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# **NEVADA BOARD OF PAROLE COMMISSIONERS**

# Notice of Workshop to Solicit Comments on an Amended Regulation

The Board of Parole Commissioners, 1677 Old Hot Springs Rd., Suite A, Carson City, NV 89706, (775) 687-5049, is proposing the Amendment of a regulation pertaining to chapter 213 of Nevada Administrative Code. A workshop has been set for **8:00 AM on Monday, March 5, 2012** at the office of the Board of Parole Commissioners, 1677 Old Hot Springs Rd., Suite A, Carson City, NV 89706, video teleconference to the Board of Parole Commissioners office located at 4000 S. Eastern Avenue, Suite 130, Las Vegas, NV 89119. The purpose of the workshop is to solicit comments from interested persons on the following general topics that may be addressed in the proposed regulations:

In 2011, Section 213.1214 of Chapter 213 of NRS (evaluation of sex offenders by the psychological review panel) was amended by the Nevada Legislature. The proposed amendment changes the reference to the definition of a sexual offense to align with the changes made in NRS 213.1214.

A copy of all material relating to the proposal may be obtained at the workshop or by contacting the Board of Parole Commissioners, 1677 Old Hot Springs Rd., Suite A, Carson City, NV 89706, (775) 687-5049. A reasonable fee for copying may be charged. A copy of the regulation is also posted on the web site of the Board of Parole Commissioners located at http://parole.nv.gov. A copy of the proposed regulation is also attached to this Notice of Workshop.

This Notice of Workshop to Solicit Comments on Proposed Regulation has been sent to all persons on the agency's mailing list for administrative regulations and posted at the following locations:

<u>CARSON CITY</u>: Parole Board office, 1677 Old Hot Springs Road, Suite A, 89706; Attorney General's office, 100 S. Carson Street, 89701; Carson City Library, 900 N. Roop Street, 89702; <u>LAS VEGAS</u>: Parole Board office, S. 4000 Eastern Ave., Ste. 130, 89119; Attorney General's office, 555 E. Washington Avenue, 89101; County Court House, 200 S. Third Street, 89101; Clark County Main Library/Reference section, 833 Las Vegas Blvd., 89101.

## PROPOSED REGULATION OF THE

# STATE BOARD OF PAROLE COMMISSIONERS

### LCB File No. R146-11

January 23, 2012

EXPLANATION - Matter in *italics* is new; matter in brackets omitted material is material to be omitted.

AUTHORITY: §1, NRS 213.10885.

A REGULATION relating to parole; amending provisions governing the determination of the risk that a prisoner will commit a felony if released on parole; and providing other matters properly relating thereto.

**Section 1.** NAC 213.514 is hereby amended to read as follows:

- 213.514 1. The Board will assign to each prisoner who is being considered for parole a risk level of "high," "moderate" or "low" according to the level of risk that the prisoner will commit a felony if released on parole.
- 2. To establish the risk level, the Board will conduct an objective risk assessment using a combination of risk factors that predict recidivism.
- 3. If a prisoner has ever been convicted of a sexual offense and has been evaluated using a currently accepted standard of assessment to determine the risk that the prisoner will commit another sexual offense if released on parole, the Board will assign a risk level to the prisoner which is the higher of the risk level assigned pursuant to this section and the risk level determined by such an evaluation.

- 4. The Board will apply the risk level assigned to a prisoner who is being considered for parole to establish an initial assessment regarding whether to grant parole in the manner set forth in NAC 213.516.
- 5. As used in this section, "sexual offense" [means an offense listed in subsection 3 of NRS 176.133 or an offense committed in another jurisdiction that, if committed in this State, would be an offense listed in subsection 3 of NRS 176.133.] has the meaning ascribed to it in NRS 213.1214.