

SENATE BILL No. 112

By Committee on Public Health and Welfare

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1 AN ACT concerning health professions and practices; relating to the  
2 regulation of nursing; registered nurse anesthetists; authorizing  
3 independent practice and the prescribing of drugs; ***prohibiting the***  
4 ***performance or prescribing of drugs for an abortion***; amending  
5 K.S.A. 65-1158 and repealing the existing section.

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7 *Be it enacted by the Legislature of the State of Kansas:*

8 Section 1. K.S.A. 65-1158 is hereby amended to read as follows: 65-  
9 1158. (a) ~~Upon the order of a physician or dentist requesting anesthesia or~~  
10 ~~analgesia care, each A registered nurse anesthetist shall be authorized to:~~

11 ~~(1) Conduct a pre- and post-anesthesia and pre- and post-analgesia~~  
12 ~~visit and assessment with appropriate documentation;~~

13 ~~(2) develop a general plan of anesthesia care with the physician or~~  
14 ~~dentist;~~

15 ~~(3) select the method for administration of anesthesia or analgesia;~~

16 ~~(4) select or administer appropriate medications and anesthetic agents~~  
17 ~~during the peri-anesthetic or peri-analgesic period;~~

18 ~~(5) order necessary medications and tests in the peri-anesthetic or~~  
19 ~~peri-analgesic period;~~

20 ~~(6) induce and maintain anesthesia or analgesia at the required levels;~~

21 ~~(7) support life functions during the peri-anesthetic or peri-analgesic~~  
22 ~~period;~~

23 ~~(8) recognize and take appropriate action with respect to patient~~  
24 ~~responses during the peri-anesthetic or peri-analgesic period;~~

25 ~~(9) manage the patient's emergence from anesthesia or analgesia; and~~

26 ~~(10) participate in the life support of the patient~~ *may practice as an*  
27 *independent advanced practice registered nurse to the full extent of the*  
28 *licensee's education and qualifications, except that such registered nurse*  
29 *anesthetist shall not perform surgery for the purposes of implantation of*  
30 *medication reservoirs for drug delivery devices.*

31 (b) ~~Each A registered nurse anesthetist may participate in periodic and~~  
32 ~~joint evaluation of services rendered, including, but not limited to, chart~~  
33 ~~reviews, case reviews, patient evaluation and outcome of case statistics~~  
34 *prescribe, procure, select, order and administer any drug consistent with*  
35 *such licensee's education and qualifications.*

36 ~~(c) A registered nurse anesthetist shall perform duties and functions~~

1 ~~in an interdependent role as a member of a physician or dentist directed~~  
2 ~~health care team.~~

3 ***(c) A registered nurse anesthetist engaging in independent practice***  
4 ***shall not perform, induce or prescribe, procure or administer drugs for***  
5 ***an abortion.***

6 Sec. 2. K.S.A. 65-1158 is hereby repealed.

7 Sec. 3. This act shall take effect on and after January 1, 2024, and be  
8 in force from and after its publication in the statute book.