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The exiting law requires the Aging and Disability Services Division to adopt regulations to establish qualification requirements and register signed language interpreters and Communication Access Realtime Translation (CART) providers meeting the requirements under NRS 656A. https://www.leg.state.nv.us/NRS/NRS-656A.html

The proposed regulation changes provide provisions for the following:

1) Definitions:

- a. Changes the definition of "mentor."
- b. Changes the definition of "community setting."
- c. Changes the definition of "primary and secondary setting."
- d. Changes the definition of "practice of sign language interpreting."
- e. Adds the definition of "postsecondary setting."
- f. Adds the definition of "professional development."
- g. Adds the definition of a "nationally recognized sign language interpreter or transliterator certification"

2) Removes:

- a. Registration requirement for Cued Speech Transliterators.
- b. Some definitions for clarity.

3) Changes:

- a. The current seven classifications by reducing them to four classifications and adds a student classification per SB179
 - i. Community Professional
 - ii. Community Provisional
 - iii. Educational Professional
 - iv. Educational Provisional
 - v. Student
- b. The renewal cycle to annual renewal for all classifications.
- c. Professional Development and Mentoring hour requirement for non-certified interpreters due to converting to an annual renewal cycle.
- d. The minimum qualification requirements for Educational classifications per SB179.
- e. Specific language requiring certification types to "generally recognized national organizations."
- f. The substitute limitations for educational interpreters.
- g. Some language for clarity.

4) Adds:

- a. Additional acceptable qualifications for Community classifications.
- b. Time limit for Provisional classifications per SB179.
- c. Code(s) of ethics for Community and Educational classifications.
- d. Qualifications for professional mentors.

Members of the public may make comments at this meeting. Persons wishing to submit written testimony or documentary evidence may submit the material to Jenn Montoya, Social Service Program Specialist II at the following address:

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