A bill to be entitled 1 2 An act relating to health care practitioners; amending 3 s. 456.013, F.S.; requiring that a licensed health 4 care practitioner wear a name badge indicating 5 licensure credentials when rendering health care 6 services; amending s. 464.012, F.S.; expanding the 7 scope of practice to authorize an advanced registered 8 nurse practitioner to prescribe, order, administer, 9 monitor, and alter any drug or drug therapies that are 10 necessary for the proper medical care and treatment of 11 a patient under specified circumstances; requiring that the Board of Nursing adopt rules; authorizing a 12 certified registered nurse anesthetist, while 13 14 participating in the management of a patient in the 15 postanesthesia recovery area, to order the 16 administration of drugs that are commonly used to 17 alleviate pain; amending s. 483.035, F.S., relating to licensure and regulation of clinical laboratories 18 19 operated by practitioners for exclusive use; providing applicability to clinical laboratories operated by 20 21 practitioners licensed to practice nursing; amending 22 s. 893.02, F.S.; revising the definition of the term 23 "practitioner" to include advanced registered nurse 24 practitioners; providing an effective date. 25 26 Be It Enacted by the Legislature of the State of Florida: 27 28 Subsection (13) is added to section 456.013, Section 1. Page 1 of 7

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29 Florida Statutes, to read:

30 456.013 Department; general licensing provisions.-31 When rendering professional health care services, a (13)32 health care practitioner shall wear at all times a name badge 33 that indicates his or her appropriate licensure credentials. 34 Section 2. Subsection (3) and paragraph (a) of subsection 35 (4) of section 464.012, Florida Statutes, are amended to read: 36 464.012 Certification of advanced registered nurse 37 practitioners; fees.-An advanced registered nurse practitioner shall 38 (3) perform those functions authorized in this section within the 39 40 framework of an established protocol that is filed with the 41 board upon biennial license renewal and within 30 days after 42 entering into a supervisory relationship with a physician or 43 changes to the protocol. The board shall review the protocol to 44 ensure compliance with applicable regulatory standards for 45 protocols. The board shall refer to the department licensees submitting protocols that are not compliant with the regulatory 46 47 standards for protocols. A practitioner currently licensed under chapter 458, chapter 459, or chapter 466 shall maintain 48 49 supervision for directing the specific course of medical 50 treatment. Within the established framework, an advanced 51 registered nurse practitioner may:

(a) <u>Prescribe, order, administer, monitor, and alter any</u>
<u>drug or</u> drug therapies <u>that are necessary for the proper medical</u>
<u>care and treatment of a patient, including Schedule II through</u>
<u>Schedule V controlled substances under chapter 893 agreed upon</u>

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56 by the advanced registered nurse practitioner and the 57 supervising practitioner and specified in the protocol. 58 1. An advanced registered nurse practitioner may 59 prescribe, order, or administer such drugs under the following 60 conditions: 61 The drugs are prescribed, ordered, or administered by a. 62 an advanced registered nurse practitioner in accordance with a 63 protocol developed by the advanced registered nurse practitioner 64 and the supervising practitioner, and the drugs ordered are consistent with the advanced registered nurse practitioner's 65 66 educational preparation or for which clinical competency has 67 been established and maintained. b. The protocol covering the prescription, order, or 68 69 administration of drugs specifies the name of the advanced 70 registered nurse practitioner who may prescribe, administer, or 71 order the drugs, the drugs that may be prescribed or ordered and 72 the circumstances under which they may be prescribed or ordered, 73 the extent of the supervising practitioner's supervision of the 74 advanced registered nurse practitioner, and the method of 75 periodic review of the advanced registered nurse practitioner's 76 competence, including peer review. The protocol for prescribing, 77 ordering, or administering Schedule II controlled substances 78 must address the illness, injury, or condition for which the 79 Schedule II controlled substance may be used. 80 c. The administering or ordering of drugs by an advanced 81 registered nurse practitioner occurs under practitioner 82 supervision. As used in this paragraph, the term "practitioner 83 supervision" means a collaboration between the advanced

