## 77th OREGON LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY – 2013 Regular Session MEASURE: SB 210

STAFF MEASURE SUMMARY

Senate Committee on Health Care & Human Services

REVENUE: No revenue impact FISCAL: No fiscal impact

**Action:** Do Pass **Vote:** 5 - 0 - 0

Yeas: Knopp, Kruse, Shields, Steiner Hayward, Monnes Anderson

Nays: 0 Exc.: 0

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Meeting Dates: 2/14

**WHAT THE MEASURE DOES:** Authorizes certified registered nurse anesthetists (CRNAs) to deliver certain services without medical collaboration in connection with procedures performed in a location where medical, surgical or dental services are rendered, other than ambulatory surgical center or hospital.

**CARRIER: Sen. Monnes Anderson** 

## **ISSUES DISCUSSED:**

- Review of CRNA education and licensing requirements
- CRNAs' current practice settings
- Office-based procedures and surgeries
- CRNAs' role in health care transformation
- Concerns relating to oversight provisions and supervision
- Available data relating to supervised versus unsupervised CRNAs
- Current role of CRNAs in health care delivery system

## EFFECT OF COMMITTEE AMENDMENT: No amendment.

**BACKGROUND:** Currently, Oregon law specifies guidelines for Certified Registered Nurse Anesthetists (CRNAs) to follow when practicing in an ambulatory surgical center and/or a hospital, but it is silent on office practice settings. CRNAs have practiced in all settings, including dentists, podiatrists, ophthalmologists, plastic surgeons and women's health care offices.

Proponents received a legal opinion that legislative language should be pursued that codifies CRNAs authority to practice in office settings. Senate Bill 210 grants that authority.