	
18	<i>endorsement</i>	100
19	Annual renewal of a license	150
20	Restoration of a suspended license or reinstatement	
21	of a revoked license.....	150
22	Restoration of an expired license	200
23	Renewal of a delinquent license	100
24	Reciprocal license without examination.....	100

25
26 **2.** *If an applicant submits an application for a license by*
27 *endorsement pursuant to section 45 of this act, the Board shall*
28 *charge and collect not more than the fees specified in subsection 1*
29 *for the initial application for and initial issuance of a license.*

30 **Sec. 48.** Chapter 641C of NRS is hereby amended by adding
31 thereto the provisions set forth as sections 49 to 53, inclusive, of this
32 act.

33 **Sec. 49. 1.** *The Board may issue a license by endorsement*
34 *as a clinical alcohol and drug abuse counselor to an applicant*
35 *who meets the requirements set forth in this section. An applicant*
36 *may submit to the Board an application for such a license if the*
37 *applicant holds a corresponding valid and unrestricted license as a*
38 *clinical alcohol and drug abuse counselor in the District of*
39 *Columbia or any state or territory of the United States.*

40 **2.** *An applicant for a license by endorsement pursuant to this*
41 *section must submit to the Board with his or her application:*

42 **(a)** *Proof satisfactory to the Board that the applicant:*

43 **(1)** *Satisfies the requirements of subsection 1;*

44 **(2)** *Is a citizen of the United States or otherwise has the*
45 *legal right to work in the United States;*



1 (3) *Has not been disciplined or investigated by the*
2 *corresponding regulatory authority of the District of Columbia or*
3 *the state or territory in which the applicant holds a license as a*
4 *clinical alcohol and drug abuse counselor; and*

5 (4) *Has not been held civilly or criminally liable for*
6 *malpractice in the District of Columbia or any state or territory of*
7 *the United States more than once;*

8 (b) *A complete set of fingerprints and written permission*
9 *authorizing the Board to forward the fingerprints in the manner*
10 *provided in NRS 641C.260;*

11 (c) *An affidavit stating that the information contained in the*
12 *application and any accompanying material is true and correct;*

13 (d) *The fees prescribed by the Board pursuant to NRS*
14 *641C.470 for the initial application for and issuance of an initial*
15 *license; and*

16 (e) *Any other information required by the Board.*

17 3. *Not later than 15 business days after receiving an*
18 *application for a license by endorsement as a clinical alcohol and*
19 *drug abuse counselor pursuant to this section, the Board shall*
20 *provide written notice to the applicant of any additional*
21 *information required by the Board to consider the application.*
22 *Unless the Board denies the application for good cause, the Board*
23 *shall approve the application and issue a license by endorsement*
24 *as a clinical alcohol and drug abuse counselor to the applicant not*
25 *later than:*

26 (a) *Forty-five days after receiving the application; or*

27 (b) *Ten days after the Board receives a report on the*
28 *applicant's background based on the submission of the applicant's*
29 *fingerprints,*

30 ↪ *whichever occurs later.*

31 4. *A license by endorsement as a clinical alcohol and drug*
32 *abuse counselor may be issued at a meeting of the Board or*
33 *between its meetings by the President of the Board. Such an action*
34 *shall be deemed to be an action of the Board.*

35 **Sec. 50. 1.** *The Board may issue a license by endorsement*
36 *as an alcohol and drug abuse counselor to an applicant who meets*
37 *the requirements set forth in this section. An applicant may submit*
38 *to the Board an application for such a license if the applicant*
39 *holds a corresponding valid and unrestricted license as an alcohol*
40 *and drug abuse counselor in the District of Columbia or any state*
41 *or territory of the United States.*

42 2. *An applicant for a license by endorsement pursuant to this*
43 *section must submit to the Board with his or her application:*

44 (a) *Proof satisfactory to the Board that the applicant:*

45 (1) *Satisfies the requirements of subsection 1;*



1 (2) *Is a citizen of the United States or otherwise has the*
2 *legal right to work in the United States;*

3 (3) *Has not been disciplined or investigated by the*
4 *corresponding regulatory authority of the District of Columbia or*
5 *the state or territory in which the applicant holds a license as an*
6 *alcohol and drug abuse counselor; and*

