

1 INTERIM STUDY PROPOSAL 2015-164

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## A Bill

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HOUSE BILL

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6 By: Representative Hammer

7 Filed with: House Committee on Public Health, Welfare, and Labor  
8 pursuant to A.C.A. §10-3-217.

### For An Act To Be Entitled

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10 AN ACT TO AMEND THE PRESCRIPTIVE AUTHORITY OF AN  
11 ADVANCED PRACTICE NURSE; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

### Subtitle

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14 TO AMEND THE PRESCRIPTIVE AUTHORITY OF AN  
15 ADVANCED PRACTICE NURSE.  
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19 BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ARKANSAS:

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21 SECTION 1. Arkansas Code § 17-87-310(b), concerning the prescriptive  
22 authority of an advanced practice registered nurse, is amended to read as  
23 follows:

24 (b)(1) An advanced practice registered nurse with a certificate of  
25 prescriptive authority may receive and prescribe drugs, medicines, or  
26 therapeutic devices appropriate to the advanced practice registered nurse's  
27 area of practice in accordance with rules established by the Arkansas State  
28 Board of Nursing.

29 (2) An advanced practice registered nurse's prescriptive  
30 authority shall extend only to drugs listed in ~~Schedules III - V and, if~~  
31 ~~expressly authorized by the collaborative practice agreement, also to those~~  
32 ~~hydrocodone combination products reclassified from Schedule III to Schedule~~  
33 ~~II as of October 6, 2014~~ Schedules II - V.

34 (3)(A) The Arkansas State Board of Nursing shall promptly adopt  
35 rules applicable to an advance practice registered nurse that are consistent

1 with the Arkansas State Medical Board's rules governing the prescription of  
2 dangerous drugs and controlled substances.

3 (B) Prior to approval of the Arkansas State Board of  
4 Nursing's rules, the Arkansas State Medical Board shall review the proposed  
5 rules and verify that the proposed rules are consistent with the Arkansas  
6 State Medical Board's rules concerning the prescription of dangerous drugs  
7 and controlled substances.

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10 Referral requested by: Representative Kim Hammer

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