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NOTICE OF INTENT TO ACT UPON A REGULATION

Notice of Hearing for the Adoption, Amendment and Repeal Of Regulations of the Commission on Peace Officer Standards and Training

PUBLIC COMMENT HEARING NOTICE: The Commission on Peace Officer Standards and Training ("Commission") will be holding a Public Comment Hearing at 10:00 a.m. on Tuesday, July 19, 2022, at the POST Administrative Building, Classroom #2, 5587 Wa Pai Shone Ave., Carson City, NV 89701. The purpose of the hearing is to receive comments from all interested persons regarding the adoption, amendment and repeal of regulations that pertain to Chapter 289 of the Nevada Administrative Code (NAC).

The following information is provided pursuant to the requirements of NRS 233B.0603:

1. The need for and purpose of the proposed regulations.

Existing law requires the Peace Officer Standards and Training Commission to adopt regulations establishing minimum standards for the certification and decertification, recruitment, selection and training of peace officers. (NRS 289.510)

The update to the existing regulation will allow for executive level peace officers that are employed in Nevada through reciprocity to receive recognition by Nevada of their professional development certificates, an additional hiring incentive for Nevada Law Enforcement agencies. Additionally, the update of the existing regulation will also allow access to this Executive Certificate to executive positions based on years in service.

2. For a temporary regulation, the terms, or the substance of the regulation to be adopted, amended or repealed, or a description of the subjects and issues involved.

This is a permanent regulation.

3. For a proposed regulation, a statement explaining how to obtain the approved or revised text of the proposed regulation.

The proposed regulation text may be obtained by going to the Register of Administrative Regulations for 2020 and clicking the link: www.leg.state.nv.us/Register/2020Register/R053-22P.pdf, by contacting Chief Kathy Floyd at kfloyd@post.state.nv.us or by telephone at 775-687-7678, ext. 3335 or going to the Nevada Commission on POST website at https://post.nv.gov.

- 4. The estimated economic effect of the regulation on the business which it is to regulate and on the public. These must be stated separately and, in each case, must include:
 - (a) Both adverse and beneficial effects; and
 - (1) Adverse effects: None
 - (2) Beneficial effects: The update to the existing regulation will allow for executive level peace officers that are employed in Nevada through reciprocity to receive credit for their professional certificates they obtained throughout their career, an additional hiring incentive and negotiation point for Nevada Law Enforcement agencies. Additionally, the update of the existing regulation will also allow access to this Executive Certificate to executive positions based on years in service.
 - (b) Both immediate and long-term effects:
 - (1) The immediate effects: None
 - (2) The long-term effects: None
- 5. The methods used by the agency in determining the impact on a small business.

The Commission on POST has reviewed the text of the proposed regulations. Because the regulation amends Nevada Administrative Code Chapter 289, dealing with certification provisions of peace officers, the proposed amendments to NAC Chapter 289 will have no impact on small business.

6. The estimated cost to the agency for enforcement of the proposed regulation.

None

7. A description of and citation to any regulations of other states or local governmental agencies which the proposed regulation overlaps or duplicates and a statement explaining why the duplication or overlapping is necessary. If the proposed regulation overlaps or duplicates a federal regulation, the notice must include the name of the regulating federal agency.

The proposed regulation does not overlap or duplicate any regulations of state, local or federal governmental agency regulating the same activity.

8. If the regulation is required pursuant to federal law, a citation and description of the federal law.

The proposed regulation is not required by federal law.

9. If the regulation includes provisions which are more stringent than a federal regulation that regulates the same activity, a summary of such provision.

There are no federal regulations that regulate the same activity.

10. Whether the proposed regulation establishes a new fee or increases an existing fee.

This regulation does not involve or establish fees.

11. For a temporary regulation, each address at which the text of the regulation may be inspected and copied.

N/A

Persons wishing to comment upon the proposed action of the Commission on Peace Officer Standards and Training (Commission on POST) may appear at the scheduled public hearing or may address their comments, data, views or arguments, in written form, to Michael D. Sherlock, Executive Director, Commission on POST, 5587 Wa Pai Shone Avenue, Carson City, Nevada 89701. Written submissions must be received by the Commission on POST on or before 5:00 pm on June 29, 2022. If no person who is directly affected by the proposed action appears to request time to make an oral presentation, the Commission on POST may proceed immediately to act upon any written submissions.

This Notice of Intent to Act Upon Regulations and the proposed regulation will be on file at the State Library, Archives and Public Records Administrator, 100 Stewart Street, Carson City, Nevada for inspection by members of the public during business hours. Additional copies of the notice and regulations to be adopted, amended or repealed will be available at the Commission on POST Administrative Offices, 5587 Wai Pai Shone Avenue, Carson City, 89701, State of Nevada Register of Administrative Regulations, which is prepared and published monthly by the Legislative Counsel Bureau pursuant to NRS 233B.0653, and on the Internet at http://leg.state.nv.us, the POST web site at http://post.nv.gov and the State of Nevada Department of Administration website at https://notice.nv.gov.

Copies of this notice and the proposed regulation will also be mailed to members of the public at no charge upon request.

