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A bill to be entitled  
An act relating to advanced registered nurse  
practitioners; amending s. 893.02, F.S.;  
authorizing such practitioners to prescribe  
controlled substances under certain  
circumstances; providing an effective date.

Be It Enacted by the Legislature of the State of Florida:

Section 1. Subsection (18) of section 893.02, Florida  
Statutes, is amended to read:

893.02 Definitions.--The following words and phrases  
as used in this chapter shall have the following meanings,  
unless the context otherwise requires:

(18) "Practitioner" means a physician licensed  
pursuant to chapter 458, a dentist licensed pursuant to  
chapter 466, a veterinarian licensed pursuant to chapter 474,  
an osteopathic physician licensed pursuant to chapter 459, a  
naturopath licensed pursuant to chapter 462, an advanced nurse  
practitioner licensed pursuant to chapter 464 and subject to  
the provisions of ss. 464.012 and 893.0357, or a podiatrist  
licensed pursuant to chapter 461, provided such practitioner  
holds a valid federal controlled substance registry number.

Section 2. Section 893.0357, Florida Statutes, is  
created to read:

893.0357 Prescription of controlled substances by  
advanced registered nurse practitioners.--

(1) An advanced registered nurse practitioner licensed  
pursuant to chapter 464 may apply for a controlled substance  
registry number upon meeting the following requirements:

