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LEGISLATIVE ACTION

Senate	.	House
Comm: RCS	.	
02/03/2026	.	
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The Committee on Health Policy (Sharief) recommended the following:

Senate Amendment (with title amendment)

Delete lines 16 - 24
and insert:

(10) A person who is licensed pursuant to this chapter and holds a doctoral degree may use the title "Doctor of Nursing Practice" and the abbreviation "D.N.P." or the title "Doctor of Philosophy" and the abbreviation "Ph.D." in a manner consistent with the doctoral degree such person has obtained. A nurse who holds a doctoral degree may not use the title "doctor" in a



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clinical setting without clearly specifying his or her
profession.

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And the title is amended as follows:

Delete lines 3 - 8

and insert:

titles; amending s. 464.015, F.S.; authorizing
licensed nurses who hold a doctoral degree to use
specified titles and abbreviations in a specified
manner; prohibiting nurses who hold a doctoral degree
from using a specified title in the clinical setting
without clearly specifying their profession; providing
an effective date.