

## **Premises for changes to NRS 625A affecting mandatory registration:**

1. No one will work within the State of Nevada as an environmentalist/sanitarian without a valid registration from the Board, except that

*I believe we agree on this point.*

2. Entry level environmentalists/sanitaricians will be provided a time period of up to three (?) years in which to obtain registration

*I think we agree on this issue, but do not recall if we set a time limit (2 years, 3 years?)*

3. A reasonable time period (2 years ?) will be granted for all environmentalists/sanitaricians currently-employed in the State (at the date of enactment) to obtain valid registration by the Board.

*As I understand it, this pertains to those people who are currently eligible to take the NEHA exam.*

4. Allowance will be made for current practitioners in the environmentalist/sanitarian field who do not meet the qualifications for Registration to sit for the required exam within the timeframe established in #3.

*I believe our discussion indicated that we could treat these people in one of the following ways:*

1. *Require them to take the exam, and waive the requirements- generally rejected as a viable option.*
2. *Grandfather them in as Environmental Health Specialists.*
3. *Grandfather them in without the REHS title.*
4. *Grandfather them in with some "Non-registered" designation to their title.*

5. Miscellaneous: Residency requirement?; reciprocity (may grant?)

*I cannot remember if we discussed these issues. They are not nearly as vital to the bill as the previous items.*

Note: We need to establish a definition for an environmentalist/sanitarian in order to determine our jurisdiction. We may also want to define “entry level”.

*I believe we were going to research the NEHA discipline listing (15?) to incorporate into this definition.*