

SENATE BILL NO. 251—SENATORS SCHEIBLE; CRUZ-CRAWFORD,  
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Referred to Committee on Commerce and Labor

SUMMARY—Revises provisions relating to psychological assistants, psychological interns and psychological trainees. (BDR 54-714)

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

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

AN ACT relating to psychologists; providing for the issuance of a provisional license to psychological assistants, psychological interns and psychological trainees; revising certain fees charged to psychological assistants, psychological interns and psychological trainees; and providing other matters properly relating thereto.

**Legislative Counsel’s Digest:**

1 Existing law: (1) requires a person who wishes to obtain certain postdoctoral  
2 experience in psychology to register with the Board of Psychological Examiners as  
3 a psychological assistant; and (2) authorizes a person who is in a doctoral training  
4 program or certain doctorate-level training and who wishes to engage in a  
5 predoctoral internship or to perform professional activities under the supervision of  
6 a psychologist outside of a formal internship to register with the Board as a  
7 psychological intern or psychological trainee, respectively. (NRS 641.226) **Section**  
8 **13** of this bill provides for such persons to instead obtain a provisional license as a  
9 psychological assistant, psychological intern or psychological trainee, as applicable.  
10 **Section 13** provides that: (1) a person seeking a provisional license as a  
11 psychological intern or psychological trainee must have completed any courses  
12 required for his or her doctoral training program or doctorate-level training; and (2)  
13 a provisional license as a psychological intern or psychological trainee expires 1  
14 year after issuance, rather than 2 years after issuance, unless the provisional license  
15 is renewed. **Section 13** further provides that the holder of a provisional license as a  
16 psychological assistant, psychological intern or psychological trainee may take the  
17 national exam and any other examination authorized by the Board for full licensure  
18 as a psychologist.  
19 Existing law authorizes the Board to charge and collect a fee of not more than  
20 \$250 for the initial registration of a psychological assistant, psychological intern or



21 psychological trainee and a fee of not more than \$150 for the renewal of such a  
22 registration. (NRS 641.228) **Section 14** of this bill reduces the fee that the Board is  
23 authorized to charge and collect for an initial provisional license as a psychological  
24 intern or psychological trainee and the fee for the renewal of such a provisional  
25 license to not more than \$25.

26 **Sections 1-12 and 15-28** of this bill make conforming changes to replace  
27 references to registration as a psychological assistant, psychological intern and  
28 psychological trainee with references to a provisional license.

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

1 **Section 1.** NRS 641.0263 is hereby amended to read as  
2 follows:

3 641.0263 "Psychological assistant" means a person ~~registered~~  
4 ~~with the Board~~ *holding a provisional license* as a psychological  
5 assistant *issued by the Board* pursuant to ~~subsection 1 of NRS~~  
6 ~~641.226.~~ *NRS 641.110.*

7 **Sec. 2.** NRS 641.0265 is hereby amended to read as follows:

8 641.0265 "Psychological intern" means a person ~~registered~~  
9 ~~with the Board~~ *holding a provisional license* as a psychological  
10 intern *issued by the Board* pursuant to ~~subsection 2 of NRS~~  
11 ~~641.226.~~ *NRS 641.110.*

12 **Sec. 3.** NRS 641.0267 is hereby amended to read as follows:

13 641.0267 "Psychological trainee" means a person ~~registered~~  
14 ~~with the Board~~ *holding a provisional license* as a psychological  
15 trainee *issued by the Board* pursuant to ~~subsection 3 of NRS~~  
16 ~~641.226.~~ *NRS 641.110.*

17 **Sec. 4.** NRS 641.090 is hereby amended to read as follows:

18 641.090 1. The Secretary-Treasurer shall make and keep on  
19 behalf of the Board:

- 20 (a) A record of all its meetings and proceedings.  
21 (b) A record of all violations and prosecutions under the  
22 provisions of this chapter.  
23 (c) A record of all examinations of applicants.  
24 (d) A register of all licenses and ~~registrations.~~ *provisional*  
25 *licenses.*  
26 (e) A register of all holders of licenses and ~~registrations.~~  
27 *provisional licenses.*  
28 (f) An inventory of the property of the Board and of the State in  
29 the Board's possession.

30 2. These records must be kept in the office of the Board and,  
31 except as otherwise provided in this section, are subject to public  
32 inspection during normal working hours upon reasonable notice.

33 3. Except as otherwise provided in NRS 239.0115, the Board  
34 may keep the personnel records of applicants confidential.



1 4. Except as otherwise provided in this section and NRS  
2 239.0115, a complaint filed with the Board, all documents and other  
3 information filed with the complaint and all documents and other  
4 information compiled as a result of an investigation conducted to  
5 determine whether to initiate disciplinary action against a person are  
6 confidential, unless the person submits a written statement to the  
7 Board requesting that such documents and information be made  
8 public records.

9 5. The charging documents filed with the Board to initiate  
10 disciplinary action pursuant to chapter 622A of NRS and all other  
11 documents and information considered by the Board when  
12 determining whether to impose discipline are public records.

13 6. The provisions of this section do not prohibit the Board from  
14 communicating or cooperating with or providing any documents or  
15 other information to any other licensing board or any other agency  
16 that is investigating a person, including, without limitation, a law  
17 enforcement agency.

