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

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

EXPLANATION - Matter in *bolded italics* is new; matter between brackets for its 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, 13.1, 14, 18, 19, 25, 28, 32, 35, 36, 234567 41, 45 and 50-54 of this bill authorize certain qualified physicians, podiatrists, other providers of health care and professionals to obtain an expedited license by endorsement to practice their respective professions in this State if the physician, podiatrist, other provider of health care or professional holds a valid and unrestricted license to practice in the District of Columbia or another state or 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 Examiners, the State Board of Nursing, the State Board of Osteopathic Medicine, 9 the State Board of Podiatry, the State Board of Optometry, the Board of Examiners 10 11 for Audiology and Speech Pathology, the State Board of Pharmacy, the State Board 12 of Physical Therapy Examiners, the Board of Occupational Therapy, the Board of Massage Therapists, the Board of Psychological Examiners, the Board of Examiners for Marriage and Family Therapists and Clinical Professional Counselors, the Board of Examiners for Social Workers and the Board of 13 14 15 16 Examiners for Alcohol, Drug and Gambling Counselors. Sections 1.3 and 8.5





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

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

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

Section 1. Chapter 630 of NRS is hereby amended by adding 1 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, the Board may issue a license by endorsement to practice medicine 4 to an applicant who meets the requirements set forth in this 5 section. An applicant may submit to the Board an application for 6 such a license if the applicant: 7 (a) Holds a corresponding valid and unrestricted license to 8 practice medicine in the District of Columbia or any state or 9 territory of the United States; and 10 (b) Is certified in a specialty recognized by the American 11 **Board of Medical Specialties.** 12 13 2. An applicant for a license by endorsement pursuant to this section must submit to the Board with his or her application: 14 (a) **Proof satisfactory to the Board that the applicant:** 15 (1) Satisfies the requirements of subsection 1; 16 (2) Is a citizen of the United States or otherwise has the 17 legal right to work in the United States; 18 (3) Has not been disciplined and is not currently under 19 20 investigation by the corresponding regulatory authority of the District of Columbia or any state or territory in which the applicant currently holds or has held a license to practice 21 22 23 medicine: and (4) Has not been held civilly or criminally liable for 24 malpractice in the District of Columbia or any state or territory of 25 26 the United States: (b) A complete set of fingerprints and written permission authorizing the Board to forward the fingerprints in the manner 27 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 32 and 33

(d) 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 medicine 3 pursuant to this section, the Board shall provide written notice to the applicant of any additional information required by the Board 4 to consider the application. Unless the Board denies the 5 application for good cause, the Board shall approve the application and issue a license by endorsement to practice 6 7 medicine to the applicant not later than: 8 9

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

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

13 whichever occurs later.

4. A license by endorsement to practice medicine may be 14 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 the Board an application for such a license if the applicant: 21

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

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

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(1) Satisfies the requirements of subsection 1;

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

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

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

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

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





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

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

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

14 whichever occurs later.

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4. A license by endorsement to practice as a physician 15 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.

2. Except as otherwise provided in NRS 630.1605, 630.161 23 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:

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

(b) Has received the degree of doctor of medicine from a 28 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 equivalent to that provided in medical schools in the United States 34 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 of Medical Examiners; 40 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:

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(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, [or] 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

(II) Fellowship training in the United States or Canada
 approved by the Board or the Accreditation Council for Graduate
 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, [or] the [Coordinating Council of Medical Education of the 33 Canadian Medical Association, Royal College of Physicians and 34 35 Surgeons of Canada, the College des medecins du Quebec, the College of Family Physicians of Canada or, as applicable, their 36 successor organizations, has completed at least 24 months of the 37 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





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

(a) Temporarily suspend the license;

(b) Promptly review the differing information with the Board asa 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

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

(1) Placing the licensee on probation for a specified periodwith specified conditions;

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(2) Administering a public reprimand;

(3) Limiting the practice of the licensee;

(4) Suspending the license for a specified period or untilfurther 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 33 (6) Requiring supervision of the practice of the licensee;(7) Imposing an administrative fine not to exceed \$5,000;

34 (8) Requiring the licensee to perform community service35 without compensation;

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

(10) Requiring the licensee to complete any training oreducational requirements specified by the Board; and

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

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





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

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

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

(a) The applicant is the person named in the proof of graduation
 and that it was obtained without fraud or misrepresentation or any
 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:

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

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

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

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

5. The applicant bears the burden of proving and documentinghis or her qualifications for licensure.

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

630.195 1. [In] Except as otherwise provided in section 1.3
 of this act, in addition to the other requirements for licensure, an
 applicant for a license to practice medicine who is a graduate of a
 foreign medical school shall submit to the Board proof that the
 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.

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

(b) Wishes to provide services for any disaster relief operationsconducted by a governmental entity or nonprofit organization,

14 \rightarrow 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;

(c) Proof that the physician satisfies the requirements for licensure set forth in NRS 630.160 or the requirements for licensure by endorsement set forth in NRS 630.1605 [;] or section 1.3 of this act;

(d) Acknowledgment that the practice of the physician under the
 special volunteer medical license will be exclusively devoted to
 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 payment or compensation, either direct or indirect, or have the 36 37 expectation of any payment or compensation, for providing medical care under the special volunteer medical license, except for payment 38 39 by a medical facility at which the physician provides volunteer medical services of the expenses of the physician for necessary 40 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



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competent to practice medicine, the Board shall issue a special
 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.

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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.

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

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

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

630.265 1. [Except as otherwise provided in] Unless the Board denies such licensure pursuant to NRS 630.161 [-] or for other good cause, the Board [may] shall issue to a qualified applicant a limited license to practice medicine as a resident physician in a graduate program approved by the Accreditation Council for Graduate Medical Education if the applicant is:

27 (a) A graduate of an accredited medical school in the United28 States or Canada; or

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

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

3. The Board may issue a limited license for not more than 1
year but may renew the license if the applicant for the limited
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 2	5. The holder of a limited license granted pursuant to section may be disciplined by the Board at any time for any o	
3	grounds provided in NRS 630.161 or 630.301 to 630.3	3065.
4	inclusive.	,
5	Sec. 6. NRS 630.268 is hereby amended to read as follows	s:
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	100
15	license	. 400
16	For renewal of a limited, restricted, authorized	400
17	facility or special license	. 400
18	For application for and issuance of a license as a	
19 20	physician assistant , <i>including a license by</i> endorsement	400
20	<i>endorsement</i> For biennial registration of a physician assistant	200
21	For biennial registration of a physician	
22	For application for and issuance of a license as a	. 800
23	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	. 000
27	respiratory care	600
28	For biennial registration for a physician who is on	
29	inactive status	. 400
30	For written verification of licensure	
31	For a duplicate identification card	
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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2. [In] Except as otherwise provided in subsection 4, in 37 addition to the fees prescribed in subsection 1, the Board shall 38 charge and collect necessary and reasonable fees for the expedited 39 processing of a request or for any other incidental service the Board 40 41 provides.

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





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.

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

1 The educational and other qualifications of applicants.

2. The required academic program for applicants.

13 3. The procedures for applications for and the issuance of 14 licenses.

The procedures deemed necessary by the Board for 15 4 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 **[5.]** 6. The medical services which a physician assistant may perform, except that a physician assistant may not perform those 20 specific functions and duties delegated or restricted by law to 21 22 persons licensed as dentists, chiropractors, podiatric physicians and optometrists under chapters 631, 634, 635 and 636, respectively, of 23 24 NRS, or as hearing aid specialists.

25 **16.1** 7. The duration, renewal and termination of licenses **1**.

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7.1, including licenses by endorsement. 27 8. The grounds and procedures respecting disciplinary actions

28 against physician assistants.

29 **18. 9.** The supervision of medical services of a physician assistant by a supervising physician, including, without limitation, 30 31 supervision that is performed electronically, telephonically or by 32 fiber optics from within or outside this State or the United States.

33 **19.** 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 outside this State or the United States. 36

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





professional nurse in the District of Columbia or any state or 1 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; (2) Is a citizen of the United States or otherwise has the 7 legal right to work in the United States; 8 (3) Has not been disciplined or investigated by the 9 corresponding regulatory authority of the District of Columbia or 10 any state or territory in which the applicant currently holds or has 11 held a license to practice as a professional nurse; and 12 13 (4) Has not been held civilly or criminally liable for malpractice in the District of Columbia or any state or territory of 14 15 the United States: (b) A complete set of fingerprints and written permission 16 authorizing the Board to forward the fingerprints in the manner 17 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. 3. Not later than 15 business days after receiving an 23 application for a license by endorsement to practice as a 24 25 professional nurse pursuant to this section, the Board shall provide written notice to the applicant of any additional 26 information required by the Board to consider the application. 27 Unless the Board denies the application for good cause, the Board 28 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 applicant's background based on the submission of the applicant's 33 fingerprints. 34 🗢 whichever occurs later. 35 4. A license by endorsement to practice as a professional 36 nurse may be issued at a meeting of the Board or between its 37 meetings by the President and Executive Director of the Board. 38 39 Such an action shall be deemed to be an action of the Board. Sec. 6.4. 1. Except as otherwise provided in NRS 632.3405, 40 the Board may issue a license by endorsement to practice as a 41 practical nurse to an applicant who meets the requirements set 42 forth in this section. An applicant may submit to the Board an 43

44 application for such a license if the applicant holds a 45 corresponding valid and unrestricted license to practice as a





practical nurse in the District of Columbia or any state or territory 1 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; (2) Is a citizen of the United States or otherwise has the 7 legal right to work in the United States; 8 (3) Has not been disciplined or investigated by the 9 corresponding regulatory authority of the District of Columbia or 10 any state or territory in which the applicant currently holds or has 11 held a license to practice as a practical nurse; and 12 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: (b) A complete set of fingerprints and written permission 16 authorizing the Board to forward the fingerprints in the manner 17 18 provided in NRS 632.344; 19 (c) An affidavit stating that the information contained in the application and any accompanying material is true and correct; 20 21 and 22 (d) Any other information required by the Board. 3. Not later than 15 business days after receiving an 23 application for a license by endorsement to practice as a practical 24 25 nurse pursuant to this section, the Board shall provide written notice to the applicant of any additional information required by 26 27 the Board to consider the application. Unless the Board denies the application for good cause, the Board shall approve the 28 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 (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 license by endorsement to practice as a practical nurse 36 may be issued at a meeting of the Board or between its meetings by 37 the President and Executive Director of the Board. Such an action 38 39 shall be deemed to be an action of the Board. Sec. 6.5. NRS 632.140 is hereby amended to read as follows: 40 632.140 Except as otherwise provided in section 6.3 of this 41 42 act: 43 Every applicant for a license to practice as a professional 1. 44 nurse in the State of Nevada must submit to the Board written

45 evidence under oath that the applicant:





(a) Is of good moral character.

(b) Is in good physical and mental health.

(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.

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Sec. 6.6. NRS 632.150 is hereby amended to read as follows:

632.150 1. **[Each]** Except as otherwise provided in NRS 632.160, 632.237 and section 6.3 of this act, each applicant who is otherwise qualified for a license to practice nursing as a professional nurse shall be required to write and pass an examination on such subjects and in such form as the Board may from time to time determine. Such written examination may be supplemented by an 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.

Sec. 6.7. NRS 632.237 is hereby amended to read as follows:

632.237 1. The Board may issue a license to practice as an
 advanced practice registered nurse to a registered nurse : [who:]

(a) Who is licensed by endorsement pursuant to section 6.3 of
this act and holds a corresponding valid and unrestricted license
to practice as an advanced practice registered nurse in the District
of Columbia or any other state or territory of the United States; or
(b) Who:

32 (1) Has completed an educational program designed to 33 prepare a registered nurse to:

34 35 **(1)** Perform designated acts of medical diagnosis;

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

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2. An advanced practice registered nurse may:

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

(b) If authorized pursuant to NRS 639.2351 and subject to the 5 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 registered nurse is not qualified to perform. 10

An advanced practice registered nurse who is authorized to 11 3. prescribe controlled substances, poisons, dangerous drugs and 12 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 An advanced practice registered nurse may perform the acts 4. described in subsection 2 by using equipment that transfers 20 information concerning the medical condition of a patient in this 21 State electronically, telephonically or by fiber optics from within or 22 23 outside this State or the United States.

The Board shall adopt regulations: 5.

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

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.

The provisions of *subparagraph* (2) of paragraph (b) of 31 6. 32 subsection 1 do not apply to an advanced practice registered nurse who obtains a license before July 1, 2014. 33 34

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

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

39 1. Is of good moral character.

Has a high school diploma or its equivalent as determined by 40 2. 41 the State Board of Education. 42

- 3. Is at least 18 years of age.
- 4. Has:

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$ \begin{array}{c} 1\\2\\3\\4\\5\\6\\7\\8\\9\\10\\11\\12\\13\\14\\15\\16\end{array} $	 (a) Successfully completed the prescribed accredited school of practical nursing or an professional nursing, and been awarded a dipl (b) Successfully completed the prescribed approved school of practical nursing in the accreditation or an approved school of profe process of obtaining accreditation, and been the school; or (c) Been registered or licensed as a regislaws of another jurisdiction. 5. Meets any other qualifications present the Board. Sec. 6.9. NRS 632.345 is hereby amend 632.345 1. The Board shall establish schedule of fees and charges for the following ranges: 	n accredited oma by the l course of se process of essional nur awarded a o stered nurse ribed in reg ed to read as n and may	school of school; study in an f obtaining sing in the diploma by e under the ulations of s follows: amend a
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18		Not less	Not more
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20	Application for license to practice		
21	professional nursing (registered		
22	nurse), including a license by	* • -	.
23	endorsement	\$45	\$100
24	Application for license to practice		
25	practical nursing , including a	20	0.0
26	license by endorsement		90
27	Application for temporary license to		
28	practice professional nursing or		
29 30	practical nursing pursuant to NRS 632.300, which fee must be		
30 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		20
35	practice as a nursing assistant or		
36	medication aide - certified		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





1 2		Not less than	Not more than
3	Biennial fee for renewal of a		
4	certificate		\$50
5	Fee for reinstatement of a license	10	100
6	Application for a license to practice		
7	as an advanced practice registered		
8	nurse, including a license by		
9	endorsement	50	200
10	Application for recognition as a		
11	certified registered nurse		
12	anesthetist	50	200
13	Biennial fee for renewal of a license		
14	to practice as an advanced		
15	practice registered nurse or		
16	practice registered nurse or certified registered nurse		
17	anesthetist	50	200
18	Examination fee for license to		
19	practice professional nursing	20	100
20	Examination fee for license to		
21	practice practical nursing	10	90
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23	practice professional nursing	20	100
24	Rewriting examination for license to		
25	practice practical nursing	10	90
26	practice practical nursing Duplicate license	5	30
27	Duplicate certificate	5	30
28	Proctoring examination for candidate		
29	from another state	25	150
30	Fee for approving one course of		
31	continuing education	10	50
32	Fee for reviewing one course of		
33	continuing education which has		
34	been changed since approval	5	30
35	Annual fee for approval of all		
36	courses of continuing education		
37	offered	100	500
38	offered Annual fee for review of training		
39	program	60	100
40	Certification examination	10	90
41	Approval of instructors of training		
42	programs	50	100
43	programs Approval of proctors for certification		
44	examinations	20	50





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2	than than
3	Approval of training programs\$150 \$250
4	Validation of licensure or
5	certification
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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
10	(b) Is certified in a specialty recognized by the American
20	Board of Medical Specialties or the American Osteopathic
20	Association.
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 24	(a) Proof satisfactory to the Board that the applicant:
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23 26	(1) Satisfies the requirements of subsection 1;(2) Is a citizen of the United States or otherwise has the
27	legal right to work in the United States;
28	(3) Has not been disciplined and is not currently under
29	investigation by the corresponding regulatory authority of the
30	District of Columbia or any state or territory in which the
31	applicant currently holds or has held a license to practice as a
32	physician assistant; 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;
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 633.309;
39	(c) An affidavit stating that the information contained in the
40	application and any accompanying material is true and correct; (d) The application and initial license fee specified in this
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42	chapter; and
43	(e) Any other information required by the Board.
44	3. Not later than 15 business days after receiving an
45	application for a license by endorsement to practice as a physician
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assistant pursuant to this section, the Board shall provide written 1 2 notice to the applicant of any additional information required by the Board to consider the application. Unless the Board denies the 3 application for good cause, the Board shall approve the 4 5 application and issue a license by endorsement to practice as a 6 physician assistant to the applicant not later than:

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

(b) Ten days after the Board receives a report on the 8 9 applicant's background based on the submission of the applicant's 10 fingerprints.

whichever occurs later. 11

4. A license by endorsement to practice as a physician 12 assistant may be issued at a meeting of the Board or between its 13 14 meetings by the President and Executive Director of the Board. 15 Such an action shall be deemed to be an action of the Board. 16

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

17 633.305 Except as otherwise provided in section 7 of this act 18 and NRS 633.400:

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1. Every applicant for a license shall:

20 (a) File an application with the Board in the manner prescribed 21 by regulations of the Board;

22 (b) Submit verified proof satisfactory to the Board that the 23 applicant meets any age, citizenship and educational requirements 24 prescribed by this chapter; and

(c) Pay in advance to the Board the application and initial 25 26 license fee specified in NRS 633.501.

27 2. An application filed with the Board pursuant to subsection 1 must include all information required to complete the application. 28

29 The Board may hold hearings and conduct investigations 3. 30 into any matter related to the application and, in addition to the 31 proofs required by subsection 1, may take such further evidence and 32 require such other documents or proof of qualifications as it deems 33 proper.

34 4. The Board may reject an application if the Board has cause 35 to believe that any credential or information submitted by the 36 applicant is false, misleading, deceptive or fraudulent. 37

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

38 633.311 Except as otherwise provided in NRS 633.315 **[]** and 39 633.381 to 633.419, inclusive, an applicant for a license to practice 40 osteopathic medicine may be issued a license by the Board if:

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

42 The applicant is a citizen of the United States or is lawfully 2. 43 entitled to remain and work in the United States;

44 The applicant is a graduate of a school of osteopathic 3. 45 medicine;





4. The applicant:

2 (a) Has graduated from a school of osteopathic medicine before 3 1995 and has completed:

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(1) A hospital internship; or

5 (2) One year of postgraduate training that complies with the 6 standards of intern training established by the American Osteopathic 7 Association:

(b) Has completed 3 years, or such other length of time as 8 9 required by a specific program, of postgraduate medical education as a resident in the United States or Canada in a program approved 10 11 by the Board, the Bureau of Professional Education of the American 12 Osteopathic Association or the Accreditation Council for Graduate 13 Medical Education; or

14 (c) Is a resident who is enrolled in a postgraduate training 15 program in this State, has completed 24 months of the program and 16 has committed, in writing, that he or she will complete the program; 17

- The applicant applies for the license as provided by law; 5.
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6. The applicant passes:

19 (a) All parts of the licensing examination of the National Board 20 of Osteopathic Medical Examiners;

21 (b) All parts of the licensing examination of the Federation of 22 State Medical Boards ; [of the United States, Inc.;]

23 (c) All parts of the licensing examination of the Board, a state, territory or possession of the United States, or the District of 24 25 Columbia, and is certified by a specialty board of the American Osteopathic Association or by the American Board of Medical 26 27 Specialties: or

28 (d) A combination of the parts of the licensing examinations specified in paragraphs (a), (b) and (c) that is approved by the 29 30 Board:

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

32 8. The applicant submits all information required to complete 33 an application for a license.

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

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 38 osteopathic medicine by the District of Columbia or any state or 39 territory of the United States if:

(a) At the time the person files an application with the Board, 40 41 the license is in effect and unrestricted; and 42

(b) The applicant:

43 (1) Is currently certified by either a specialty board of the 44 American Board of Medical Specialties or a specialty board of the





1 American Osteopathic Association, or was certified or recertified 2 within the past 10 years;

(2) Has had no adverse actions reported to the National 3 4 Practitioner Data Bank within the past 5 years;

5 (3) Has been continuously and actively engaged in the 6 practice of osteopathic medicine within his or her specialty for the 7 past 5 years;

8 (4) Is not involved in and does not have pending any disciplinary action concerning a license to practice osteopathic 9 medicine in the District of Columbia or any state or territory of the 10 11 United States;

12 (5) Provides information on all the medical malpractice 13 claims brought against him or her, without regard to when the 14 claims were filed or how the claims were resolved: and

15 (6) Meets all statutory requirements to obtain a license to 16 practice osteopathic medicine in this State except that the applicant 17 is not required to meet the requirements set forth in NRS 633.311.

2. Any person applying for a license *by endorsement* pursuant 18 19 to this section shall [pay in] submit:

(a) A complete set of fingerprints and written permission 20 21 authorizing the Board to forward the fingerprints in the manner 22 provided in NRS 633.309;

23 (b) An affidavit stating that the information contained in the 24 application and any accompanying material is true and correct;

(c) In advance to the Board the application and initial license fee 25 26 specified in this chapter **[**,]; and 27

(d) Any other information required by the Board.

3. Not later than 15 business days after receiving an 28 application for a license by endorsement pursuant to this section, 29 30 the Board shall provide written notice to the applicant of any additional information required by the Board to consider the 31 application. Unless the Board denies the application for good 32 33 cause, the Board shall approve the application and issue a license by endorsement to the applicant not later than: 34 35

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

(b) Ten days after the Board receives a report on the 36 applicant's background based on the submission of the applicant's 37 fingerprints, 38

39 whichever occurs later.