7 (4) *Has not been held civilly or criminally liable for*
8 *malpractice in the District of Columbia or any state or territory of*
9 *the United States more than once;*

10 (b) *A complete set of fingerprints and written permission*
11 *authorizing the Board to forward the fingerprints in the manner*
12 *provided in NRS 641C.260;*

13 (c) *An affidavit stating that the information contained in the*
14 *application and any accompanying material is true and correct;*

15 (d) *The fees prescribed by the Board pursuant to NRS*
16 *641C.470 for the initial application for and issuance of an initial*
17 *license; and*

18 (e) *Any other information required by the Board.*

19 3. *Not later than 15 business days after receiving an*
20 *application for a license by endorsement as an alcohol and drug*
21 *abuse counselor pursuant to this section, the Board shall provide*
22 *written notice to the applicant of any additional information*
23 *required by the Board to consider the application. Unless the*
24 *Board denies the application for good cause, the Board shall*
25 *approve the application and issue a license by endorsement as an*
26 *alcohol and drug abuse counselor to the applicant not later than:*

27 (a) *Forty-five days after receiving the application; or*

28 (b) *Ten days after the Board receives a report on the*
29 *applicant's background based on the submission of the applicant's*
30 *fingerprints,*

31 ↪ *whichever occurs later.*

32 4. *A license by endorsement as an alcohol and drug abuse*
33 *counselor may be issued at a meeting of the Board or between its*
34 *meetings by the President of the Board. Such an action shall be*
35 *deemed to be an action of the Board.*

36 **Sec. 51. 1.** *The Board may issue a certificate by*
37 *endorsement as an alcohol and drug abuse counselor to an*
38 *applicant who meets the requirements set forth in this section. An*
39 *applicant may submit to the Board an application for such a*
40 *certificate if the applicant holds a corresponding valid and*
41 *unrestricted certificate as an alcohol and drug abuse counselor in*
42 *the District of Columbia or any state or territory of the United*
43 *States.*

44 2. *An applicant for a certificate by endorsement pursuant to*
45 *this section must submit to the Board with his or her application:*



1 (a) *Proof satisfactory to the Board that the applicant:*

2 (1) *Satisfies the requirements of subsection 1;*

3 (2) *Is a citizen of the United States or otherwise has the*
4 *legal right to work in the United States;*

5 (3) *Has not been disciplined or investigated by the*
6 *corresponding regulatory authority of the District of Columbia or*
7 *the state or territory in which the applicant holds a certificate as*
8 *an alcohol and drug abuse counselor; and*

9 (4) *Has not been held civilly or criminally liable for*
10 *malpractice in the District of Columbia or any state or territory of*
11 *the United States more than once;*

12 (b) *A complete set of fingerprints and written permission*
13 *authorizing the Board to forward the fingerprints in the manner*
14 *provided in NRS 641C.260;*

15 (c) *An affidavit stating that the information contained in the*
16 *application and any accompanying material is true and correct;*

17 (d) *The fees prescribed by the Board pursuant to NRS*
18 *641C.470 for the initial application for and issuance of an initial*
19 *certificate; and*

20 (e) *Any other information required by the Board.*

21 3. *Not later than 15 business days after receiving an*
22 *application for a certificate by endorsement as an alcohol and*
23 *drug abuse counselor pursuant to this section, the Board shall*
24 *provide written notice to the applicant of any additional*
25 *information required by the Board to consider the application.*
26 *Unless the Board denies the application for good cause, the Board*
27 *shall approve the application and issue a certificate by*
28 *endorsement as an alcohol and drug abuse counselor to the*
29 *applicant not later than:*

30 (a) *Forty-five days after receiving the application; or*

31 (b) *Ten days after the Board receives a report on the*
32 *applicant's background based on the submission of the applicant's*
33 *fingerprints,*

34 *↳ whichever occurs later.*

35 4. *A certificate by endorsement as an alcohol and drug abuse*
36 *counselor may be issued at a meeting of the Board or between its*
37 *meetings by the President of the Board. Such an action shall be*
38 *deemed to be an action of the Board.*