18 **Sec. 5.** NRS 641.100 is hereby amended to read as follows:

19 641.100 1. The Board shall adopt regulations:

20 (a) Prescribing uniform standards concerning the locations at  
21 which persons obtaining supervised experience that is required for  
22 licensure by the Board provide services;

23 (b) Authorizing the remote supervision, including, without  
24 limitation, electronic supervision, of persons obtaining supervised  
25 experience that is required for licensure by the Board who are  
26 working at remote sites and prescribing standards concerning such  
27 remote supervision; and

28 (c) Prescribing a manner by which the qualifications for the  
29 issuance or renewal of a license under the provisions of this chapter  
30 will be made available to the public such that those qualifications  
31 are clearly defined and easily understood.

32 2. The Board may make and promulgate any other rules and  
33 regulations not inconsistent with the provisions of this chapter  
34 governing its procedure, the examination and licensure of  
35 applicants, the granting, refusal, revocation or suspension of  
36 licenses, the ~~registration of persons~~ *issuance of provisional*  
37 *licenses* as psychological assistants, psychological interns or  
38 psychological trainees and the practice of psychology.

39 3. On the date that the Board gives notice pursuant to NRS  
40 233B.060 of its intent to adopt, amend or repeal a regulation, the  
41 Board shall submit the regulation to the Commission on Behavioral  
42 Health for review. The Commission shall review the regulation and  
43 make recommendations to the Board concerning the advisability of  
44 adopting, amending or repealing the regulation and any changes that  
45 the Commission deems advisable.



1       **Sec. 6.** NRS 641.110 is hereby amended to read as follows:  
2       641.110 1. The Board may, under the provisions of this  
3 chapter:

4       (a) Examine and pass upon the qualifications of the applicants  
5 for licensure.

6       (b) License qualified applicants.

7       (c) ~~Register a person~~ *Issue provisional licenses* as a  
8 psychological assistant, psychological intern or psychological  
9 trainee ~~to~~ *to qualified applicants.*

10       (d) Revoke or suspend licenses , *provisional licenses* and  
11 registrations.

12       (e) Collect all fees and make disbursements pursuant to this  
13 chapter.

14       2. The member of the Board who is a representative of the  
15 general public shall not participate in preparing, conducting or  
16 grading any examination required by the Board.

17       **Sec. 7.** NRS 641.1105 is hereby amended to read as follows:

18       641.1105 The Board may enter into an agreement with the  
19 Department of Health and Human Services or a division thereof to  
20 provide services to carry out or improve any function of the Board.  
21 Such services may include, without limitation:

22       1. Assistance in processing applications for the issuance or  
23 renewal of licenses and ~~registrations;~~ *provisional licenses;*

24       2. Technical assistance;

25       3. Facilitating cooperation with other boards and licensing  
26 entities in this State or any other jurisdiction;

27       4. Recommendations to improve and standardize procedures  
28 used by the Board; and

29       5. Assistance in identifying resources for improving the  
30 operations of the Board.

31       **Sec. 8.** NRS 641.117 is hereby amended to read as follows:

32       641.117 The Board shall prescribe forms for applying for the  
33 issuance or renewal of a license ~~to~~ *or provisional license.* The  
34 forms must:

35       1. Be available to be completed on the Internet website  
36 maintained by the Board;

37       2. Provide immediate, automatic feedback to the applicant  
38 concerning whether the applicant has submitted all required  
39 information; and

40       3. Automatically store the data submitted by the applicant upon  
41 completion of the application.

42       **Sec. 9.** NRS 641.145 is hereby amended to read as follows:

43       641.145 1. On or before February 1 of each year, the Board  
44 shall submit to the Joint Interim Standing Committee on Health and



1 Human Services and to the Chair of each regional behavioral health  
2 policy board created by NRS 433.429 a report which must include:

3 (a) The number of complaints received, investigations  
4 completed, cases dismissed, cases settled and cases for which  
5 hearings were held within the immediately preceding calendar year;

6 (b) The number of applications for the issuance or renewal of a  
7 license or ~~registration~~ *provisional license* received by the Board  
8 during the immediately preceding calendar year and the number of  
9 those applications for which the Board conducted additional review  
10 beyond the standard review regularly conducted by the Board; and

11 (c) The number of applications for the issuance of a license by  
12 endorsement received by the Board pursuant to NRS 641.196 during  
13 the immediately preceding calendar year, the number of those  
14 applications that were denied and the reasons for denial.

15 2. The report submitted pursuant to this section to the Chair of  
16 each regional behavioral health policy board created by NRS  
17 433.429 may be submitted in a written format.

18 **Sec. 10.** NRS 641.173 is hereby amended to read as follows:

19 641.173 If the Board requires an applicant for a license or  
20 ~~registration~~ *provisional license* pursuant to this chapter to submit  
21 official transcripts as proof of his or her educational qualifications,  
22 the Board must provide an alternate means for the applicant to  
23 submit official transcripts if:

24 1. The college or university from which the applicant  
25 graduated has closed or has merged with another institution; and

26 2. The provision of official transcripts by ordinary means is not  
27 available or possible.

28 **Sec. 11.** NRS 641.175 is hereby amended to read as follows:

29 641.175 1. In addition to any other requirements set forth in  
30 this chapter:

31 (a) An applicant for the issuance of a license or ~~registration~~  
32 *provisional license* shall include the social security number of the  
33 applicant in the application submitted to the Board.

34 (b) An applicant for the issuance or renewal of a license or  
35 ~~registration~~ *provisional license* shall submit to the Board the  
36 statement prescribed by the Division of Welfare and Supportive  
37 Services of the Department of Health and Human Services pursuant  
38 to NRS 425.520. The statement must be completed and signed by  
39 the applicant.

