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Introduced by M. of A. GOTTFRIED, GUNTHER, PRETLOW -- read once and referred to the Committee on Higher Education

AN ACT to amend the education law, in relation to the practice of registered professional nursing by a certified registered nurse anesthetist

THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF NEW YORK, REPRESENTED IN SENATE AND ASSEMBLY, DO ENACT AS FOLLOWS:

- 1     Section 1. Section 6902 of the education law is amended by adding a  
2     new subdivision 4 to read as follows:  
3     4. (A) THE PRACTICE OF REGISTERED PROFESSIONAL NURSING BY A CERTIFIED  
4     REGISTERED NURSE ANESTHETIST MAY INCLUDE THE ABILITY TO PRESCRIBE DURING  
5     THE PERI-ANESTHETIC PERIOD. THE CERTIFIED REGISTERED NURSE ANESTHETIST  
6     SHALL OBTAIN A CERTIFICATE FROM THE DEPARTMENT UPON SUCCESSFULLY  
7     COMPLETING A PROGRAM INCLUDING AN APPROPRIATE PHARMACOLOGY COMPONENT, OR  
8     ITS EQUIVALENT, AS ESTABLISHED BY THE COMMISSIONER'S REGULATIONS, PRIOR  
9     TO PRESCRIBING UNDER THIS SUBDIVISION. THE CERTIFICATE SHALL STATE  
10    WHETHER THE CERTIFIED REGISTERED NURSE ANESTHETIST HAS SUCCESSFULLY  
11    COMPLETED SUCH A PROGRAM OR EQUIVALENT AND IS AUTHORIZED TO PRESCRIBE  
12    UNDER THIS SUBDIVISION.  
13    (B) FOR PURPOSES OF THIS ARTICLE THE TERM "CERTIFIED REGISTERED NURSE  
14    ANESTHETIST" SHALL MEAN A REGISTERED PROFESSIONAL NURSE LICENSED IN THIS  
15    STATE: WHO HAS SATISFACTORILY COMPLETED EDUCATIONAL PREPARATION FOR THE  
16    PROVISION OF ANESTHESIA SERVICES IN A PROGRAM REGISTERED BY THE DEPART-  
17    MENT OR IN A PROGRAM ACCREDITED BY A NATIONAL BODY RECOGNIZED BY THE  
18    DEPARTMENT OR DETERMINED BY THE DEPARTMENT TO BE EQUIVALENT; AND WHO  
19    SUBMITS EVIDENCE IN A MANNER AND FORM PRESCRIBED BY THE DEPARTMENT OF  
20    CURRENT CERTIFICATION OR RECERTIFICATION BY A NATIONAL CERTIFYING BODY  
21    RECOGNIZED BY THE DEPARTMENT.  
22    S 2. This act shall take effect immediately.

EXPLANATION--Matter in ITALICS (underscored) is new; matter in brackets  
[ ] is old law to be omitted.

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