40 4. A license by endorsement may be issued at a meeting of the 41 Board or between its meetings by its President and Executive 42 Director. Such action shall be deemed to be an action of the Board. 43

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

44 633.401 1. [Except as otherwise provided in] Unless the Board denies such licensure pursuant to NRS 633.315 H or for 45





other good cause, the Board [may] *shall* issue a special license to
 practice osteopathic medicine:

3 (a) To authorize a person who is licensed to practice osteopathic 4 medicine in an adjoining state to come into Nevada to care for or 5 assist in the treatment of his or her patients in association with an 6 osteopathic physician in this State who has primary care of the 7 patients.

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

11 (c) Other than a license issued pursuant to NRS 633.419, for a 12 specified period and for specified purposes to a person who is 13 licensed to practice osteopathic medicine in another jurisdiction.

14 2. For the purpose of paragraph (c) of subsection 1, the 15 osteopathic physician must:

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

(b) Not have had any disciplinary or other action taken againsthim or her by any state or other jurisdiction; and

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

3. A special license issued under this section may be renewedby the Board upon application of the licensee.

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

Sec. 10. (Deleted by amendment.)

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

30 633.434 The Board shall adopt regulations regarding the 31 licensure of a physician assistant, including, without limitation:

1. The educational and other qualifications of applicants.

2. The required academic program for applicants.

34 3. The procedures for applications for and the issuance of 35 licenses.

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

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

40 [5.] 6. The medical services which a physician assistant may 41 perform, except that a physician assistant may not perform 42 osteopathic manipulative therapy or those specific functions and 43 duties delegated or restricted by law to persons licensed as dentists, 44 chiropractors, doctors of Oriental medicine, podiatric physicians,





5 6 assistant by a supervising osteopathic physician. 7 thereto a new section to read as follows: 8 9 1. Except as otherwise provided in NRS 635.073, the Board may issue a license by endorsement to practice podiatry to an 10 applicant who meets the requirements set forth in this section. An 11 applicant may submit to the Board an application for such a 12 license if the applicant holds a corresponding valid and 13 unrestricted license to practice podiatry in the District of 14 15 Columbia or any state or territory of the United States. 16 2. An applicant for a license by endorsement pursuant to this 17 section must submit to the Board with his or her application: 18 (a) **Proof satisfactory to the Board that the applicant:** 19 (1) Satisfies the requirements of subsection 1; (2) Is a citizen of the United States or otherwise has the 20 21 legal right to work in the United States; 22 (3) Has not been disciplined or investigated by the corresponding regulatory authority of the District of Columbia or 23 any state or territory in which the applicant currently holds or has 24 25 held a license to practice podiatry; and (4) Has not been held civilly or criminally liable for 26 27 malpractice in the District of Columbia or any state or territory of 28 the United States: 29 (b) An affidavit stating that the information contained in the 30 application and any accompanying material is true and correct; (c) A fee in the amount of the fee for an application for a 31 32 license required pursuant to paragraph (a) of subsection 3 of NRS 33 635.050: and 34 (d) Any other information required by the Board. 35 3. Not later than 15 business days after receiving an application for a license by endorsement to practice podiatry 36 pursuant to this section, the Board shall provide written notice to 37 the applicant of any additional information required by the Board 38 to consider the application. Unless the Board denies the 39 application for good cause, the Board shall approve the 40 41 application and issue a license by endorsement to practice podiatry to the applicant not later than: 42 (a) Forty-five days after receiving the application; or 43

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634A, 635, 636 and 637Å, respectively, of NRS. 2 [6.] 7. The grounds and procedures respecting disciplinary 3 4 actions against physician assistants.

[7.] 8. The supervision of medical services of a physician

Sec. 11. Chapter 635 of NRS is hereby amended by adding

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optometrists and hearing aid specialists under chapters 631, 634,



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1 (b) Ten days after the Board receives a report on the 2 applicant's background based on the submission of the applicant's 3 fingerprints,

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5 4. A license by endorsement to practice podiatry may be 6 issued at a meeting of the Board or between its meetings by the 7 President of the Board. Such an action shall be deemed to be an 8 action of the Board.

Sec. 12. NRS 635.050 is hereby amended to read as follows:

10 635.050 1. Any person wishing to practice podiatry in this 11 State must, before beginning to practice, procure from the Board a 12 license to practice podiatry.

13 2. [A] Except as otherwise provided in section 11 of this act, a
 14 license to practice podiatry may be issued by the Board to any
 15 person who:

(a) Is of good moral character.

17 (b) Is a citizen of the United States or is lawfully entitled to 18 remain and work in the United States.

19 (c) Has received the degree of D.P.M., Doctor of Podiatric 20 Medicine, from an accredited school of podiatry.

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

(e) Has passed the examination given by the National Board ofPodiatric Medical Examiners.

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

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

32 (a) The fee for an application for a license , *including a license*33 *by endorsement*, of not more than \$600;

34 (b) Proof satisfactory to the Board that the requirements of 35 subsection 2 have been met; and

36 (c) All other information required by the Board to complete an37 application for a license.

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

40 4. The Board may reject an application if it appears that the 41 applicant's credentials are fraudulent or the applicant has practiced 42 podiatry without a license or committed any act described in 43 subsection 2 of NRS 635.130.





The Board may require such further documentation or proof 1 5. 2 of qualification as it may deem proper.

3 The provisions of this section do not apply to a person who 6 4 applies for:

5 (a) A limited license to practice podiatry pursuant to NRS 6 635.075: or

7 (b) A provisional license to practice podiatry pursuant to NRS 635.082. 8

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

10 635.065 1. In addition to the other requirements for licensure set forth in this chapter, an applicant for a license to practice 11 podiatry in this State who has been licensed to practice podiatry in 12 13 another state or the District of Columbia must submit: 14

(a) An affidavit signed by the applicant that:

15 (1) Identifies each jurisdiction in which the applicant has 16 been licensed to practice; and

17 (2) States whether a disciplinary proceeding has ever been 18 instituted against the applicant by the licensing board of that 19 jurisdiction and, if so, the status of the proceeding; and

20 (b) If the applicant is currently licensed to practice podiatry in another state or the District of Columbia, a certificate from the 21 22 licensing board of that jurisdiction stating that the applicant is in 23 good standing and no disciplinary proceedings are pending against 24 the applicant.

25 2. [The] Except as otherwise provided in section 11 of this act, the Board may require an applicant who has been licensed to 26 27 practice podiatry in another state or the District of Columbia to:

(a) Pass an examination prescribed by the Board concerning the 28 29 provisions of this chapter and any regulations adopted pursuant 30 thereto; or

(b) Submit satisfactory proof that:

32 (1) The applicant maintained an active practice in another state or the District of Columbia within the 5 years immediately 33 34 preceding the application;

(2) No disciplinary proceeding has ever been instituted 35 against the applicant by a licensing board in any jurisdiction in 36 which he or she is licensed to practice podiatry; and 37

38 (3) The applicant has participated in a program of continuing 39 education that is equivalent to the program of continuing education that is required pursuant to NRS 635.115 for podiatric physicians 40 41 licensed in this State.

42 Sec. 13.1. Chapter 636 of NRS is hereby amended by adding 43 thereto a new section to read as follows:

44 The Board may issue a license by endorsement to engage 1. 45 in the practice of optometry to an applicant who meets the



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1 requirements set forth in this section. An applicant may submit to 2 the Board an application for such a license if the applicant holds a 3 corresponding valid and unrestricted license to engage in the practice of optometry in the District of Columbia or any state or 4 5 territory of the United States. 6 2. An applicant for a license by endorsement pursuant to this

7 section must submit to the Board with his or her application: (a) **Proof satisfactory to the Board that the applicant:**

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(1) Satisfies the requirements of subsection 1;

10 (2) Is a citizen of the United States or otherwise has the 11 legal right to work in the United States;

(3) Has had no adverse actions reported to the National 12 13 **Practitioner Data Bank within the past 5 years;**

14 (4) Has been continuously and actively engaged in the 15 practice of optometry for the past 5 years;

16 (5) Has not been disciplined and is not currently under 17 investigation by the corresponding regulatory authority of the 18 District of Columbia or any state or territory in which the applicant currently holds or has held a license to engage in the 19 20 practice of optometry; and

21 (6) Has not been held civilly or criminally liable for 22 malpractice in the District of Columbia or any state or territory of 23 the United States:

(b) An affidavit stating that the information contained in the 24 25 application and any accompanying material is true and correct; 26 and 27

(c) Any other information required by the Board.

3. Not later than 15 business days after receiving an 28 29 application for a license by endorsement to engage in the practice 30 of optometry pursuant to this section, the Board shall provide written notice to the applicant of any additional information 31 required by the Board to consider the application. Unless the 32 Board denies the application for good cause, the Board shall 33 approve the application and issue a license by endorsement to 34 35 engage in the practice of optometry to the applicant not later than 36 45 days after receiving the application.

37 4. A license by endorsement to engage in the practice of 38 optometry 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. 13.3.** NRS 636.143 is hereby amended to read as follows: 42 636.143 The Board shall establish within the limits prescribed

43 a schedule of fees for the following purposes:





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3	Examination		\$500
4	Reexamination		500
5	Issuance of each license		
6	duplicate license, inclu		
7	a license by endorsemen		75
8	Renewal of each licens		
9	duplicate license		500
10	Issuance of a license fo		
11	extended clinical facility	[,] 100	500
12	Issuance of a replace		
13	renewal card for a licens		50
14	Sec. 13.5. NRS 636.150 is he		
15	636.150 [Any] Except as oth		
16	this act, any person applying for	a license to pract	tice optometry in
17	this State must:		
18	1. File proof of his or her qua		
19	2. Make application for an ex		
20	3. Take and pass the examination		
21	4. Pay the prescribed fees; an	d	
22	5. Verify that all the informa	tion he or she ha	s provided to the
23	Board or to any other entity pu	ursuant to the pr	rovisions of this
24	chapter is true and correct.		
25	Sec. 13.7. NRS 636.155 is he		
26	636.155 [An] Except as othe	erwise provided i	n section 13.1 of
27	this act, an applicant must fi	le with the Ex	ecutive Director
28	satisfactory proof that the applicar	nt:	
29	1. Is at least 21 years of age;		
30	2. Is a citizen of the United	l States or is lav	vfully entitled to
31	reside and work in this country;		
32	3. Is of good moral character		
33	4. Has been certified or rece		
34	cardiopulmonary resuscitation		
35	immediately preceding the examin		
36	5. Has graduated from a scho	ool of optometry	accredited by the
37	established professional agency		
38	standard of 6 college years, and		
39	admission to the courses in opton		
40	study in a college of arts and scien		
41	of American Universities or a simil	llar regional accre	diting agency.
42	Sec. 13.9. NRS 636.215 is h	ereby amended to	read as follows:
43	636.215 The Board shall exe	cute a license for	each person who
44	has satisfied the requirements of	NRS 636.150 01	r section 13.1 of

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1 *this act* and submitted all information required to complete an 2 application for a license. A license must:

3 1. Certify that the licensee has been examined and found 4 qualified to practice optometry in this State; and

5 6 2. Be signed by each member of the Board. Sec. 14. Chapter 637B of NRS is hereby amended by adding

7 thereto a new section to read as follows:

8 The Board may issue a license by endorsement to engage 1. 9 in the practice of audiology or speech pathology to an applicant who meets the requirements set forth in this section. An applicant 10 may submit to the Board an application for such a license if the 11 applicant holds a corresponding valid and unrestricted license to 12 13 engage in the practice of audiology or speech pathology, as applicable, in the District of Columbia or any state or territory of 14 15 the United States.

