

**GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF NORTH CAROLINA  
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**SENATE BILL 179**

Short Title: Define Certified Registered Nurse Anesthetist. (Public)

Sponsors: Senators J. Davis (Primary Sponsor); Apodaca, Blue, D. Davis, and Kinnaird.

Referred to: Rules and Operations of the Senate.

March 6, 2013

1 A BILL TO BE ENTITLED  
2 AN ACT TO PROVIDE A DEFINITION FOR CERTIFIED REGISTERED NURSE  
3 ANESTHETISTS UNDER THE NURSING PRACTICE ACT.

4 The General Assembly of North Carolina enacts:

5 **SECTION 1.** G.S. 90-171.20 is amended by adding the following new subdivision  
6 to read:

7 "**§ 90-171.20. Definitions.**

8 As used in this Article, unless the context requires otherwise:

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10 (1a) "Certified registered nurse anesthetist" is a registered nurse who (i)  
11 completes a program accredited by the Council on Accreditation of Nurse  
12 Anesthesia Educational Programs; (ii) is credentialed as a certified registered  
13 nurse anesthetist by the Council on Certification of Nurse Anesthetists; (iii)  
14 maintains recertification through the Council on Recertification of Nurse  
15 Anesthetists; and (iv) performs nurse anesthesia activities in collaboration  
16 with a physician, dentist, podiatrist, or other lawfully qualified health care  
17 provider.

18 ...."

19 **SECTION 2.** This act is effective when it becomes law.