39 **Sec. 52. 1.** *The Board may issue a certificate by*
40 *endorsement as a problem gambling counselor to an applicant*
41 *who meets the requirements set forth in this section. An applicant*
42 *may submit to the Board an application for such a certificate if the*
43 *applicant holds a corresponding valid and unrestricted certificate*
44 *as a problem gambling counselor in the District of Columbia or*
45 *any state or territory of the United States.*



1 2. *An applicant for a certificate by endorsement pursuant to*
2 *this section must submit to the Board with his or her application:*

3 (a) *Proof satisfactory to the Board that the applicant:*

4 (1) *Satisfies the requirements of subsection 1;*

5 (2) *Is a citizen of the United States or otherwise has the*
6 *legal right to work in the United States;*

7 (3) *Has not been disciplined or investigated by the*
8 *corresponding regulatory authority of the District of Columbia or*
9 *the state or territory in which the applicant holds a certificate as a*
10 *problem gambling counselor; and*

11 (4) *Has not been held civilly or criminally liable for*
12 *malpractice in the District of Columbia or any state or territory of*
13 *the United States more than once;*

14 (b) *A complete set of fingerprints and written permission*
15 *authorizing the Board to forward the fingerprints in the manner*
16 *provided in NRS 641C.260;*

17 (c) *An affidavit stating that the information contained in the*
18 *application and any accompanying material is true and correct;*

19 (d) *The fees prescribed by the Board pursuant to NRS*
20 *641C.470 for the initial application for and issuance of an initial*
21 *certificate; and*

22 (e) *Any other information required by the Board.*

23 3. *Not later than 15 business days after receiving an*
24 *application for a certificate by endorsement as a problem*
25 *gambling counselor pursuant to this section, the Board shall*
26 *provide written notice to the applicant of any additional*
27 *information required by the Board to consider the application.*
28 *Unless the Board denies the application for good cause, the Board*
29 *shall approve the application and issue a certificate by*
30 *endorsement as a problem gambling counselor to the applicant not*
31 *later than:*

32 (a) *Forty-five days after receiving the application; or*

33 (b) *Ten days after the Board receives a report on the*
34 *applicant's background based on the submission of the applicant's*
35 *fingerprints,*

36 ↳ *whichever occurs later.*

37 4. *A certificate by endorsement as a problem gambling*
38 *counselor may be issued at a meeting of the Board or between its*
39 *meetings by the President of the Board. Such an action shall be*
40 *deemed to be an action of the Board.*

41 **Sec. 53.** *1. Notwithstanding any regulations adopted*
42 *pursuant to NRS 641C.500, the Board may issue a certificate by*
43 *endorsement as a detoxification technician to an applicant who*
44 *meets the requirements set forth in this section. An applicant may*
45 *submit to the Board an application for such a certificate if the*



1 *applicant holds a corresponding valid and unrestricted certificate*
2 *as a detoxification technician in the District of Columbia or any*
3 *state or territory of the United States.*

4 2. *An applicant for a certificate by endorsement pursuant to*
5 *this section must submit to the Board with his or her application:*

6 (a) *Proof satisfactory to the Board that the applicant:*

7 (1) *Satisfies the requirements of subsection 1;*

8 (2) *Is a citizen of the United States or otherwise has the*
9 *legal right to work in the United States;*

10 (3) *Has not been disciplined or investigated by the*
11 *corresponding regulatory authority of the District of Columbia or*
12 *the state or territory in which the applicant holds a certificate as a*
13 *detoxification technician; and*

14 (4) *Has not been held civilly or criminally liable for*
15 *malpractice in the District of Columbia or any state or territory of*
16 *the United States more than once;*

17 (b) *A complete set of fingerprints and written permission*
18 *authorizing the Board to forward the fingerprints in the manner*
19 *provided pursuant to NRS 641C.500;*

20 (c) *An affidavit stating that the information contained in the*
21 *application and any accompanying material is true and correct;*

22 (d) *Any fee prescribed by the Board pursuant to NRS*
23 *641C.500 for the issuance of a certificate; and*