2. An applicant for a license by endorsement pursuant to this
section must submit to the Board with his or her application:
(a) Proof satisfactory to the Board that the applicant:

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(1) Satisfies the requirements of subsection 1;

20 (2) Is a citizen of the United States or otherwise has the 21 legal right to work in the United States;

22 (3) Has not been disciplined or investigated by the 23 corresponding regulatory authority of the District of Columbia or 24 any state or territory in which the applicant currently holds or has 25 held a license to engage in the practice of audiology or speech 26 pathology, as applicable; and

27 (4) Has not been held civilly or criminally liable for 28 malpractice in the District of Columbia or any state or territory of 29 the United States;

30 (b) An affidavit stating that the information contained in the 31 application and any accompanying material is true and correct; 32 and

(c) Any other information required by the Board.

34 Not later than 15 business days after receiving an 3. 35 application for a license by endorsement to engage in the practice of audiology or speech pathology pursuant to this section, the 36 Board shall provide written notice to the applicant of any 37 additional information required by the Board to consider the 38 39 application. Unless the Board denies the application for good cause, the Board shall approve the application and issue a license 40 41 by endorsement to engage in the practice of audiology or speech pathology, as applicable, to the applicant not later than 45 days 42 after receiving the application. 43





1 4. A license by endorsement to engage in the practice of 2 audiology or speech pathology may be issued at a meeting of the Board or between its meetings by the President of the Board. Such 3 4 an action shall be deemed to be an action of the Board.

5 **Sec. 15.** NRS 637B.160 is hereby amended to read as follows: 6 637B.160 1. [An] Except as otherwise provided in section 7 14 of this act, an applicant for a license to engage in the practice of

8 audiology or speech pathology must be issued a license by the 9 Board if the applicant: (a) Is over the age of 21 years;

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11 (b) Is a citizen of the United States, or is lawfully entitled to 12 remain and work in the United States: 13

(c) Is of good moral character;

14 (d) Meets the requirements for education or training and 15 experience provided by subsection 2;

16 (e) Has completed at least 300 clock hours of supervised clinical 17 experience in audiology or speech pathology, or both;

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

(g) Passes any examination required by this chapter;

(h) Pays the fees provided for in this chapter; and

21 (i) Submits all information required to complete an application 22 for a license.

23 2. An applicant must possess a master's degree in audiology or 24 in speech pathology from an accredited educational institution or 25 possess equivalent training and experience. If an applicant seeks to qualify on the basis of equivalent training and experience, the 26 applicant must submit to the Board satisfactory evidence that he or 27 28 she has obtained at least 60 semester credits, or equivalent quarter 29 credits, in courses related to the normal development, function and 30 use of speech and language or hearing, including, but not limited to, 31 the management of disorders of speech or hearing and the legal, 32 professional and ethical practices of audiology or speech pathology. 33 At least 24 of the 60 credits, excluding any credits obtained for a thesis or dissertation, must have been obtained for courses directly 34 35 relating to audiology or speech pathology.

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Sec. 16. NRS 637B.230 is hereby amended to read as follows:

37 The Board shall charge and collect only the 637B.230 1. 38 following fees whose amounts must be determined by the Board, but 39 may not exceed: 40

41 Application fee for a license to practice speech pathology, *including a license by* 42 43 endorsement......\$100





1	Application fee for a license to practice
2	audiology, <i>including a license by</i>
3	endorsement\$100
4	Annual fee for the renewal of a license
5	Reinstatement fee75
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7	2. All fees are payable in advance and may not be refunded.
8	Sec. 17. Chapter 639 of NRS is hereby amended by adding
9	thereto the provisions set forth as sections 18 and 19 of this act.
10	Sec. 18. 1. The Board may issue a certificate by
11	endorsement as a registered pharmacist to an applicant who meets
12	the requirements set forth in this section. An applicant may submit
13	to the Board an application for such a certificate if the applicant
14	holds a corresponding valid and unrestricted certificate as a
15	registered pharmacist in the District of Columbia or any state or
16	territory of the United States.
17	2. An applicant for a certificate by endorsement pursuant to
18	this section must submit to the Board with his or her application:
19	(a) Proof satisfactory to the Board that the applicant:
20	(1) Satisfies the requirements of subsection 1;
21	(2) Is a citizen of the United States or otherwise has the
22	legal right to work in the United States;
23	(3) Has not been disciplined or investigated by the
24	corresponding regulatory authority of the District of Columbia or
25	any state or territory in which the applicant currently holds or has
26	held a certificate as a registered pharmacist; and
27	(4) Has not been held civilly or criminally liable for
28	malpractice in the District of Columbia or any state or territory of
29	the United States;
30	(b) An affidavit stating that the information contained in the
31	application and any accompanying material is true and correct;
32	and
33	(c) Any other information required by the Board.
34 35	3. Not later than 15 business days after receiving an
35 36	application for a certificate by endorsement as a registered pharmacist pursuant to this section, the Board shall provide
30 37	written notice to the applicant of any additional information
37	required by the Board to consider the application. Unless the
38 39	Board denies the application for good cause, the Board shall
39 40	approve the application and issue a certificate by endorsement as a
40 41	registered pharmacist to the applicant not later than 45 days after
41	receiving the application.
42 43	<i>4.</i> A certificate by endorsement as a registered pharmacist
43 44	may be issued at a meeting of the Board or between its meetings by
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the President of the Board. Such an action shall be deemed to be 1 2 an action of the Board.

Sec. 19. 1. The Board may issue a license by endorsement 3 to conduct a pharmacy to an applicant who is a natural person 4 5 and who meets the requirements set forth in this section. An 6 applicant may submit to the Board an application for such a license if the applicant holds a corresponding valid and 7 unrestricted license to conduct a pharmacy in the District of 8 Columbia or any state or territory of the United States. 9

10 2. An applicant for a license by endorsement pursuant to this section must submit to the Board with his or her application: 11

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

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(1) Satisfies the requirements of subsection 1;

14 (2) Is a citizen of the United States or otherwise has the 15 legal right to work in the United States:

16 (3) Has not been disciplined or investigated by the corresponding regulatory authority of the District of Columbia or 17 18 any state or territory in which the applicant currently holds or has 19 held a license to conduct a pharmacy; and

(4) Has not been held civilly or criminally liable for 20 malpractice in the District of Columbia or any state or territory of 21 22 the United States;

23 (b) An affidavit stating that the information contained in the application and any accompanying material is true and correct; 24 25 and 26

(c) Any other information required by the Board.

27 Not later than 15 business days after receiving an 3. application for a license by endorsement to conduct a pharmacy 28 29 pursuant to this section, the Board shall provide written notice to 30 the applicant of any additional information required by the Board 31 to consider the application. Unless the Board denies the application for good cause, the Board shall approve the 32 application and issue a license by endorsement to conduct a 33 pharmacy to the applicant not later than 45 days after receiving 34 35 the application.

36 4. A license by endorsement to conduct a pharmacy may be issued at a meeting of the Board or between its meetings by the 37 38 President of the Board. Such an action shall be deemed to be an 39 action of the Board.

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

639.015 "Registered pharmacist" means:

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

43 A person registered in this State as such in compliance with 2. 44 the provisions of paragraph (c) of section 3 of chapter 195, Statutes 45 of Nevada 1951; or





1 3. A person who has complied with the provisions of NRS 2 639.120, 639.134 or section 18 of this act and whose name has been entered in the registry of pharmacists of this State by the 3 Executive Secretary of the Board and to whom a valid certificate or 4 5 *certificate by endorsement* as a registered pharmacist or valid 6 renewal thereof has been issued by the Board.

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

639.120 1. [An] Except as otherwise provided in NRS 8 639.134 and section 18 of this act, an applicant to become a 9 10 registered pharmacist in this State must:

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(a) Be of good moral character.

(b) Be a graduate of a college of pharmacy or department of 12 13 pharmacy of a university accredited by the Accreditation Council 14 for Pharmacy Education or Canadian Council for Accreditation of 15 Pharmacy Programs and approved by the Board or a graduate of a 16 foreign school who has passed an examination for foreign graduates approved by the Board to demonstrate that his or her education is 17 18 equivalent.

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(c) Except as otherwise provided in NRS 622.090:

20 (1) Pass an examination approved and given by the Board 21 with a grade of at least 75 on the examination as a whole and a 22 grade of at least 75 on the examination on law.

23 (2) If he or she is an applicant for registration by reciprocity, 24 pass the examination on law with at least a grade of 75.

25 (d) Complete not less than 1,500 hours of practical 26 pharmaceutical experience as an intern pharmacist under the direct 27 and immediate supervision of a registered pharmacist.

28 2. The practical pharmaceutical experience required pursuant 29 to paragraph (d) of subsection 1 must relate primarily to the selling 30 of drugs, poisons and devices, the compounding and dispensing of 31 prescriptions, preparing prescriptions and keeping records and preparing reports required by state and federal statutes. 32

33 3 The Board may accept evidence of compliance with the 34 requirements set forth in paragraph (d) of subsection 1 from boards 35 of pharmacy of other states in which the experience requirement is 36 equivalent to the requirements in this State. 37

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

639.127 1. An applicant for registration as a pharmacist in 38 39 this State must submit an application to the Executive Secretary of 40 the Board on a form furnished by the Board and must pay the fee 41 fixed by the Board. The fee must be paid at the time the application is submitted and is compensation to the Board for the investigation 42 43 and the examination of the applicant. Under no circumstances may 44 the fee be refunded.





