

1 A bill to be entitled
 2 An act relating to nurse practitioners; amending s.
 3 893.02, F.S.; redefining the term "practitioner" to
 4 include an advanced registered nurse practitioner;
 5 authorizing an advanced registered nurse practitioner to
 6 prescribe certain controlled substances under certain
 7 circumstances; providing an effective date.

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

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 11 Section 1. Subsection (19) of section 893.02, Florida
 12 Statutes, is amended to read:

13 893.02 Definitions.--The following words and phrases as
 14 used in this chapter shall have the following meanings, unless
 15 the context otherwise requires:

16 (19) "Practitioner" means a physician licensed pursuant to
 17 chapter 458, a dentist licensed pursuant to chapter 466, a
 18 veterinarian licensed pursuant to chapter 474, an osteopathic
 19 physician licensed pursuant to chapter 459, a naturopath
 20 licensed pursuant to chapter 462, ~~or~~ a podiatric physician
 21 licensed pursuant to chapter 461, or an advanced registered
 22 nurse practitioner certified pursuant to s. 464.012 in
 23 accordance with the requirements of this paragraph, provided
 24 such practitioner holds a valid federal controlled substance
 25 registry number. An advanced registered nurse practitioner
 26 certified pursuant to s. 464.012 may prescribe substances listed
 27 in Schedule III, Schedule IV, or Schedule V to the extent
 28 authorized by a protocol with a physician licensed under chapter

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29 458 or chapter 459. In addition to the authority to prescribe
30 controlled substances listed in Schedule III, Schedule IV, or
31 Schedule V, an advanced registered nurse practitioner may
32 prescribe or order substances listed in Schedule II for a
33 patient in a hospital or hospice to the extent authorized by his
34 or her protocol.

35 Section 2. This act shall take effect upon becoming a law.