

HOUSE BILL 191



HB 191 WILL...

- Put patients first. CRNAs are experts in anesthesia, adhering to the same standard of care as their physician colleagues.
- Clarify the certified registered nurse anesthetists' scope of practice.
- Allow CRNAs to continue to practice the way they always have been, as an expert in their field.
- Allow for facilities to control the anesthesia care model, giving them the flexibility to use the most cost effective provider.

Clarification of the Practice of Nurse Anesthesia

PATIENT FIRST

The training and education that a CRNA has allows them to perform the level of care outlined in HB 191. Studies prove that CRNAs provide safe and effective anesthesia in any setting. CRNAs are highly educated Advanced Practice Registered Nurses who have been practicing for over 150 years.

SCOPE CLARIFICATION

HB 191 clarifies a certified registered nurse anesthetist's scope of practice. HB 191 does not expand the scope of practice of a CRNA, but rather clarifies how CRNAs currently practice. This language matches a CRNA's education, skill and ability.

PERMISSIVE & OFFERS FACILITY CONTROL

This will be permissive language meaning that the facility will have the ultimate decision on how CRNAs will practice in their facilities.