1 2 3 4 5	 Proof of the qualifications of any applicant must be made to the satisfaction of the Board and must be substantiated by affidavits, records or such other evidence as the Board may require. An application is only valid for 1 year after the date it is received by the Board unless the Board extends its period of
6	validity.
7	4. A certificate of registration as a pharmacist must be issued to
8 9	each person who the Board determines is qualified pursuant to the provisions of NRS 639.120 and 639.134 [] and section 18 of this
10	act. The certificate entitles the person to whom it is issued to
11	practice pharmacy in this State.
12	Sec. 23. NRS 639.170 is hereby amended to read as follows:
13	639.170 1. The Board shall charge and collect not more than
14	the following fees for the following services:
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16	For the examination of an applicant for
17	registration as a pharmacist
18	of the
19	examination
20	For the investigation or registration of an
21	applicant as a registered pharmacist,
22	including a certificate by endorsement\$200
23	For the investigation, examination or
24	registration of an applicant as a registered
25	pharmacist by reciprocity
26	For the investigation or issuance of an
27	original license to conduct a retail
28	pharmacy , <i>including a license by</i>
29	endorsement
30	For the biennial renewal of a license to
31	conduct a retail pharmacy 500
32	For the investigation or issuance of an
33	original license to conduct an institutional
34	pharmacy , <i>including a license by</i>
35	endorsement
36	For the biennial renewal of a license to
37	conduct an institutional pharmacy
38	For the issuance of an original or duplicate
39	certificate of registration as a registered
40	pharmacist, including a certificate by
41	<i>endorsement</i>
42	For the biennial renewal of registration as a
43	registered pharmacist





period of lapse)	\$100
For the initial registration of a	
pharmaceutical technician or	
pharmaceutical technician in training	
For the biennial renewal of registration of a	
pharmaceutical technician or	
For the investigation or registration of an	
intern pharmacist	
For the biennial renewal of registration as an	
intern pharmacist	
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reissued because of a change in the	
or both	
For the biennial renewal of authorization of a	
substances or dangerous drugs, or both	
2. If an applicant submits an application for a	certificate of
registration or license by endorsement pursuant to se	
	 For the reinstatement of a lapsed registration (in addition to the fees for renewal for the period of lapse) For the initial registration of a pharmaceutical technician or pharmaceutical technician in training For the biennial renewal of registration of a pharmaceutical technician in training For the biennial renewal of registration of an pharmaceutical technician in training For the biennial renewal of registration of an intern pharmacist For the biennial renewal of registration as an intern pharmacist For the biennial renewal of registration as an intern pharmacist For the biennial renewal of a license for a manufacturer or wholesaler For the reissuance of a license issued to a pharmacy, when no change of ownership is involved, but the license must be reissued because of a change in the information required thereon

registration or license by endorsement pursuant to section 18 or 19
 of this act, as applicable, the Board shall charge and collect not
 more than the fee specified in subsection 1, respectively, for:

34 (a) The initial registration and issuance of an original 35 certificate of registration as a registered pharmacist.

36 (b) The issuance of an original license to conduct a retail or 37 an institutional pharmacy.

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

[3.] 4. All fees are payable in advance and are not refundable.

44 [4.] 5. The Board may, by regulation, set the penalty for 45 failure to pay the fee for renewal for any license, permit,



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authorization or certificate within the statutory period, at an amount
 not to exceed 100 percent of the fee for renewal for each year of
 delinquency in addition to the fees for renewal for each year of
 delinquency.

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

6 639.231 1. An application to conduct a pharmacy must be 7 made on a form furnished by the Board and must state the name, 8 address, usual occupation and professional qualifications, if any, of 9 the applicant. If the applicant is other than a natural person, the 10 application must state such information as to each person 11 beneficially interested therein.

12 2. As used in subsection 1, and subject to the provisions of 13 subsection 3, the term "person beneficially interested" means:

14 (a) If the applicant is a partnership or other unincorporated 15 association, each partner or member.

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

19 3. If the applicant is a partnership, unincorporated association 20 or corporation and the number of partners, members or stockholders, as the case may be, exceeds four, the application must so state, and 21 22 must list each of the four partners, members or stockholders who 23 own the four largest interests in the applicant entity and state their 24 percentages of interest. Upon request of the Executive Secretary of 25 the Board, the applicant shall furnish the Board with information as 26 to partners, members or stockholders not named in the application or 27 shall refer the Board to an appropriate source of such information.

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

34 5. [Upon] Except as otherwise provided in section 19 of this act, upon compliance with all the provisions of this section and 35 upon approval of the application by the Board, the Executive 36 37 Secretary shall issue a license to the applicant to conduct a pharmacy. Any other provision of law notwithstanding, such a 38 39 license authorizes the holder to conduct a pharmacy and to sell and 40 dispense drugs and poisons and devices and appliances that are 41 restricted by federal law to sale by or on the order of a physician.

42 Sec. 25. Chapter 640 of NRS is hereby amended by adding 43 thereto a new section to read as follows:

44 1. The Board may issue a license by endorsement as a 45 physical therapist to an applicant who meets the requirements set





1 forth in this section. An applicant may submit to the Board an application for such a license if the applicant holds a 2 3 corresponding valid and unrestricted license as a physical therapist in the District of Columbia or any state or territory of the 4 5 United States.

6 2. An applicant for a license by endorsement pursuant to this 7 section must submit to the Board with his or her application: 8

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

(1) Satisfies the requirements of subsection 1;

(2) Is a citizen of the United States or otherwise has the 10 legal right to work in the United States; 11

(3) Has not been disciplined or investigated by the 12 13 corresponding regulatory authority of the District of Columbia or 14 any state or territory in which the applicant currently holds or has 15 held a license as a physical therapist; and

16 (4) Has not been held civilly or criminally liable for 17 malpractice in the District of Columbia or any state or territory of 18 the United States:

(b) A complete set of fingerprints and written permission 19 authorizing the Board to forward the fingerprints in the manner 20 21 provided in NRS 640.090:

22 (c) An affidavit stating that the information contained in the application and any accompanying material is true and correct; 23

(d) A fee in the amount of the fee set by a regulation of the 24 Board pursuant to subsection 3 of NRS 640.090 for an application 25 26 for a license: and 27

(e) Any other information required by the Board.

3. Not later than 15 business days after receiving an 28 29 application for a license by endorsement as a physical therapist pursuant to this section, the Board shall provide written notice to 30 31 the applicant of any additional information required by the Board to consider the application. Unless the Board denies the 32 application for good cause, the Board shall approve the application and issue a license by endorsement as a physical 33 34 35 therapist to the applicant not later than: 36

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

(b) Ten days after the Board receives a report on the 37 applicant's background based on the submission of the applicant's 38 fingerprints. 39

whichever occurs later. 40

41 4. A license by endorsement as a physical therapist may be 42 issued at a meeting of the Board or between its meetings by the Chair of the Board. Such an action shall be deemed to be an 43 44 action of the Board.



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

640.080 [To] Except as otherwise provided in section 25 of 2 3 this act, to be eligible for licensure by the Board as a physical 4 therapist, an applicant must: 5

1. Be of good moral character;

6 2. Have graduated from a school in which he or she completed a curriculum of physical therapy approved by the Board; and 7

3. Pass to the satisfaction of the Board an examination 8 9 designated by the Board, unless he or she is entitled to licensure 10 without examination as provided in NRS 640.120 or 640.140. 11

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

12 640.090 Unless he or she is entitled to licensure under NRS 13 640.120 or 640.140, or section 25 of this act, a person who desires 14 to be licensed as a physical therapist must:

15 Apply to the Board, in writing, on a form furnished by the 1. 16 Board;

17 2. Include in the application evidence, under oath, satisfactory 18 to the Board, that the person possesses the qualifications required by NRS 640.080 other than having passed the examination; 19

20 3. Pay to the Board at the time of filing the application a fee set 21 by a regulation of the Board in an amount not to exceed \$300;

22 Submit to the Board with the application a complete set of 4. fingerprints which the Board may forward to the Central Repository 23 for Nevada Records of Criminal History for submission to the 24 25 Federal Bureau of Investigation for its report;

26 5. Submit other documentation and proof the Board may 27 require; and

28 Submit all other information required to complete the 6. 29 application.

30 **Sec. 28.** Chapter 640A of NRS is hereby amended by adding 31 thereto a new section to read as follows:

The Board may issue a license by endorsement as an 32 1. 33 occupational therapist to an applicant who meets the requirements 34 set forth in this section. An applicant may submit to the Board an application for such a license if the applicant holds a 35 corresponding valid and unrestricted license as an occupational 36 therapist in the District of Columbia or any state or territory of the 37 38 United States.

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

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

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(1) Satisfies the requirements of subsection 1;

(2) Is a citizen of the United States or otherwise has the 43 44 legal right to work in the United States;





1 (3) Has not been disciplined or investigated by the corresponding regulatory authority of the District of Columbia or 2 any state or territory in which the applicant currently holds or has 3 held a license as an occupational therapist; and 4

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

8 (b) An affidavit stating that the information contained in the 9 application and any accompanying material is true and correct;

10 (c) A fee in the amount of the fee set by a regulation of the Board pursuant to NRS 640A.190 for the initial issuance of a 11 12 license: and

(d) Any other information required by the Board.

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

4. A license by endorsement as an occupational therapist may 23 24 be issued at a meeting of the Board or between its meetings by the 25 Chair of the Board. Such an action shall be deemed to be an 26 action of the Board. 27

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

28 640A.120 [To] Except as otherwise provided in section 28 of 29 *this act, to* be eligible for licensing by the Board as an occupational 30 therapist or occupational therapy assistant, an applicant must:

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1. Be a natural person of good moral character.

2. Except as otherwise provided in NRS 640A.130, have 32 33 satisfied the academic requirements of an educational program approved by the Board. The Board shall not approve an educational 34 35 program designed to qualify a person to practice as an occupational therapist or an occupational therapy assistant unless the program is 36 37 accredited by the Accreditation Council for Occupational Therapy 38 Education of the American Occupational Therapy Association, Inc., 39 or its successor organization.

