

## **State of Nevada Board of Psychological Examiners’ Statement in response to 2023 AB244**

AB244, which was enacted during Nevada’s 2023 Legislative session, establishes certain rights of a person compelled to submit to a mental or physical examination under certain circumstances. As enacted, AB244 violates ethics codes for licensed Psychologists and creates risks to public safety by creating conditions under which Psychologists are to:

- undertake psychological examinations such that it places them in a position of violating the assessment procedures stated in NAC 641.234, as well as laws governing the release of proprietary material and ethical codes that protect standardized test content; and
- administer standardized measures such that they are likely to invalidate those standardized measures.

The conditions that AB244 create for Psychologists may also have unknown effects on the validity of other measures administered and further risk public safety because the interpretability of test data collected under those conditions would be compromised, and the long-term effects of the release of protected material would be harmful to the practice of Psychology.