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1 A bill to be entitled
2 An act relating to advanced registered nurse
3 practitioners; amending s. 464.012, F.S.; providing
4 that certified registered nurse anesthetists, to the
5 extent authorized by a protocol established in
6 collaboration with the medical staff of a facility in
7 which the anesthetic service is performed, may
8 determine, in collaboration with the responsible
9 physician, the appropriate type of anesthesia;
10 providing an effective date.

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

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14 Section 1. Paragraph (a) of subsection (4) of section
15 464.012, Florida Statutes, is amended to read:

16 464.012 Certification of advanced registered nurse
17 practitioners; fees; controlled substance prescribing.—

18 (4) In addition to the general functions specified in
19 subsection (3), an advanced registered nurse practitioner may
20 perform the following acts within his or her specialty:

21 (a) The certified registered nurse anesthetist may, to the
22 extent authorized by a protocol established in collaboration
23 with established protocol approved by the medical staff of the
24 facility in which the anesthetic service is performed, perform
25 any or all of the following:

26 1. Determine the health status of the patient as it relates
27 to the risk factors and to the anesthetic management of the
28 patient through the performance of the general functions.

29 2. Based on history, physical assessment, and supplemental
30 laboratory results, determine, in collaboration with the ~~consent~~
31 of the responsible physician, the appropriate type of anesthesia
32 within the framework of the protocol.

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- 33 3. Order under the protocol preanesthetic medication.
- 34 4. Perform under the protocol procedures commonly used to
35 render the patient insensible to pain during the performance of
36 surgical, obstetrical, therapeutic, or diagnostic clinical
37 procedures. These procedures include ordering and administering
38 regional, spinal, and general anesthesia; inhalation agents and
39 techniques; intravenous agents and techniques; and techniques of
40 hypnosis.
- 41 5. Order or perform monitoring procedures indicated as
42 pertinent to the anesthetic health care management of the
43 patient.
- 44 6. Support life functions during anesthesia health care,
45 including induction and intubation procedures, the use of
46 appropriate mechanical supportive devices, and the management of
47 fluid, electrolyte, and blood component balances.
- 48 7. Recognize and take appropriate corrective action for
49 abnormal patient responses to anesthesia, adjunctive medication,
50 or other forms of therapy.
- 51 8. Recognize and treat a cardiac arrhythmia while the
52 patient is under anesthetic care.
- 53 9. Participate in management of the patient while in the
54 postanesthesia recovery area, including ordering the
55 administration of fluids and drugs.
- 56 10. Place special peripheral and central venous and
57 arterial lines for blood sampling and monitoring as appropriate.
- 58 Section 2. This act shall take effect July 1, 2017.