40 Except as otherwise provided in NRS 640A.130, have 3. 41 successfully completed:

42 (a) If the application is for licensing as an occupational therapist, 43 24 weeks; or

44 (b) If the application is for licensing as an occupational therapy 45 assistant, 16 weeks.





experience was sponsored by the American Occupational Therapy 3 Association, Inc., or its successor organization, or the educational 4 5 institution at which the applicant satisfied the requirements of 6 subsection 2. 7 4. Except as otherwise provided in NRS 640A.160 and 8 640A.170, pass an examination approved by the Board. **Sec. 30.** NRS 640A.140 is hereby amended to read as follows: 9 10 640A.140 1. [A] Except as otherwise provided in section 28 of this act, a person who desires to be licensed by the Board as an 11 12 occupational therapist or occupational therapy assistant must: 13 (a) Submit an application to the Board on a form furnished by 14 the Board: and 15 (b) Provide evidence satisfactory to the Board that he or she 16 possesses the qualifications required pursuant to subsections 1, 2 17 and 3 of NRS 640A.120. 18 2. The application must include all information required to 19 complete the application. 20 **Sec. 31.** NRS 640A.190 is hereby amended to read as follows: 21 640A.190 1. The Board may by regulation establish 22 reasonable fees for: 23 (a) The examination of an applicant for a license; (b) The initial issuance of a license $\frac{1}{12}$, *including a license by* 24 25 endorsement; 26 (c) The issuance of a temporary license; 27 (d) The renewal of a license: and (e) The late renewal of a license. 28 29 The fees must be set in such an amount as to reimburse the 2. 30 Board for the cost of carrying out the provisions of this chapter. 31 **Sec. 32.** Chapter 640C of NRS is hereby amended by adding 32 thereto a new section to read as follows: 33 1. The Board may issue a license by endorsement to practice massage therapy to an applicant who meets the requirements set 34 forth in this section. An applicant may submit to the Board an 35 application for such a license if the applicant holds a 36 corresponding valid and unrestricted license to practice massage 37 38 therapy in the District of Columbia or any state or territory of the 39 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: (a) **Proof satisfactory to the Board that the applicant:** 42 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;



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→ of supervised fieldwork experience approved by the Board. The

Board shall not approve any supervised experience unless the

1 (3) Has not been disciplined or investigated by the 2 corresponding regulatory authority of the District of Columbia or any state or territory in which the applicant currently holds or has 3 held a license to practice massage therapy; and 4

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

(b) A complete set of fingerprints and written permission 8 authorizing the Board to forward the fingerprints in the manner 9 10 provided in NRS 640C.400;

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

13 (d) The fees prescribed by the Board pursuant to NRS 14 640C.520 for the application for and initial issuance of a license; 15 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 to practice massage therapy pursuant to this section, the Board shall provide written 19 notice to the applicant of any additional information required by 20 the Board to consider the application. Unless the Board denies the 21 application for good cause, the Board shall approve the 22 application and issue a license by endorsement to practice 23 24 massage therapy to the applicant not later than: 25

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

(b) Ten days after the Board receives a report on the 26 27 applicant's background based on the submission of the applicant's 28 fingerprints,

29 whichever occurs later.

4. A license by endorsement to practice massage therapy may 30 31 be issued at a meeting of the Board or between its meetings by the 32 Chair and Executive Director of the Board. Such an action shall 33 be deemed to be an action of the Board. 34

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

35 640C.400 1. The Board may issue a license to practice 36 massage therapy.

37 2. An applicant for a license must:

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

39 (b) [Submit] Except as otherwise provided in section 32 of this 40 *act*, *submit* to the Board:

(1) A completed application on a form prescribed by the 41 42 Board:

43 (2) The fees prescribed by the Board pursuant to 44 NRS 640C.520;





1 (3) Proof that the applicant has successfully completed a program of massage therapy recognized by the Board; 2

3 (4) A certified statement issued by the licensing authority in 4 each state, territory or possession of the United States or the District 5 of Columbia in which the applicant is or has been licensed to 6 practice massage therapy verifying that:

7 (I) The applicant has not been involved in any 8 disciplinary action relating to his or her license to practice massage 9 therapy; and

10 (II) Disciplinary proceedings relating to his or her license 11 to practice massage therapy are not pending;

(5) Except as otherwise provided in NRS 640C.440, a 12 13 complete set of fingerprints and written permission authorizing the 14 Board to forward the fingerprints to the Central Repository for 15 Nevada Records of Criminal History for submission to the Federal 16 Bureau of Investigation for its report;

(6) The names and addresses of five natural persons not 17 18 related to the applicant and not business associates of the applicant 19 who are willing to serve as character references;

(7) A statement authorizing the Board or its designee to 20 21 conduct an investigation to determine the accuracy of any 22 statements set forth in the application; and 23

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

24 (c) In addition to any examination required pursuant to NRS 25 640C.320 [+] and except as otherwise provided in section 32 of this 26 act:

27 (1) Except as otherwise provided in subsection 3, pass a written examination administered by any board that is accredited by 28 the National Commission for Certifying Agencies, or its successor 29 30 organization, to examine massage therapists; or

31 (2) At the applicant's discretion and in lieu of a written 32 examination, pass an oral examination prescribed by the Board.

33 3. If the Board determines that the examinations being administered pursuant to subparagraph (1) of paragraph (c) of 34 35 subsection 2 are inadequately testing the knowledge and competency of applicants, the Board shall prepare or cause to be 36 prepared its own written examination to test the knowledge and 37 38 competency of applicants. Such an examination must be offered not 39 less than four times each year. The location of the examination must alternate between Clark County and Washoe County. Upon request, 40 41 the Board must provide a list of approved interpreters at the location of the examination to interpret the examination for an applicant 42 who, as determined by the Board, requires an interpreter for the 43 44 examination





- 1 4. The Board shall recognize a program of massage therapy 2 that is:
- 3 (a) Approved by the Commission on Postsecondary Education;
 4 or
- 5 (b) Offered by a public college in this State or any other state.
- 6 \rightarrow The Board may recognize other programs of massage therapy.

7 5. [The] Except as otherwise provided in section 32 of this 8 act, the Board or its designee shall:

- (a) Conduct an investigation to determine:
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(1) The reputation and character of the applicant;

11 (2) The existence and contents of any record of arrests or 12 convictions of the applicant;

13 (3) The existence and nature of any pending litigation 14 involving the applicant that would affect his or her suitability for 15 licensure; and

16 (4) The accuracy and completeness of any information 17 submitted to the Board by the applicant;

18 (b) If the Board determines that it is unable to conduct a 19 complete investigation, require the applicant to submit a financial 20 questionnaire and investigate the financial background and each 21 source of funding of the applicant;

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

25 (d) Except as otherwise provided in NRS 239.0115, maintain the results of the investigation in a confidential manner for use by the 26 Board and its members and employees in carrying out their duties 27 28 pursuant to this chapter. The provisions of this paragraph do not 29 prohibit the Board or its members or employees from 30 communicating or cooperating with or providing any documents or 31 other information to any other licensing board or any other federal, state or local agency that is investigating a person, including, 32 33 without limitation, a law enforcement agency.

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

36 Sec. 35. 1. The Board may issue a license by endorsement 37 as a psychologist or behavior analyst to an applicant who meets 38 the requirements set forth in this section. An applicant may submit 39 to the Board an application for such a license if the applicant 40 holds a corresponding valid and unrestricted license as a 41 psychologist or behavior analyst, as applicable, in the District of 42 Columbia or any state or territory of the United States.

43 2. An applicant for a license by endorsement pursuant to this
44 section must submit to the Board with his or her application:
45 (a) Proof satisfactory to the Board that the applicant:





corresponding regulatory authority of the District of Columbia or any state or territory in which the applicant currently holds or has 6 held a license as a psychologist or behavior analyst, as applicable; 7 and 9 (4) Has not been held civilly or criminally liable for malpractice in the District of Columbia or any state or territory of 10 11 the United States: 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 641.160: 15 (c) An affidavit stating that the information contained in the 16 application and any accompanying material is true and correct; (d) The fee prescribed by the Board pursuant to NRS 641.370 17 for the issuance of an initial license; and 18 19 (e) Any other information required by the Board. 3. Not later than 15 business days after receiving an 20 21 application for a license by endorsement as a psychologist or behavior analyst 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 a 26

27 psychologist or behavior analyst, as applicable, to the applicant 28 not later than: 29

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

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

whichever occurs later. 33

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4. A license by endorsement as a psychologist or behavior 34 analyst may be issued at a meeting of the Board or between its 35 meetings by the President of the Board. Such an action shall be 36 37 deemed to be an action of the Board.

a certificate 38 Sec. 36. 1. The Board may issue bv 39 endorsement as an autism behavior interventionist to an applicant who meets the requirements set forth in this section. An applicant 40 may submit to the Board an application for such a certificate if the 41 42 applicant holds a corresponding valid and unrestricted certificate 43 as an autism behavior interventionist in the District of Columbia 44 or any state or territory of the United States.





(2) Is a citizen of the United States or otherwise has the

(3) Has not been disciplined or investigated by the

(1) Satisfies the requirements of subsection 1;

legal right to work in the United States;

An applicant for a certificate by endorsement pursuant to
 this section must submit to the Board with his or her application:
 (a) Proof satisfactory to the Board that the applicant:

(1) Satisfies the requirements of subsection 1;

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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 any state or territory in which the applicant currently holds or has
 10 held a certificate as an autism behavior interventionist; 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;

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

16 (c) The fee prescribed by the Board pursuant to NRS 641.370 17 for the issuance of an initial certificate; and

(d) Any other information required by the Board.

19 Not later than 15 business days after receiving an 3. 20 application for a certificate by endorsement as an autism behavior interventionist pursuant to this section, the Board shall provide 21 22 written notice to the applicant of any additional information required by the Board to consider the application. Unless the 23 Board denies the application for good cause, the Board shall 24 approve the application and issue a certificate by endorsement as 25 an autism behavior interventionist to the applicant not later than 26 27 45 days after receiving the application.

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

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

641.170 1. [Each] Except as otherwise provided in section
 35 of this act, each application for licensure as a psychologist must
 be accompanied by evidence satisfactory to the Board that the
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(a) Is at least 21 years of age.

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

39 (c) Is a citizen of the United States, or is lawfully entitled to 40 remain and work in the United States.

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





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

4 2. [Each] *Except as otherwise provided in section 35 of this* 5 *act, each* application for licensure as a behavior analyst must be 6 accompanied by evidence satisfactory to the Board that the 7 applicant:

8 9 (a) Is at least 21 years of age.

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

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

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

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

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

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

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(a) Is at least 21 years of age.(b) Is of good moral character as determined by the Board.

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

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

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

(f) Has completed satisfactorily a written examination in Nevadalaw and ethical practice as administered by the Board.

4. [Within] Except as otherwise provided in section 35 of this 40 act, within 120 days after receiving an application and the 41 accompanying evidence from an applicant, the Board shall:

42 (a) Evaluate the application and accompanying evidence and
43 determine whether the applicant is qualified pursuant to this section
44 for licensure; and





1 (b) Issue a written statement to the applicant of its 2 determination.

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

5 (a) If the Board determines that the qualifications of the 6 applicant are insufficient for licensure, a detailed explanation of the 7 reasons for that determination.

8 (b) If the applicant for licensure as a psychologist has not earned 9 a doctorate in psychology from an accredited educational institution 10 approved by the Board and the Board determines that the doctorate-11 level training from an accredited educational institution is not 12 equivalent in subject matter and extent of training, a detailed 13 explanation of the reasons for that determination.