Upon adoption of any regulation, the agency, if requested to do so by an interested person, either before adoption or within 30 days thereafter, shall issue a concise statement of the principal reasons for and against its adoption and incorporate therein its reason for overruling the consideration urged against its adoption

The Notice of Intent to Act Upon Regulations and the proposed regulation have been sent to all criminal justice agencies on the Commission on POST Listserv list and posted at the following locations:

Commission on POST Administrative Office Carson City, NV 89701

http://post.nv.gov

http://notice.nv.gov

http://leg.state.nv.us

NOTE: We are pleased to make reasonable accommodations for members of the public with disabilities who wish to attend the meeting. If special arrangements for the meeting are necessary, please notify the Commission on POST, in writing, at 5587 Wai Pai Shone Avenue, Carson City, Nevada 89701, or call Chief Kathy Floyd at (775) 687-7678, Extension 3335, no later than five working days prior to the meeting.

SEE ATTACHED COPIES OF THE PROPOSED REGULATIONS

PROPOSED REGULATION OF THE PEACE OFFICERS'

STANDARDS AND TRAINING COMMISSION

LCB File No. R053-22

May 10, 2022

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

AUTHORITY: § 1, NRS 289.510

A REGULATION relating to peace officers; revising the requirements for the granting of an executive certificate to a peace officer; and providing other matters properly relating thereto.

Legislative Counsel's Digest:

Existing law requires the Peace Officers' Standards and Training Commission to adopt regulations establishing minimum standards for the certification and training of peace officers. (NRS 289.510)

Existing regulations provide that the Commission will grant an executive certificate to an officer upon submission of proof satisfactory that the officer meets certain minimum requirements, including that the officer has current basic, intermediate, advanced, supervisor and management certificates. (NAC 289.270) This regulation provides instead that the Commission will grant an executive certificate to an officer upon submission of proof satisfactory that the officer meets certain minimum requirements, including that the officer has: (1) current basic, intermediate, advanced, supervisor and management certificates; (2) current certificates from a certifying entity of the Federal Government or another state if the requirements for such certification are consistent with and not of a lower standard than the regulations for a current basic, intermediate, advanced, supervisor or management certificate, as applicable; or (3) training and experience in another state that are consistent with and not of a lower standard than the regulations for a current basic, intermediate, advanced, supervisor or management certificate, as applicable, if that state does not issue an equivalent certification.

This regulation also provides that the Commission will grant an executive certificate to an officer upon submission of proof satisfactory to the Commission that the officer has been elected or appointed to the position of sheriff of a county or chief of a metropolitan or city police department for at least 5 consecutive years.

Section 1. NAC 289.270 is hereby amended to read as follows:

- 289.270 1. [The] Except as otherwise provided in subsection 2, the Commission will grant an executive certificate to an officer upon submission of proof satisfactory to the Commission that the officer meets the following minimum requirements:
 - (a) One of the following:
 - (1) A current basic certificate.
- (2) An equivalent current certificate from a certifying entity of the Federal Government or another state, if the requirements for the certification are consistent with and not of a lower standard than the provisions of NAC 289.200, as determined by the Commission.
- (3) Training and experience in another state that are consistent with and not of a lower standard than the provisions of NAC 289.200, as determined by the Commission, if that state does not issue an equivalent certification.
 - (b) One of the following:
 - (1) A current intermediate certificate.
- (2) An equivalent current certificate from a certifying entity of the Federal Government or another state, if the requirements for the certification are consistent with and not of a lower standard than the provisions of NAC 289.240, as determined by the Commission.
- (3) Training and experience in another state that are consistent with and not of a lower standard than the provisions of NAC 289.240, as determined by the Commission, if that state does not issue an equivalent certification.
 - (c) One of the following:
 - (1) A current advanced certificate.

- (2) An equivalent current certificate from a certifying entity of the Federal Government or another state, if the requirements for the certification are consistent with and not of a lower standard than the provisions of NAC 289.250, as determined by the Commission.
- (3) Training and experience in another state that are consistent with and not of a lower standard than the provisions of NAC 289.250, as determined by the Commission, if that state does not issue an equivalent certification.

(d) One of the following:

- (1) A current supervisor certificate.
- (2) An equivalent current certificate from a certifying entity of the Federal Government or another state, if the requirements for the certification are consistent with and not of a lower standard than the provisions of NAC 289.255, as determined by the Commission.
- (3) Training and experience in another state that are consistent with and not of a lower standard than the provisions of NAC 289.255, as determined by the Commission, if that state does not issue an equivalent certification.

(e) One of the following:

- (1) A current management certificate.
- (2) An equivalent current certificate from a certifying entity of the Federal Government or another state, if the requirements for the certification are consistent with and not of a lower standard than the provisions of NAC 289.260, as determined by the Commission.
- (3) Training and experience in another state that are consistent with and not of a lower standard than the provisions of NAC 289.260, as determined by the Commission, if that state does not issue an equivalent certification.

- (f) Six years of experience as a peace officer, including at least 1 year of experience in an executive level position and a current assignment in an executive level position.
- (g) Two hundred hours of training in advanced management in addition to the training completed for the basic, intermediate, advanced, supervisor and management certificates.
- (h) The applicant must present proof that the current assignment meets the criteria for an executive level position as set forth in NAC 289.047 by submitting a letter of recommendation with the application which is signed by the administrator of the agency. The letter must include an organizational chart which demonstrates the applicant's position within the agency and must describe the manner in which the applicant's current assignment meets the criteria for an executive level position as set forth in NAC 289.047.
- 2. The Commission will grant an executive certificate to an officer upon submission of proof satisfactory to the Commission that the officer has been elected or appointed to the position of sheriff of a county or chief of a metropolitan or city police department for at least 5 consecutive years.
- 3. In making a determination pursuant to subsection 1 [,] or 2, the Commission will review and consider each applicant individually.