40 2. The Board shall include the statement required pursuant to  
41 subsection 1 in:

42 (a) The application or any other forms that must be submitted  
43 for the issuance or renewal of the license or ~~registration;~~  
44 *provisional license;* or

45 (b) A separate form prescribed by the Board.



1 3. A license or ~~registration~~ *provisional license* may not be  
2 issued or renewed by the Board if the applicant:

3 (a) Fails to submit the statement required pursuant to subsection  
4 1; or

5 (b) Indicates on the statement submitted pursuant to subsection  
6 1 that the applicant is subject to a court order for the support of a  
7 child and is not in compliance with the order or a plan approved by  
8 the district attorney or other public agency enforcing the order for  
9 the repayment of the amount owed pursuant to the order.

10 4. If an applicant indicates on the statement submitted pursuant  
11 to subsection 1 that the applicant is subject to a court order for the  
12 support of a child and is not in compliance with the order or a plan  
13 approved by the district attorney or other public agency enforcing  
14 the order for the repayment of the amount owed pursuant to the  
15 order, the Board shall advise the applicant to contact the district  
16 attorney or other public agency enforcing the order to determine the  
17 actions that the applicant may take to satisfy the arrearage.

18 **Sec. 12.** NRS 641.2215 is hereby amended to read as follows:  
19 641.2215 1. The Board shall:

20 (a) Make the data request developed by the Director of the  
21 Department of Health and Human Services pursuant to NRS  
22 439A.116 available to applicants for the renewal of a license or  
23 ~~registration~~ *provisional license* pursuant to this chapter through a  
24 link on the electronic application for the renewal of a license or  
25 ~~registration;~~ *provisional license*; and

26 (b) Request each applicant to complete and electronically submit  
27 the data request to the Director.

28 2. The information provided by an applicant for the renewal of  
29 a license or ~~registration~~ *provisional license* pursuant to subsection  
30 1 is confidential and, except as required by subsection 1, must not  
31 be disclosed to any person or entity.

32 3. An applicant for the renewal of a license or ~~registration~~  
33 *provisional license* is not required to complete a data request  
34 pursuant to subsection 1 and is not subject to disciplinary action,  
35 including, without limitation, refusal to renew the license or  
36 ~~registration;~~ *provisional license*, for failure to do so.

37 **Sec. 13.** NRS 641.226 is hereby amended to read as follows:

38 641.226 1. A person who wishes to obtain any postdoctoral  
39 supervised experience that is required for licensure as a psychologist  
40 pursuant to paragraph (d) of subsection 1 of NRS 641.170 must  
41 ~~register with~~ *submit an application to* the Board *for a provisional*  
42 *license* as a psychological assistant.

43 2. A person who:

44 (a) Is in a doctoral training program in psychology at an  
45 accredited educational institution approved by the Board or in



1 doctorate-level training from an accredited educational institution  
2 deemed equivalent by the Board in both subject matter and extent of  
3 training; ~~and~~

4 (b) *Has completed the courses required for his or her doctoral*  
5 *training program or doctorate-level training; and*

6 (c) Wishes to engage in a predoctoral internship pursuant to the  
7 requirements of the training program,

8 ↪ may ~~register with~~ *submit an application to* the Board *for a*  
9 *provisional license* as a psychological intern.

10 3. A person who:

11 (a) Is in a doctoral training program in psychology at an  
12 accredited educational institution approved by the Board or in  
13 doctorate-level training from an accredited educational institution  
14 deemed equivalent by the Board in both subject matter and extent of  
15 training; ~~and~~

16 (b) *Has completed the courses required for his or her doctoral*  
17 *training program or doctorate-level training; and*

18 (c) Wishes to perform professional activities or services under  
19 the supervision of a psychologist,

20 ↪ may ~~register with~~ *submit an application to* the Board *for a*  
21 *provisional license* as a psychological trainee.

22 4. A person desiring to ~~register~~ *obtain a provisional license*  
23 as a psychological assistant, psychological intern or psychological  
24 trainee must:

25 (a) Make application to the Board on a form, and in a manner,  
26 prescribed by the Board. The application must be accompanied by  
27 the application fee prescribed by the Board and include all  
28 information required to complete the application.

29 (b) As part of the application and at his or her own expense:

30 (1) Arrange to have a complete set of fingerprints taken by a  
31 law enforcement agency or other authorized entity acceptable to the  
32 Board; and

33 (2) Submit to the Board:

34 (I) A complete set of fingerprints, a fee for the processing  
35 of fingerprints established by the Board and written permission  
36 authorizing the Board to forward the fingerprints to the Central  
37 Repository for Nevada Records of Criminal History for submission  
38 to the Federal Bureau of Investigation for a report on the applicant's  
39 background, and to such other law enforcement agencies as the  
40 Board deems necessary for a report on the applicant's background;  
41 or

42 (II) Written verification, on a form prescribed by the  
43 Board, stating that the set of fingerprints of the applicant was taken  
44 and directly forwarded electronically or by other means to the  
45 Central Repository for Nevada Records of Criminal History and that





1 the applicant provided written permission authorizing the law  
2 enforcement agency or other authorized entity taking the  
3 fingerprints to submit the fingerprints to the Central Repository for  
4 Nevada Records of Criminal History for submission to the Federal  
5 Bureau of Investigation for a report on the applicant's background,  
6 and to such other law enforcement agencies as the Board deems  
7 necessary for a report on the applicant's background.

