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A Bill

SENATE BILL 171

5 By: Senator G. Stubblefield
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For An Act To Be Entitled

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

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13 TO AMEND THE DEFINITION OF CERTIFIED
14 REGISTERED NURSE ANESTHETISTS BY REMOVING
15 SUPERVISION REQUIREMENTS.
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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 § 17-87-102(7), concerning the definition of
22 practice of certified registered nurse anesthesia within the nurse practice
23 act, is amended to read as follows:

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

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