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

641.172 1. [Each] Except as otherwise provided in section
36 of this act, each application for certification as an autism
behavior interventionist must be accompanied by evidence
satisfactory to the Board that the applicant:

(a) Is at least 18 years of age.(b) Is of good moral character

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

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

(d) Has completed satisfactorily a written examination inNevada law and ethical practice as administered by the Board.

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

2. [Within] Except as otherwise provided in section 36 of this 33 act, within 120 days after receiving an application and the 34 accompanying evidence from an applicant, the Board shall:

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

38 (b) Issue a written statement to the applicant of its 39 determination.

40 3. If the Board determines that the qualifications of the 41 applicant are insufficient for certification, the written statement 42 issued to the applicant pursuant to subsection 2 must include a 43 detailed explanation of the reasons for that determination.



Sec. 39. NRS 641.180 is hereby amended to read as follows: 641.180 1. Except as otherwise provided in this section and NRS 641.190, and section 35 of this act, each applicant for a license as a psychologist must pass the national examination. In addition to the national examination, the Board may require an examination in whatever applied or theoretical fields it deems appropriate. 2. The Board shall notify each applicant of the results of the national examination and any other examination required pursuant to subsection 1. 3. The Board may waive the requirement of the national examination for a person who: (a) Is licensed in another state; (b) Has at least 10 years' experience; and (c) Is a diplomate in the American Board of Professional Psychology or a fellow in the American Board of Professional Psychology or a fellow in the American Board of Professional Psychology or a fellow in the American Board collect not more than the following fees respectively: 21 For the national examination, in addition to the actual cost to the Board of the examination	1	
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professional counselor, as applicable, in the District of Columbia
 or any state or territory of the 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:

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(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 any state or territory in which the applicant currently holds or has





1 held a license as a marriage and family therapist or clinical professional counselor, as applicable; and 2

3 (4) Has not been held civilly or criminally liable for 4 malpractice in the District of Columbia or any state or territory of 5 the United States:

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

(c) The fees prescribed by the Board pursuant to NRS 8 641A.290 for the application for and initial issuance of a license; 9 10 and

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(d) Any other information required by the Board.

12 Not later than 15 business days after receiving an 3. 13 application for a license by endorsement to practice as a marriage 14 and family therapist or clinical professional counselor pursuant to 15 this section, the Board shall provide written notice to the applicant 16 of any additional information required by the Board to consider the application. Unless the Board denies the application for good 17 18 cause, the Board shall approve the application and issue a license 19 by endorsement to practice as a marriage and family therapist or clinical professional counselor, as applicable, to the applicant not 20 21 later than 45 days after receiving the application.

4. A license by endorsement to practice as a marriage and 22 family therapist or clinical professional counselor may be issued 23 at a meeting of the Board or between its meetings by the President 24 25 of the Board. Such an action shall be deemed to be an action of the Board. 26

27 **Sec. 42.** NRS 641A.220 is hereby amended to read as follows: 28 641A.220 [Each] Except as otherwise provided in section 41 29 of this act, each applicant for a license to practice as a marriage and

30 family therapist must furnish evidence satisfactory to the Board that 31 the applicant:

- 32 1. Is at least 21 years of age; 33
 - 2 Is of good moral character;

Is a citizen of the United States, or is lawfully entitled to 34 3. 35 remain and work in the United States;

Has completed residency training in psychiatry from an 36 4. accredited institution approved by the Board, has a graduate degree 37 in marriage and family therapy, psychology or social work from an 38 39 accredited institution approved by the Board or has completed other 40 education and training which is deemed equivalent by the Board; 41

5. Has.

42 (a) At least 2 years of postgraduate experience in marriage and 43 family therapy; and





1 (b) At least 3,000 hours of supervised experience in marriage 2 and family therapy, of which at least 1,500 hours must consist of 3 direct contact with clients; and

4 6. Holds an undergraduate degree from an accredited 5 institution approved by the Board.

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

7 641A.230 1. Except as otherwise provided in subsection 2 [-] 8 and section 41 of this act, each qualified applicant for a license to 9 practice as a marriage and family therapist must pass a written 10 examination given by the Board on his or her knowledge of 11 marriage and family therapy. Examinations must be given at a time 12 and place and under such supervision as the Board may determine.

13 2. The Board shall accept receipt of a passing grade by a 14 qualified applicant on the national examination sponsored by the 15 Association of Marital and Family Therapy Regulatory Boards in 16 lieu of requiring a written examination pursuant to subsection 1.

17 3. In addition to the requirements of subsections 1 and 2, the 18 Board may require an oral examination. The Board may examine 19 applicants in whatever applied or theoretical fields it deems 20 appropriate.

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Sec. 44. NRS 641A.231 is hereby amended to read as follows:

641A.231 [Each] Except as otherwise provided in section 41
 of this act, each applicant for a license to practice as a clinical
 professional counselor must furnish evidence satisfactory to the
 Board that the applicant:

26 27 1. Is at least 21 years of age;

2. Is of good moral character;

3. Is a citizen of the United States, or is lawfully entitled to remain and work in the United States;

30 4. Has:

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

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

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

42 5. Has:

43 (a) At least 2 years of postgraduate experience in professional44 counseling;





(1) At least 1,500 hours of direct contact with clients: and (2) At least 100 hours of counseling under the direct 4 supervision of an approved supervisor of which at least 1 hour per 5 6 week was completed for each work setting at which the applicant provided counseling; and 7 (c) Passed the National Clinical Mental Health Counseling 8 Examination which is administered by the National Board for 9 10 Certified Counselors. Sec. 45. Chapter 641B of NRS is hereby amended by adding 11 12 thereto a new section to read as follows: 13 The Board may issue a license by endorsement to engage 1. 14 in social work to an applicant who meets the requirements set 15 forth in this section. An applicant may submit to the Board an application for such a license if the applicant holds a 16 corresponding valid and unrestricted license to engage in social 17 work in the District of Columbia or any state or territory of the 18 19 United States. 20 2. An applicant for a license by endorsement pursuant to this 21 section must submit to the Board with his or her application: 22 (a) **Proof satisfactory to the Board that the applicant:** (1) Satisfies the requirements of subsection 1; 23 (2) Is a citizen of the United States or otherwise has the 24 25 legal right to work in the United States; (3) Has not been disciplined or investigated by the 26 27 corresponding regulatory authority of the District of Columbia or any state or territory in which the applicant currently holds or has 28 29 held a license to engage in social work; 30 (4) Has not been held civilly or criminally liable for malpractice in the District of Columbia or any state or territory of 31 32 the United States; and 33 (5) Has been continuously and actively engaged in social 34 *work for the past 5 years;* (b) A complete set of fingerprints and written permission 35 authorizing the Board to forward the fingerprints in the manner 36 37 provided in NRS 641B.202; 38 (c) An affidavit stating that the information contained in the 39 application and any accompanying material is true and correct; 40 and 41 (d) Any other information required by the Board. 42 Not later than 15 business days after receiving an 3. application for a license by endorsement to engage in social work 43 44 pursuant to this section, the Board shall provide written notice to 45 the applicant of any additional information required by the Board * S B 6 8 R 3 *

(b) At least 3,000 hours of supervised experience in professional

counseling which includes, without limitation:

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to consider the application. Unless the Board denies the 1 application for good cause, the Board shall approve the 2 application and issue a license by endorsement to engage in social 3 4 work 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 applicant's background based on the submission of the applicant's 7 8 fingerprints,

whichever occurs later. 9

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10 4. A license by endorsement to engage in social work may be issued at a meeting of the Board or between its meetings by the 11 President of the Board. Such an action shall be deemed to be an 12 13 action of the Board.

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

15 641B.250 1. Except as otherwise provided in NRS 641B.270 16 and 641B.275, and section 45 of this act, before the issuance of a 17 license, each applicant, otherwise eligible for licensure, who has 18 paid the fee and presented the required credentials, other than an 19 applicant for a license to engage in social work as an associate in social work, must appear personally and pass an examination 20 concerning his or her knowledge of the practice of social work. 21

22 Any such examination must be fair and impartial, practical 2. 23 in character with questions designed to discover the applicant's 24 fitness.

25 3. The Board may employ specialists and other professional 26 consultants or examining services in conducting the examination.

27 4. The member of the Board who is the representative of the general public shall not participate in the grading of the 28 29 examination.

30 5. The Board shall examine applicants for licensure at least 31 twice a year. 32

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

33 641B.300 1. The Board shall charge and collect fees not to exceed the following amounts for: 34 35

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36	Initial application	
37	Provisional license	75
38	Initial issuance of a license, <i>including a license by</i>	
39	endorsement	100
40	Annual renewal of a license	150
41	Restoration of a suspended license or reinstatement	
42	of a revoked license	150
43	Restoration of an expired license	200
44	Renewal of a delinquent license	
45	Reciprocal license without examination	100





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

5 **Sec. 48.** Chapter 641C of NRS is hereby amended by adding 6 thereto the provisions set forth as sections 49 to 53, inclusive, of this 7 act.

8 Sec. 49. 1. The Board may issue a license by endorsement 9 as a clinical alcohol and drug abuse counselor to an applicant 10 who meets the requirements set forth in this section. An applicant 11 may submit to the Board an application for such a license if the 12 applicant holds a corresponding valid and unrestricted license as a 13 clinical alcohol and drug abuse counselor in the District of 14 Columbia or any state or territory of the United States.

