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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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14 TO AMEND THE DEFINITION OF CERTIFIED  
15 REGISTERED NURSE ANESTHETISTS BY REMOVING  
16 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~~ in coordination with, but not*  
28 *necessarily in the presence of, a licensed physician, licensed dentist, or*  
29 *other person lawfully entitled to 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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35 */s/G. Stubblefield*  
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