8 5. The Board may:

9 (a) Unless the applicant's fingerprints are directly forwarded  
10 pursuant to sub-subparagraph (II) of subparagraph (2) of paragraph  
11 (b) of subsection 4, submit those fingerprints to the Central  
12 Repository for Nevada Records of Criminal History for submission  
13 to the Federal Bureau of Investigation and to such other law  
14 enforcement agencies as the Board deems necessary; and

15 (b) Request from each agency to which the Board submits the  
16 fingerprints any information regarding the applicant's background  
17 as the Board deems necessary.

18 6. An application for *an* initial ~~[registration]~~ *provisional*  
19 *license* as a psychological assistant, psychological intern or  
20 psychological trainee is not considered complete and received until  
21 the Board receives:

22 (a) A complete set of fingerprints or verification that the  
23 fingerprints have been forwarded electronically or by other means to  
24 the Central Repository for Nevada Records of Criminal History, and  
25 written authorization from the applicant pursuant to this section; and

26 (b) The fee for the initial ~~[registration-of]~~ *issuance of a*  
27 *provisional license as* a psychological assistant, psychological  
28 intern or psychological trainee that is prescribed by the Board  
29 pursuant to NRS 641.228.

30 7. *A person who is issued a provisional license as a*  
31 *psychological assistant, psychological intern or psychological*  
32 *trainee may take the national examination and any other*  
33 *examination required pursuant to the provisions of subsection 1 of*  
34 *NRS 641.180.*

35 8. A ~~[registration]~~ *provisional license* as a:

36 (a) Psychological assistant expires 1 year after the date of  
37 ~~[registration]~~ *licensure* unless the ~~[registration]~~ *provisional license*  
38 is renewed pursuant to subsection ~~[8.]~~ 9. A ~~[registration]~~ *provisional*  
39 *license* as a psychological assistant may not be renewed if the  
40 renewal would cause the psychological assistant to be ~~[registered]~~  
41 *provisionally licensed* as a psychological assistant for more than 3  
42 years unless otherwise approved by the Board.

43 (b) Psychological intern expires ~~[2-years]~~ *1 year* after the date of  
44 ~~[registration and may not be]~~ *licensure unless the provisional*





1 *license is* renewed ~~unless otherwise approved by the Board.~~  
2 *pursuant to subsection 9.*

3 (c) Psychological trainee expires ~~[2 years]~~ *1 year* after the date  
4 of ~~[registration]~~ *licensure* unless the ~~[registration]~~ *provisional*  
5 *license* is renewed pursuant to subsection ~~[8.]~~ *9*. A ~~[registration]~~  
6 *provisional license* as a psychological trainee may not be renewed if  
7 the renewal would cause the psychological trainee to be ~~[registered]~~  
8 *provisionally licensed* as a psychological trainee for more than 5  
9 years unless otherwise approved by the Board.

10 ~~[8.]~~ *9.* To renew a ~~[registration]~~ *provisional license* as a  
11 psychological assistant, psychological intern or psychological  
12 trainee, the ~~[registrant]~~ *provisional licensee* must, on or before the  
13 expiration of the ~~[registration:]~~ *provisional license:*

- 14 (a) Apply to the Board for renewal;
- 15 (b) Pay the fee prescribed by the Board pursuant to NRS  
16 641.228 for the renewal of a ~~[registration]~~ *provisional license* as a  
17 psychological assistant, psychological intern or psychological  
18 trainee; and
- 19 (c) Submit all information required to complete the renewal.

20 ~~[9.]~~ *10.* Any activity or service performed by a psychological  
21 assistant, psychological intern or psychological trainee must be  
22 performed under the supervision of a psychologist in accordance  
23 with regulations adopted by the Board.

24 **Sec. 14.** NRS 641.228 is hereby amended to read as follows:  
25 641.228 1. The Board shall charge and collect not more than  
26 the following fees respectively:

27	
28	For the national examination, in addition to the
29	actual cost to the Board of the examination ..... \$100
30	For any other examination required pursuant to
31	the provisions of subsection 1 of NRS
32	641.180, in addition to the actual costs to the
33	Board of the examination ..... 100
34	For the issuance of an initial license..... 25
35	For the issuance of an initial license by
36	endorsement ..... 125
37	For the biennial renewal of a license of a
38	psychologist..... 850
39	For the restoration of a license suspended for the
40	nonpayment of the biennial fee for the
41	renewal of a license ..... 200



1 For the restoration of a license suspended for the  
2 nonsubmission of evidence to the Board of  
3 completion of the requirements for  
4 continuing education as required for the  
5 renewal of the license..... \$200  
6 For the registration of a firm, partnership or  
7 corporation which engages in or offers to  
8 engage in the practice of psychology ..... 300  
9 For the registration of a nonresident to practice  
10 as a consultant ..... 100  
11 For the initial ~~registration of~~ *issuance of a*  
12 *provisional license as* a psychological  
13 assistant ~~[, — psychological intern or~~  
14 ~~psychological trainee]~~ ..... 250  
15 For the renewal of a ~~registration of~~ *provisional*  
16 *license as* a psychological assistant ~~;~~  
17 ~~psychological intern or psychological trainee]~~ ..... 150  
18 *For the initial issuance of a provisional license*  
19 *as a psychological intern or psychological*  
20 *trainee* ..... 25  
21 *For the renewal of a provisional license as a*  
22 *psychological intern or psychological*  
23 *trainee* ..... 25  
24

25 2. An applicant who passes the national examination and any  
26 other examination required pursuant to the provisions of subsection  
27 1 of NRS 641.180 and who is eligible for a license as a psychologist  
28 shall pay the biennial fee for the renewal of a license, which must be  
29 prorated for the period from the date the license is issued to the end  
30 of the biennium.

