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2 State of Arkansas

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6 By: Senator G. Stubblefield

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

9 For An Act To Be Entitled

10 AN ACT TO AMEND THE DEFINITION OF CERTIFIED
11 REGISTERED NURSE ANESTHETISTS BY REMOVING SUPERVISION
12 REQUIREMENTS; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

13 14 15 Subtitle

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17 REGISTERED NURSE ANESTHETISTS BY REMOVING
18 SUPERVISION REQUIREMENTS.

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21 BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ARKANSAS:

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23 SECTION 1. Arkansas Code § 17-87-102(7), concerning the definition of
24 practice of certified registered nurse anesthesia within the nurse practice
25 act, is amended to read as follows:

26 (7)(A) "Practice of certified registered nurse anesthesia" means
27 the performance for compensation of advanced nursing practices by a certified
28 registered nurse anesthetist that are relevant to the administration of
29 *anesthetics ~~under the supervision of~~ in coordination with, but not*
30 *necessarily in the presence of, a licensed physician, licensed dentist, or*
31 *other person lawfully entitled to order anesthesia.*

32 (B) A certified registered nurse anesthetist may order
33 nurses, within his or her scope of practice, to administer drugs
34 preoperatively and postoperatively in connection with an anesthetic or other
35 operative or invasive procedure, or both, that will be or has been provided;
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/s/G. Stubblefield

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