By Senator Brandes

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A bill to be entitled

An act relating to autonomous practice by advanced practice registered nurses; amending s. 464.0123, F.S.; revising practices an advanced practice registered nurse may engage in autonomously; providing an effective date.

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

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Section 1. Paragraph (a) of subsection (3) of section 464.0123, Florida Statutes, is amended to read:

464.0123 Autonomous practice by an advanced practice registered nurse.—

- (3) PRACTICE REQUIREMENTS.-
- (a) An advanced practice registered nurse who is registered under this section may:
- 1. Engage in autonomous practice only in primary care practice, including family medicine, general pediatrics, and general internal medicine, as defined by board rule.
- 2. For certified nurse midwives, engage in autonomous practice in the performance of the acts listed in s. 464.012(4)(c).
- $\underline{\text{1.3.}}$  Perform the general functions of an advanced practice registered nurse under s. 464.012(3) and the acts within his or her specialty under s. 464.012(4) related to primary care.
- 2.4. For a patient who requires the services of a health care facility, as defined in s. 408.032(8):
  - a. Admit the patient to the facility.
  - b. Manage the care received by the patient in the facility.

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c. Discharge the patient from the facility, unless prohibited by federal law or rule.

3.5. Provide a signature, certification, stamp, verification, affidavit, or endorsement that is otherwise required by law to be provided by a physician, except an advanced practice registered nurse registered under this section may not issue a physician certification under s. 381.986.

Section 2. This act shall take effect July 1, 2021.