24 (e) *Any other information required by the Board.*

25 3. *Not later than 15 business days after receiving an*
26 *application for a certificate by endorsement as a detoxification*
27 *technician pursuant to this section, the Board shall provide written*
28 *notice to the applicant of any additional information required by*
29 *the Board to consider the application. Unless the Board denies the*
30 *application for good cause, the Board shall approve the*
31 *application and issue a certificate by endorsement as a*
32 *detoxification technician to the applicant not later than:*

33 (a) *Forty-five days after receiving the application; or*

34 (b) *Ten days after the Board receives a report on the*
35 *applicant's background based on the submission of the applicant's*
36 *fingerprints,*

37 *↳ whichever occurs later.*

38 4. *A certificate by endorsement as a detoxification technician*
39 *may be issued at a meeting of the Board or between its meetings by*
40 *the President of the Board. Such an action shall be deemed to be*
41 *an action of the Board.*

42 **Sec. 54.** NRS 641C.290 is hereby amended to read as follows:

43 641C.290 1. ~~Each~~ *Except as otherwise provided in section*
44 *49 of this act, each* applicant for a license as a clinical alcohol and
45 drug abuse counselor must pass a written and oral examination



1 concerning his or her knowledge of the clinical practice of
2 counseling alcohol and drug abusers, the applicable provisions of
3 this chapter and any applicable regulations adopted by the Board
4 pursuant to the provisions of this chapter.

5 2. ~~Each~~ *Except as otherwise provided in section 50 or 51 of*
6 *this act, each* applicant for a license or certificate as an alcohol and
7 drug abuse counselor must pass a written and oral examination
8 concerning his or her knowledge of the practice of counseling
9 alcohol and drug abusers, the applicable provisions of this chapter
10 and any applicable regulations adopted by the Board pursuant to the
11 provisions of this chapter.

12 3. ~~Each~~ *Except as otherwise provided in section 52 of this*
13 *act, each* applicant for a certificate as a problem gambling counselor
14 must pass a written examination concerning his or her knowledge of
15 the practice of counseling problem gamblers, the applicable
16 provisions of this chapter and any applicable regulations adopted by
17 the Board pursuant to the provisions of this chapter.

18 4. The Board shall:

- 19 (a) Examine applicants at least two times each year.
- 20 (b) Establish the time and place for the examinations.
- 21 (c) Provide such books and forms as may be necessary to
- 22 conduct the examinations.
- 23 (d) Except as otherwise provided in NRS 622.090, establish, by
- 24 regulation, the requirements for passing the examination.

25 5. The Board may employ other persons to conduct the
26 examinations.

27 **Sec. 55.** NRS 641C.470 is hereby amended to read as follows:

28 641C.470 1. The Board shall charge and collect not more
29 than the following fees:

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31	For the initial application for a license or certificate	
32	<i>, including a license or certificate by</i>	
33	<i>endorsement</i>	\$150
34	For the issuance of a provisional license or	
35	certificate.....	125
36	For the issuance of an initial license or certificate ,	
37	<i>including a license or certificate by</i>	
38	<i>endorsement</i>	60
39	For the renewal of a license or certificate as an	
40	alcohol and drug abuse counselor, a license as a	
41	clinical alcohol and drug abuse counselor or a	
42	certificate as a problem gambling counselor.....	300



1 For the renewal of a certificate as a clinical alcohol
2 and drug abuse counselor intern, an alcohol and
3 drug abuse counselor intern or a problem
4 gambling counselor intern..... \$75
5 For the renewal of a delinquent license or certificate..... 75
6 For the restoration of an expired license or
7 certificate..... 150
8 For the restoration or reinstatement of a suspended
9 or revoked license or certificate 300
10 For the issuance of a license or certificate without
11 examination 150
12 For an examination 150
13 For the approval of a course of continuing
14 education 150
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16 2. *If an applicant submits an application for a license or*
17 *certificate by endorsement pursuant to section 49, 50, 51 or 52 of*
18 *this act, the Board shall charge and collect not more than the fees*
19 *specified in subsection 1 for the initial application for and*
20 *issuance of an initial license or certificate, as applicable.*

21 3. The fees charged and collected pursuant to this section are
22 not refundable.

23 **Sec. 56.** This act becomes effective upon passage and
24 approval.