31 3. In addition to the fees set forth in subsection 1, the Board  
32 may charge and collect a fee for the expedited processing of a  
33 request or for any other incidental service it provides. The fee must  
34 not exceed the cost to provide the service.

35 4. Except as otherwise provided in subsection 5, if an applicant  
36 submits an application for a license by endorsement pursuant to  
37 NRS 641.196, the Board shall charge and collect:

38 (a) Not more than the fee specified in subsection 1 for the  
39 issuance of an initial license by endorsement; and

40 (b) The biennial fee for the renewal of a license, which must be  
41 prorated for the period from the date the license is issued to the end  
42 of the biennium.

43 5. If an active member of, or the spouse of an active member  
44 of, the Armed Forces of the United States, a veteran or the surviving  
45 spouse of a veteran submits an application for a license by



1 endorsement pursuant to NRS 641.196, the Board shall collect not  
2 more than one-half of the fee set forth in subsection 1 for the initial  
3 issuance of the license by endorsement.

4 6. If an applicant submits an application for *an* initial  
5 ~~registration~~ *provisional license* as a psychological assistant,  
6 psychological intern or psychological trainee pursuant to NRS  
7 641.226 and the applicant has previously been ~~registered~~  
8 *provisionally licensed* as a psychological assistant, psychological  
9 intern or psychological trainee, the Board must waive the fee set  
10 forth in subsection 1 for the initial ~~registration.~~ *provisional*  
11 *license*.

12 7. As used in this section, “veteran” has the meaning ascribed  
13 to it in NRS 417.005.

14 **Sec. 15.** NRS 641.230 is hereby amended to read as follows:

15 641.230 1. The Board may suspend or revoke a person’s  
16 license as a psychologist or ~~registration~~ *provisional license* as a  
17 psychological assistant, psychological intern or psychological  
18 trainee, place the person on probation, require remediation for the  
19 person or take any other action specified by regulation if the Board  
20 finds by a preponderance of the evidence that the person has:

21 (a) Been convicted of a felony relating to the practice of  
22 psychology or to practicing as a psychological assistant,  
23 psychological intern or psychological trainee.

24 (b) Been convicted of any crime or offense that reflects the  
25 inability of the person to practice psychology or to practice as a  
26 psychological assistant, psychological intern or psychological  
27 trainee with due regard for the health and safety of others.

28 (c) Been convicted of violating any of the provisions of NRS  
29 616D.200, 616D.220, 616D.240 or 616D.300 to 616D.440,  
30 inclusive.

31 (d) Engaged in gross malpractice or repeated malpractice or  
32 gross negligence in the practice of psychology or the practice as a  
33 psychological assistant, psychological intern or psychological  
34 trainee.

35 (e) Aided or abetted the practice of psychology or the practice as  
36 a psychological assistant, psychological intern or psychological  
37 trainee by a person not licensed or ~~registered~~ *provisionally*  
38 *licensed* by the Board.

39 (f) Made any fraudulent or untrue statement to the Board.

40 (g) Violated a regulation adopted by the Board.

41 (h) Had a license to practice psychology or ~~registration~~ *a*  
42 *provisional license* to practice as a psychological assistant,  
43 psychological intern or psychological trainee suspended or revoked  
44 or has had any other disciplinary action taken against the person by  
45 another state or territory of the United States, the District of



1 Columbia or a foreign country, if at least one of the grounds for  
2 discipline is the same or substantially equivalent to any ground  
3 contained in this chapter.

4 (i) Failed to report to the Board within 30 days the revocation,  
5 suspension or surrender of, or any other disciplinary action taken  
6 against, a license or certificate to practice psychology or  
7 ~~registration~~ *a provisional license* to practice as a psychological  
8 assistant, psychological intern or psychological trainee issued to the  
9 person by another state or territory of the United States, the District  
10 of Columbia or a foreign country.

11 (j) Violated or attempted to violate, directly or indirectly, or  
12 assisted in or abetted the violation of or conspired to violate a  
13 provision of this chapter.

14 (k) Performed or attempted to perform any professional service  
15 while impaired by alcohol, drugs or by a mental or physical illness,  
16 disorder or disease.

17 (l) Engaged in sexual activity with a patient or client.

18 (m) Been convicted of abuse or fraud in connection with any  
19 state or federal program which provides medical assistance.

20 (n) Been convicted of submitting a false claim for payment to  
21 the insurer of a patient or client.

22 (o) Operated a medical facility, as defined in NRS 449.0151, at  
23 any time during which:

24 (1) The license of the facility was suspended or revoked; or

25 (2) An act or omission occurred which resulted in the  
26 suspension or revocation of the license pursuant to NRS 449.160.

27 ➤ This paragraph applies to an owner or other principal responsible  
28 for the operation of the facility.

29 2. As used in this section, “preponderance of the evidence” has  
30 the meaning ascribed to it in NRS 233B.0375.

