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# A Bill

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SENATE BILL

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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

16 TO AMEND THE DEFINITION OF CERTIFIED  
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, but not necessarily in the presence of,~~  
30 ~~a licensed physician, licensed dentist, or other person lawfully entitled to~~  
31 ~~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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