

Session of 2023

SENATE BILL No. 112

By Committee on Public Health and Welfare

1-26

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; amending K.S.A.
4 65-1158 and repealing the existing section.

prohibiting the performance or prescribing of drugs for an abortion;

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

25 (10) ~~participate in the life support of the patient~~ *may practice as an*
26 *independent advanced practice registered nurse to the full extent of the*
27 *licensee's education and qualifications.*

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

33 (c) ~~A registered nurse anesthetist shall perform duties and functions~~
34 ~~in an interdependent role as a member of a physician or dentist directed~~
35 ~~health care team.~~

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 K.S.A. 65-1158 is hereby repealed.

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

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