31 **Sec. 16.** NRS 641.240 is hereby amended to read as follows:

32 641.240 1. If the Board, a panel of its members or a hearing  
33 officer appointed by the Board finds a person guilty in a disciplinary  
34 proceeding, it may:

35 (a) Administer a public reprimand.

36 (b) Limit the person’s practice.

37 (c) Suspend the person’s license or ~~registration~~ *provisional*  
38 *license* for a period of not more than 1 year.

39 (d) Revoke the person’s license or ~~registration~~ *provisional*  
40 *license*.

41 (e) Impose a fine of not more than \$5,000.

42 (f) Revoke or suspend the person’s license or ~~registration~~  
43 *provisional license* and impose a monetary penalty.



1 (g) Suspend the enforcement of any penalty by placing the  
2 person on probation. The Board may revoke the probation if the  
3 person does not follow any conditions imposed.

4 (h) Require the person to submit to the supervision of or  
5 counseling or treatment by a person designated by the Board. The  
6 person named in the complaint is responsible for any expense  
7 incurred.

8 (i) Impose and modify any conditions of probation for the  
9 protection of the public or the rehabilitation of the probationer.

10 (j) Require the person to pay for the costs of remediation or  
11 restitution.

12 2. The Board shall not administer a private reprimand.

13 3. An order that imposes discipline and the findings of fact and  
14 conclusions of law supporting that order are public records.

15 **Sec. 17.** NRS 641.242 is hereby amended to read as follows:

16 641.242 1. If the Board receives a copy of a court order  
17 issued pursuant to NRS 425.540 that provides for the suspension of  
18 all professional, occupational and recreational licenses, certificates  
19 and permits issued to a person who is the holder of a license or  
20 ~~registration~~ *provisional license* issued pursuant to this chapter, the  
21 Board shall deem the license or ~~registration~~ *provisional license*  
22 issued to that person to be suspended at the end of the 30th day after  
23 the date on which the court order was issued unless the Board  
24 receives a letter issued to the holder of the license or ~~registration~~  
25 *provisional license* by the district attorney or other public agency  
26 pursuant to NRS 425.550 stating that the holder of the license or  
27 ~~registration~~ *provisional license* has complied with the subpoena or  
28 warrant or has satisfied the arrearage pursuant to NRS 425.560.

29 2. The Board shall reinstate a license or ~~registration~~  
30 *provisional license* issued pursuant to this chapter that has been  
31 suspended by a district court pursuant to NRS 425.540 if the Board  
32 receives a letter issued by the district attorney or other public agency  
33 pursuant to NRS 425.550 to the person whose license or  
34 ~~registration~~ *provisional license* was suspended stating that the  
35 person whose license or ~~registration~~ *provisional license* was  
36 suspended has complied with the subpoena or warrant or has  
37 satisfied the arrearage pursuant to NRS 425.560.

38 **Sec. 18.** NRS 641.2705 is hereby amended to read as follows:

39 641.2705 1. The Board, through the President of the Board  
40 and the investigator designated by the Board, shall conduct an  
41 investigation of each complaint filed pursuant to NRS 641.250  
42 which sets forth reason to believe that a person has violated  
43 NRS 641.390.

44 2. If, after an investigation, the Board determines that a person  
45 has violated NRS 641.390, the Board:



1 (a) May issue and serve on the person an order to cease and  
2 desist from engaging in any activity prohibited by NRS 641.390  
3 until the person obtains the proper license or ~~registration~~  
4 *provisional license* from the Board;

5 (b) May issue a citation to the person; and

6 (c) Unless the Board determines that extenuating circumstances  
7 exist, shall forward to the appropriate law enforcement agency any  
8 substantiated information that has been submitted to the Board  
9 regarding a person who practices or offers to practice:

10 (1) Psychology in this State without the proper license issued  
11 by the Board pursuant to this chapter; or

12 (2) As a psychological assistant, psychological intern or  
13 psychological trainee in this State without the proper ~~registration~~  
14 *provisional license* issued by the Board pursuant to this chapter.

15 3. A citation issued pursuant to subsection 2 must be in writing  
16 and describe with particularity the nature of the violation. The  
17 citation also must inform the person of the provisions of subsection  
18 5. Each violation of NRS 641.390 constitutes a separate offense for  
19 which a separate citation may be issued.

20 4. For any person who violates the provisions of NRS 641.390,  
21 the Board shall assess an administrative fine of:

22 (a) For a first violation, \$500.

23 (b) For a second violation, \$1,000.

24 (c) For a third or subsequent violation, \$1,500.

25 5. To appeal a citation issued pursuant to subsection 2, a  
26 person must submit a written request for a hearing to the Board  
27 within 30 days after the date of issuance of the citation.

28 **Sec. 19.** NRS 641.272 is hereby amended to read as follows:

29 641.272 1. Notwithstanding the provisions of chapter 622A  
30 of NRS, the Board may require the person named in a complaint to  
31 submit to a mental examination conducted by a panel of three  
32 psychologists designated by the Board or a physical examination  
33 conducted by a physician designated by the Board.

34 2. Every psychologist licensed under this chapter and every  
35 psychological assistant, psychological intern or psychological  
36 trainee ~~registered~~ *provisionally licensed* under this chapter who  
37 accepts the privilege of practicing psychology or practicing as a  
38 psychological assistant, psychological intern or psychological  
39 trainee in this State shall be deemed to have given consent to submit  
40 to a mental or physical examination when directed to do so in  
41 writing by the Board. The testimony or reports of the examining  
42 psychologists or physician are privileged communications, except as  
43 to proceedings conducted pursuant to this chapter.