An applicant for a license by endorsement pursuant to this
 section must submit to the Board with his or her application:
 (a) Proof satisfactory to the Board that the applicant:

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(1) Satisfies the requirements of subsection 1;

19 (2) Is a citizen of the United States or otherwise has the 20 legal right to work in the United States;

21 (3) Has not been disciplined or investigated by the 22 corresponding regulatory authority of the District of Columbia or 23 any state or territory in which the applicant currently holds or has 24 held a license as a clinical alcohol and drug abuse counselor; and

25 (4) Has not been held civilly or criminally liable for 26 malpractice in the District of Columbia or any state or territory of 27 the United States;

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

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

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

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

Not later than 15 business days after receiving an 37 3. application for a license by endorsement as a clinical alcohol and 38 drug abuse counselor pursuant to this section, the Board shall 39 provide written notice to the applicant of any additional 40 information required by the Board to consider the application. 41 Unless the Board denies the application for good cause, the Board 42 shall approve the application and issue a license by endorsement 43 44 as a clinical alcohol and drug abuse counselor to the applicant not 45 later than:





1 (a) Forty-five days after receiving the application; or 2 (b) Ten days after the Board receives a report on the applicant's background based on the submission of the applicant's 3 4 fingerprints, 5 whichever occurs later. 6 4. A license by endorsement as a clinical alcohol and drug abuse counselor may be issued at a meeting of the Board or 7 between its meetings by the President of the Board. Such an action 8 9 shall be deemed to be an action of the Board. 10 Sec. 50. 1. The Board may issue a license by endorsement as an alcohol and drug abuse counselor to an applicant who meets 11 the requirements set forth in this section. An applicant may submit 12 13 to the Board an application for such a license if the applicant 14 holds a corresponding valid and unrestricted license as an alcohol 15 and drug abuse counselor in the District of Columbia or any state or territory of the United States. 16 17 2. An applicant for a license by endorsement pursuant to this 18 section must submit to the Board with his or her application: 19 (a) **Proof satisfactory to the Board that the applicant:** 20 (1) Satisfies the requirements of subsection 1; 21 (2) Is a citizen of the United States or otherwise has the legal right to work in the United States; 22 (3) Has not been disciplined or investigated by the 23 corresponding regulatory authority of the District of Columbia or 24 any state or territory in which the applicant currently holds or has 25 held a license as an alcohol and drug abuse counselor; and 26 (4) Has not been held civilly or criminally liable for 27 malpractice in the District of Columbia or any state or territory of 28 29 the United States: 30 (b) A complete set of fingerprints and written permission 31 authorizing the Board to forward the fingerprints in the manner 32 provided in NRS 641C.260; 33 (c) An affidavit stating that the information contained in the 34 application and any accompanying material is true and correct; (d) The fees prescribed by the Board pursuant to NRS 35 641C.470 for the initial application for and issuance of an initial 36 37 license; and 38 (e) Any other information required by the Board. 39 3. Not later than 15 business days after receiving an application for a license by endorsement as an alcohol and drug 40 abuse counselor pursuant to this section, the Board shall provide 41 written notice to the applicant of any additional information 42 required by the Board to consider the application. Unless the 43 Board denies the application for good cause, the Board shall 44

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1 approve the application and issue a license by endorsement as an 2 alcohol and drug abuse counselor to the applicant not later than: 3

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

(b) Ten days after the Board receives a report on the 4 applicant's background based on the submission of the applicant's 5 6 fingerprints,

whichever occurs later. 7

4. A license by endorsement as an alcohol and drug abuse 8 counselor may be issued at a meeting of the Board or between its 9 meetings by the President of the Board. Such an action shall be 10 deemed to be an action of the Board. 11

12 Sec. 51. 1. The Board may issue a certificate bv 13 endorsement as an alcohol and drug abuse counselor to an 14 applicant who meets the requirements set forth in this section. An 15 applicant may submit to the Board an application for such a 16 certificate if the applicant holds a corresponding valid and unrestricted certificate as an alcohol and drug abuse counselor in 17 the District of Columbia or any state or territory of the United 18 19 States.

20 2. An applicant for a certificate by endorsement pursuant to 21 this section must submit to the Board with his or her application: (a) **Proof satisfactory to the Board that the applicant:**

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(1) Satisfies the requirements of subsection 1;

(2) Is a citizen of the United States or otherwise has the 24 legal right to work in the United States; 25

(3) Has not been disciplined or investigated by the 26 27 corresponding regulatory authority of the District of Columbia or any state or territory in which the applicant currently holds or has 28 29 held a certificate as an alcohol and drug abuse counselor; and

(4) Has not been held civilly or criminally liable for 30 malpractice in the District of Columbia or any state or territory of 31 32 the United States:

(b) A complete set of fingerprints and written permission 33 34 authorizing the Board to forward the fingerprints in the manner 35 provided in NRS 641C.260;

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

(d) The fees prescribed by the Board pursuant to NRS 38 39 641C.470 for the initial application for and issuance of an initial 40 certificate; and 41

(e) Any other information required by the Board.

42 3. Not later than 15 business days after receiving an application for a certificate by endorsement as an alcohol and 43 44 drug abuse counselor pursuant to this section, the Board shall provide written notice to the applicant of any additional 45





information required by the Board to consider the application.
 Unless the Board denies the application for good cause, the Board
 shall approve the application and issue a certificate by
 endorsement as an alcohol and drug abuse counselor to the
 applicant not later than:

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

7 (b) Ten days after the Board receives a report on the 8 applicant's background based on the submission of the applicant's 9 fingerprints,

10 *whichever occurs later.*

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

15 Sec. 52. 1. The Board may issue a certificate by 16 endorsement as a problem gambling counselor to an applicant 17 who meets the requirements set forth in this section. An applicant 18 may submit to the Board an application for such a certificate if the 19 applicant holds a corresponding valid and unrestricted certificate 20 as a problem gambling counselor in the District of Columbia or 21 any state or territory of the United States.

22 2. An applicant for a certificate by endorsement pursuant to
23 this section must submit to the Board with his or her application:
24 (a) Proof satisfactory to the Board that the applicant:

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(1) Satisfies the requirements of subsection 1;

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

28 (3) Has not been disciplined or investigated by the 29 corresponding regulatory authority of the District of Columbia or 30 any state or territory in which the applicant currently holds or has 31 held a certificate as a problem gambling counselor; and

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

35 (b) A complete set of fingerprints and written permission 36 authorizing the Board to forward the fingerprints in the manner 37 provided in NRS 641C.260;

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

40 (d) The fees prescribed by the Board pursuant to NRS 41 641C.470 for the initial application for and issuance of an initial 42 certificate; and

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

44 3. Not later than 15 business days after receiving an 45 application for a certificate by endorsement as a problem





gambling counselor pursuant to this section, the Board shall 1 provide written notice to the applicant of any additional 2 information required by the Board to consider the application. 3 Unless the Board denies the application for good cause, the Board 4 shall approve the application and issue a certificate by 5 endorsement as a problem gambling counselor to the applicant not 6 7 later than:

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

(b) Ten days after the Board receives a report on the 9 10 applicant's background based on the submission of the applicant's fingerprints. 11

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13 4. A certificate by endorsement as a problem gambling counselor may be issued at a meeting of the Board or between its 14 meetings by the President of the Board. Such an action shall be 15 16 deemed to be an action of the Board.

17 Sec. 53. 1. Notwithstanding any regulations adopted 18 pursuant to NRS 641C.500, the Board may issue a certificate by 19 endorsement as a detoxification technician to an applicant who meets the requirements set forth in this section. An applicant may 20 submit to the Board an application for such a certificate if the 21 applicant holds a corresponding valid and unrestricted certificate 22 as a detoxification technician in the District of Columbia or any 23 state or territory of the United States. 24

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

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

(1) Satisfies the requirements of subsection 1;

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

31 (3) Has not been disciplined or investigated by the corresponding regulatory authority of the District of Columbia or 32 any state or territory in which the applicant currently holds or has 33 34 held a certificate as a detoxification technician; and

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

(b) A complete set of fingerprints and written permission 38 39 authorizing the Board to forward the fingerprints in the manner provided pursuant to NRS 641C.500; 40

(c) An affidavit stating that the information contained in the 41 42 application and any accompanying material is true and correct;

43 (d) Any fee prescribed by the Board pursuant to NRS 44 641C.500 for the issuance of a certificate; and

45 (e) 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 a detoxification 3 technician pursuant to this section, the Board shall provide written notice to the applicant of any additional information required by 4 the Board to consider the application. Unless the Board denies the 5 application for good cause, the Board shall approve the 6 7 application and issue a certificate by endorsement as a 8 detoxification technician to the applicant not later than:

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

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

13 whichever occurs later.

14 4. A certificate by endorsement as a detoxification technician 15 may be issued at a meeting of the Board or between its meetings by 16 the President of the Board. Such an action shall be deemed to be 17 an action of the Board.

Sec. 54. NRS 641C.290 is hereby amended to read as follows: 18

19 641C.290 1. [Each] Except as otherwise provided in section 20 49 of this act, each applicant for a license as a clinical alcohol and 21 drug abuse counselor must pass a written and oral examination 22 concerning his or her knowledge of the clinical practice of counseling alcohol and drug abusers, the applicable provisions of 23 24 this chapter and any applicable regulations adopted by the Board 25 pursuant to the provisions of this chapter.

26 2. [Each] Except as otherwise provided in section 50 or 51 of this act, each applicant for a license or certificate as an alcohol and 27 28 drug abuse counselor must pass a written and oral examination concerning his or her knowledge of the practice of counseling 29 30 alcohol and drug abusers, the applicable provisions of this chapter 31 and any applicable regulations adopted by the Board pursuant to the 32 provisions of this chapter.

33 3. **Each** Except as otherwise provided in section 52 of this *act, each* applicant for a certificate as a problem gambling counselor 34 35 must pass a written examination concerning his or her knowledge of the practice of counseling problem gamblers, the applicable 36 provisions of this chapter and any applicable regulations adopted by 37 38 the Board pursuant to the provisions of this chapter.

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The Board shall: (a) Examine applicants at least two times each year.

(b) Establish the time and place for the examinations.

42 (c) Provide such books and forms as may be necessary to 43 conduct the examinations.

44 (d) Except as otherwise provided in NRS 622.090, establish, by 45 regulation, the requirements for passing the examination.



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5. The Board may employ other persons to cond	uct the
examinations.	
Sec. 55. NRS 641C.470 is hereby amended to read as for	ollows:
641C.470 1. The Board shall charge and collect no	ot more
than the following fees:	
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For the initial application for a license or certificate	
endorsement	\$150
For the issuance of a provisional license or	
certificate	125
For the issuance of an initial license or certificate,	
including a license or certificate by	
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For the renewal of a license or certificate as an	
alcohol and drug abuse counselor, a license as a	
clinical alcohol and drug abuse counselor or a	
certificate as a problem gambling counselor	300
For the renewal of a certificate as a clinical alcohol	
and drug abuse counselor intern, an alcohol and	
drug abuse counselor intern or a problem	
gambling counselor intern	75
For the renewal of a delinquent license or certificate	75
For the restoration of an expired license or	
certificate	150
For the restoration or reinstatement of a suspended	
or revoked license or certificate	300
For the issuance of a license or certificate without	
examination	150
For an examination	150
For the approval of a course of continuing	
education	150
2. If an applicant submits an application for a lice	ense or
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fees specified in subsection 1 for the initial application	for and
issuance of an initial license or certificate, as applicable.	
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not refundable.	
	 Sec. 55. NRS 641C.470 is hereby amended to read as fo 641C.470 1. The Board shall charge and collect not than the following fees: For the initial application for a license or certificate by endorsement. For the issuance of a provisional license or certificate. For the issuance of an initial license or certificate by endorsement. For the issuance of a license or certificate by endorsement. For the renewal of a license or certificate by endorsement. For the renewal of a license or certificate as an alcohol and drug abuse counselor, a license as a clinical alcohol and drug abuse counselor or a certificate as a problem gambling counselor. For the renewal of a certificate as a clinical alcohol and drug abuse counselor intern, an alcohol and drug abuse counselor intern. For the renewal of a delinquent license or certificate

41 Sec. 56. This act becomes effective upon passage and 42 approval.

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