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84 registered nurse practitioner and the supervising practitioner 85 on the development of the protocol and the availability of the 86 supervising practitioner via telephonic contact at the time the 87 patient is examined by the advanced registered nurse 88 practitioner. The term does not mean that the physical presence 89 of the supervising practitioner is required. A supervising 90 practitioner may not supervise more than four advanced 91 registered nurse practitioners at any one time. 92 d. A copy of the section of the advanced registered nurse 93 practitioner's protocol relating to controlled substances must 94 be provided upon request to the licensed pharmacist who 95 dispenses the drugs. 96 e. The board has certified that the advanced registered 97 nurse practitioner has satisfactorily completed: (I) At least 6 months of direct supervision in 98 prescribing, ordering, and administering controlled substances; 99 100 and 101 (II) A course in pharmacology covering the prescribing, 102 ordering, and administration of controlled substances. 103 2. The board shall adopt rules to administer this 104 paragraph. 105 (b) Initiate appropriate therapies for certain conditions. 106 (C) Perform additional functions as may be determined by 107 rule in accordance with s. 464.003(2). 108 (d) Order diagnostic tests and physical and occupational 109 therapy.

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(4) In addition to the general functions specified in subsection (3), an advanced registered nurse practitioner may perform the following acts within his or her specialty:

(a) The certified registered nurse anesthetist may, to the extent authorized by established protocol approved by the medical staff of the facility in which the anesthetic service is performed, perform any or all of the following:

Determine the health status of the patient as it
 relates to the risk factors and to the anesthetic management of
 the patient through the performance of the general functions.

120 2. Based on history, physical assessment, and supplemental 121 laboratory results, determine, with the consent of the 122 responsible physician, the appropriate type of anesthesia within 123 the framework of the protocol.

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3. Order under the protocol preanesthetic medication.

4. Perform under the protocol procedures commonly used to render the patient insensible to pain during the performance of surgical, obstetrical, therapeutic, or diagnostic clinical procedures. These procedures include ordering and administering regional, spinal, and general anesthesia; inhalation agents and techniques; intravenous agents and techniques; and techniques of hypnosis.

132 5. Order or perform monitoring procedures indicated as
133 pertinent to the anesthetic health care management of the
134 patient.

135 6. Support life functions during anesthesia health care,136 including induction and intubation procedures, the use of

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137 appropriate mechanical supportive devices, and the management of138 fluid, electrolyte, and blood component balances.

139 7. Recognize and take appropriate corrective action for
140 abnormal patient responses to anesthesia, adjunctive medication,
141 or other forms of therapy.

142 8. Recognize and treat a cardiac arrhythmia while the143 patient is under anesthetic care.

9. Participate in management of the patient while in the
postanesthesia recovery area, including ordering the
administration of fluids and drugs, which include those drugs
that are commonly used to alleviate pain.

148 10. Place special peripheral and central venous and149 arterial lines for blood sampling and monitoring as appropriate.

Section 3. Subsection (1) of section 483.035, FloridaStatutes, is amended to read:

483.035 Clinical laboratories operated by practitioners
for exclusive use; licensure and regulation.-

154 (1) A clinical laboratory operated by one or more 155 practitioners licensed under chapter 458, chapter 459, chapter 156 460, chapter 461, chapter 462, chapter 464, or chapter 466, 157 exclusively in connection with the diagnosis and treatment of their own patients, must be licensed under this part and must 158 159 comply with the provisions of this part, except that the agency 160 shall adopt rules for staffing, for personnel, including education and training of personnel, for proficiency testing, 161 and for construction standards relating to the licensure and 162 operation of the laboratory based upon and not exceeding the 163 164 same standards contained in the federal Clinical Laboratory

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165 Improvement Amendments of 1988 and the federal regulations 166 adopted thereunder.

Section 4. Subsection (21) of section 893.02, FloridaStatutes, is amended to read:

169 893.02 Definitions.—The following words and phrases as 170 used in this chapter shall have the following meanings, unless 171 the context otherwise requires:

172 (21) "Practitioner" means a physician licensed pursuant to 173 chapter 458, a dentist licensed pursuant to chapter 466, a 174 veterinarian licensed pursuant to chapter 474, an osteopathic physician licensed pursuant to chapter 459, a naturopath 175 176 licensed pursuant to chapter 462, an advanced registered nurse 177 practitioner licensed pursuant to chapter 464, or a podiatric 178 physician licensed pursuant to chapter 461, provided such 179 practitioner holds a valid federal controlled substance registry 180 number.

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Section 5. This act shall take effect July 1, 2012.

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