44 3. Except in extraordinary circumstances, as determined by the  
45 Board, the failure of a psychologist, psychological assistant,



1 psychological intern or psychological trainee to submit to an  
2 examination as provided in this section constitutes grounds for the  
3 immediate suspension of the psychologist's license or the  
4 psychological assistant's, psychological intern's or psychological  
5 trainee's ~~registration~~ *provisional license*.

6 **Sec. 20.** NRS 641.274 is hereby amended to read as follows:

7 641.274 Notwithstanding the provisions of chapter 622A of  
8 NRS, if the Board, a panel of its members or a hearing officer issues  
9 an order suspending the license of a psychologist or the  
10 ~~registration~~ *provisional license* of a psychological assistant,  
11 psychological intern or psychological trainee pending proceedings  
12 for disciplinary action and requires the psychologist, psychological  
13 assistant, psychological intern or psychological trainee to submit to  
14 a mental or physical examination or an examination of his or her  
15 competency to practice psychology or to practice as a psychological  
16 assistant, psychological intern or psychological trainee, the  
17 examination must be conducted and the results obtained within 60  
18 days after the Board, panel of its members or hearing officer issues  
19 the order.

20 **Sec. 21.** NRS 641.285 is hereby amended to read as follows:

21 641.285 Notwithstanding the provisions of chapter 622A of  
22 NRS, in any disciplinary proceeding before the Board, a panel of its  
23 members or a hearing officer:

24 1. Proof of actual injury need not be established where the  
25 complaint charges deceptive or unethical professional conduct,  
26 practice of psychology, or practice as a psychological assistant,  
27 psychological intern or psychological trainee harmful to the public.

28 2. A certified copy of the record of a court or a licensing  
29 agency showing a conviction or the suspension or revocation of a  
30 license to practice psychology or ~~registration~~ *provisional license*  
31 to practice as a psychological assistant, psychological intern or  
32 psychological trainee or an order containing any other disciplinary  
33 action entered by a court in the District of Columbia or any state or  
34 territory of the United States is conclusive evidence of its  
35 occurrence.

36 3. The entering of a plea of nolo contendere in a court of  
37 competent jurisdiction shall be deemed a conviction of the offense  
38 charged.

39 **Sec. 22.** NRS 641.312 is hereby amended to read as follows:

40 641.312 1. Any person who has been placed on probation or  
41 whose license or ~~registration~~ *provisional license* has been limited,  
42 suspended or revoked is entitled to judicial review of the order.

43 2. Every order which limits the practice of psychology or the  
44 practice as a psychological assistant, psychological intern or  
45 psychological trainee or suspends or revokes a license or





1 ~~[registration]~~ *provisional license* is effective from the date the  
2 Board certifies the order until the date the order is modified or  
3 reversed by a final judgment of the court.

4 3. The district court shall give a petition for judicial review of  
5 the order priority over other civil matters which are not expressly  
6 given priority by law.

7 **Sec. 23.** NRS 641.314 is hereby amended to read as follows:

8 641.314 Notwithstanding the provisions of chapter 622A of  
9 NRS:

10 1. Pending disciplinary proceedings before the Board, a panel  
11 of its members or a hearing officer, the court may, upon application  
12 by the Board or the Attorney General, issue a temporary restraining  
13 order or a preliminary injunction to enjoin any unprofessional  
14 conduct of a psychologist, psychological assistant, psychological  
15 intern or psychological trainee which is harmful to the public, to  
16 limit the psychologist's, psychological assistant's, psychological  
17 intern's or psychological trainee's practice or to suspend the license  
18 to practice psychology or ~~[registration]~~ *provisional license*  
19 to practice as a psychological assistant, psychological intern or  
20 psychological trainee, without proof of actual damage sustained by  
21 any person, this provision being a preventive as well as a punitive  
22 measure.

23 2. The disciplinary proceedings before the Board, a panel of its  
24 members or a hearing officer must be instituted and determined as  
25 promptly as the requirements for investigation of the case  
26 reasonably allow.

27 **Sec. 24.** NRS 641.316 is hereby amended to read as follows:

28 641.316 1. The Board through its President or Secretary-  
29 Treasurer or the Attorney General may maintain in any court of  
30 competent jurisdiction a suit for an injunction against any person  
31 practicing:

32 (a) Psychology without a license or authorization to practice  
33 psychology in this State pursuant to the Psychology  
34 Interjurisdictional Compact enacted in NRS 641.227; or

35 (b) As a psychological assistant, psychological intern or  
36 psychological trainee without a ~~[registration.]~~ *provisional license*.

37 2. Such an injunction:

38 (a) May be issued without proof of actual damage sustained by  
39 any person, this provision being a preventive as well as a punitive  
40 measure.

41 (b) Does not relieve any person from criminal prosecution for  
42 practicing without a license or ~~[registration.]~~ *provisional license*.

43 **Sec. 25.** NRS 641.318 is hereby amended to read as follows:

44 641.318 In addition to any other immunity provided by the  
45 provisions of chapter 622A of NRS, the Board, a review panel of a



1 hospital, an association of psychologists or any other person who or  
2 organization which initiates a complaint or assists in any lawful  
3 investigation or proceeding concerning the licensing of a  
4 psychologist or the ~~registering~~ *provisional licensing* of a  
5 psychological assistant, psychological intern or psychological  
6 trainee or the discipline of a psychologist, psychological assistant,  
7 psychological intern or psychological trainee for gross malpractice,  
8 repeated malpractice, professional incompetence or unprofessional  
9 conduct is immune from any civil action for that initiation or  
10 assistance or any consequential damages, if the person or  
11 organization acted without malicious intent.

