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

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

Section 1. Subsection (19) 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:

(19) "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, ~~or~~ a podiatric
physician licensed pursuant to chapter 461, or an advanced
registered nurse practitioner certified pursuant to s. 464.012
in accordance with the requirements of this paragraph,
provided such practitioner holds a valid federal controlled
substance registry number. An advanced registered nurse
practitioner certified pursuant to s. 464.012 may prescribe
substances listed in Schedule III, Schedule IV, or Schedule V
to the extent authorized by a protocol with a physician
licensed under chapter 458 or chapter 459. In addition to the

1 authority to prescribe controlled substances listed in
2 Schedule III, Schedule IV, or Schedule V, an advanced
3 registered nurse practitioner may prescribe or order
4 substances listed in Schedule II for a patient in a hospital
5 or hospice to the extent authorized by his or her protocol.

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

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SENATE SUMMARY

Redefines the term "practitioner" to include an advanced registered nurse practitioner. Authorizes an advanced registered nurse practitioner to prescribe certain controlled substances under certain circumstances.