

Stricken language would be deleted from and underlined language would be added to present law.

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# A Bill

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HOUSE BILL 1160

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5 By: Representatives Hammer, Gonzales

## For An Act To Be Entitled

8 AN ACT TO AMEND THE PRESCRIPTIVE AUTHORITY OF AN  
9 *ADVANCED PRACTICE REGISTERED NURSE; TO CREATE AN*  
10 *ADVANCED PRACTICE REGISTERED NURSE SUBCOMMITTEE IN*  
11 *THE ARKANSAS STATE BOARD OF NURSING; AND FOR OTHER*  
12 *PURPOSES.*

### Subtitle

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16 *TO AMEND THE PRESCRIPTIVE AUTHORITY OF AN*  
17 *ADVANCED PRACTICE REGISTERED NURSE; AND*  
18 *TO CREATE AN ADVANCED PRACTICE REGISTERED*  
19 *NURSE SUBCOMMITTEE IN THE ARKANSAS STATE*  
20 *BOARD OF NURSING.*

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

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25 *SECTION 1. Arkansas Code § 17-87-310(b)(2), concerning prescriptive*  
26 *authority for an advanced practice registered nurse, is amended to read as*  
27 *follows:*

28 *(2) An advanced practice registered nurse's prescriptive*  
29 *authority ~~shall only extend~~ shall extend only to drugs listed in ~~Schedules~~*  
30 *~~III—V~~ Schedules II – V.*

31 *(3) The Arkansas State Board of Nursing shall promptly adopt*  
32 *rules applicable to an advance practice registered nurse that are consistent*  
33 *with the Arkansas State Medical Board's rules governing the prescription of*  
34 *dangerous drugs and controlled substances.*

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36 *SECTION 2. Arkansas Code Title 17, Chapter 87, Subchapter 2, is*



1 amended to add an additional section to read as follows:

2 17-87-208. Advanced Practice Registered Nurse Committee – Membership.

3 (a)(1) The Advanced Practice Registered Nurse Committee is created  
4 within the Arkansas State Board of Nursing.

5 (2) The committee shall consist of five (5) members appointed by  
6 the board from a list of individuals who are advanced practice registered  
7 nurses.

8 (b)(1) Committee members shall serve three-year terms.

9 (2) A committee member shall serve until a successor is  
10 appointed by the board.

11 (3) If a vacancy occurs, the board shall appoint a new member to  
12 fill the vacancy.

13 (c)(1) The committee shall elect a chair with powers and duties the  
14 committee shall fix.

15 (2) The chair shall serve a two-year term.

16 (3) A chair may be elected for no more than two (2) consecutive  
17 terms.

18 (d)(1) A quorum of the committee shall be three (3) members.

19 (2) The committee shall hold a meeting at least quarterly and at  
20 other times the committee considers advisable.

21 (e)(1) The committee members shall serve without remuneration.

22 (2) However, if funds are available, the committee members may  
23 receive expense reimbursement and stipends in accordance with § 25-16-902, as  
24 follows:

25 (A) The member's actual expenses while attending regular  
26 and special meetings of the committee; and

27 (B) A per diem allowance when in attendance at regular or  
28 special meetings of the committee.

29 (f) Members of the committee who are members of the board shall  
30 receive remuneration as now provided to members of the board.

31 (g) The purpose of the committee is to review all collaborative  
32 agreements between physicians and advanced practice registered nurses.

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34 /s/Hammer  
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