12 **Sec. 26.** NRS 641.320 is hereby amended to read as follows:

13 641.320 1. Any person:

14 (a) Whose practice of psychology or practice as a psychological  
15 assistant, psychological intern or psychological trainee has been  
16 limited;

17 (b) Whose license or ~~registration~~ *provisional license* has been  
18 revoked; or

19 (c) Who has been placed on probation,

20 ↪ by an order of the Board, a panel of its members or a hearing  
21 officer may apply to the Board after 1 year for removal of the  
22 limitation or termination of the probation or may apply to the Board  
23 pursuant to the provisions of chapter 622A of NRS for reinstatement  
24 of the revoked license or ~~registration~~ *provisional license*.

25 2. In hearing the application, the Board:

26 (a) May require the person to submit to a mental or physical  
27 examination conducted by psychologists or by physicians whom it  
28 designates and submit such other evidence of changed conditions  
29 and of fitness as it considers proper.

30 (b) Shall determine whether under all the circumstances the time  
31 of the application is reasonable.

32 (c) May deny the application or modify or rescind its order as it  
33 considers the evidence and the public safety warrants.

34 **Sec. 27.** NRS 641.440 is hereby amended to read as follows:

35 641.440 Any person who:

36 1. Presents as his or her own the diploma, license, ~~registration~~  
37 *provisional license* or credentials of another;

38 2. Gives either false or forged evidence of any kind to the  
39 Board or any member thereof, in connection with an application for  
40 a license or ~~registration~~ *provisional license*;

41 3. Practices psychology or practices as a psychological  
42 assistant, psychological intern or psychological trainee under a false  
43 or assumed name or falsely personates another psychologist,  
44 psychological assistant, psychological intern or psychological  
45 trainee of a like or different name;



1 4. Except as provided in NRS 641.0295, 641.390 and  
2 641A.410, represents himself or herself as a psychologist, or uses  
3 any title or description which incorporates the word “psychology,”  
4 “psychological,” “psychologist,” “psychometry,” “psychometrics,”  
5 “psychometrist” or any other term indicating or implying that he or  
6 she is a psychologist, unless he or she has been issued a license;

7 5. Except as otherwise provided in NRS 641.390, represents  
8 himself or herself as a psychological assistant, psychological intern  
9 or psychological trainee, or uses any title or description which  
10 incorporates the words “psychological assistant,” “psychological  
11 intern” or “psychological trainee” or any other term indicating or  
12 implying that he or she is a psychological assistant, psychological  
13 intern or psychological trainee, unless he or she has been issued a  
14 ~~registration;~~ *provisional license*;

15 6. Practices psychology unless he or she has been issued a  
16 license; or

17 7. Practices as a psychological assistant, psychological intern  
18 or psychological trainee unless he or she has been issued a  
19 ~~registration;~~ *provisional license*,

20 ↪ is guilty of a gross misdemeanor.

21 **Sec. 28.** NRS 458A.057 is hereby amended to read as follows:

22 458A.057 1. “Qualified mental health professional” means  
23 any of the following persons:

24 (a) A person who is certified as a problem gambling counselor  
25 pursuant to the provisions of chapter 641C of NRS.

26 (b) A person who is certified as a problem gambling counselor  
27 intern pursuant to the provisions of chapter 641C of NRS.

28 (c) A physician who is licensed pursuant to the provisions of  
29 chapter 630 or 633 of NRS.

30 (d) A nurse who is licensed pursuant to the provisions of chapter  
31 632 of NRS and is authorized by the State Board of Nursing to  
32 engage in the practice of counseling problem gamblers.

33 (e) A psychologist who is licensed pursuant to the provisions of  
34 chapter 641 of NRS or authorized to practice psychology in this  
35 State pursuant to the Psychology Interjurisdictional Compact  
36 enacted in NRS 641.227, or a psychological assistant who is  
37 ~~registered;~~ *provisionally licensed* with the Board of Psychological  
38 Examiners pursuant to the provisions of chapter 641 of NRS and the  
39 regulations adopted pursuant thereto.

40 (f) A clinical professional counselor or clinical professional  
41 counselor intern who is licensed pursuant to chapter 641A of NRS.

42 (g) A marriage and family therapist or marriage and family  
43 therapist intern who is licensed pursuant to the provisions of chapter  
44 641A of NRS and is authorized by the Board of Examiners for  
45 Marriage and Family Therapists and Clinical Professional



1 Counselors to engage in the practice of counseling persons with an  
2 addictive disorder related to gambling.

3 (h) A person who is licensed as a clinical social worker pursuant  
4 to the provisions of chapter 641B of NRS and is authorized by the  
5 Board of Examiners for Social Workers to engage in the practice of  
6 counseling persons with an addictive disorder related to gambling.

7 2. As used in this section, “practice of counseling persons with  
8 an addictive disorder related to gambling” has the meaning ascribed  
9 to it in NRS 641C.105.

10 **Sec. 29.** 1. This section becomes effective upon passage and  
11 approval.

12 2. Sections 1 to 28, inclusive, of this act become effective:

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

16 (b) On January 1, 2026, for all other purposes.



