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# A Bill

HOUSE BILL 1198

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## For An Act To Be Entitled

9 AN ACT TO AMEND THE DEFINITION OF "PRACTICE OF  
10 CERTIFIED REGISTERED NURSE ANESTHESIA" BY REMOVING  
11 SUPERVISION REQUIREMENTS; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.  
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## Subtitle

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16 CERTIFIED REGISTERED NURSE ANESTHESIA" BY  
17 REMOVING SUPERVISION REQUIREMENTS.  
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20 BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ARKANSAS:  
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22 SECTION 1. Arkansas Code § 17-87-102(7), concerning the definition of  
23 "practice of certified registered nurse anesthesia" regarding the practice of  
24 nursing, is amended to read as follows:

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

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

35 (C) As used in this subdivision (7), "consultation" means  
36 the process and relationship in which a certified nurse anesthetist together



1 with a medical doctor, osteopathic physician, podiatric physician, or dentist  
2 delivers health care within the scope of practice of the various clinical  
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