

March 11, 2019  
Oregon Senate  
Committee on Health Care  
900 Court Street NE  
Salem, OR 97301

RE: Oregon Senate Bill (SB) 128: Directs Board of Medical Imaging to issue permit to supervise fluoroscopy to qualified advanced practice registered nurse

Dear Chair Monnes Anderson and Members of the Committee:

As a Board-Certified Registered Nurse Anesthetist (CRNA), I am writing to urge you to **SUPPORT SB 128** which allows qualified Advanced Practice Registered Nurses (APRNs) to supervise fluoroscopy.

SB 128 would remove barriers that prevent Oregon APRNs from practicing to the fullest extent of their education, training and expertise. For CRNAs specifically, all Nurse Anesthesia programs include fluoroscopy in their curriculum, as required by the Council on Accreditation (COA). CRNAs who complete fellowship training in Non-surgical Pain Management Certification must complete an additional focused curriculum on fluoroscopic safety and training. The Oregon State Board of Nursing, which regulates the scope of practice for CRNAs, includes fluoroscopy, "in accordance with other applicable rules and regulations for diagnosis, care delivery or improvement of client safety or comfort."

Working in collaboration with radiologic technologists or other licensed providers who operate the fluoroscopic equipment, fellowship trained CRNAs offers an invaluable non-opioid approach to treat pain. By allowing CRNAs to function to the fullest within their scope of practice, you can empower these vital healthcare providers to aid underserved communities.

**SUPPORT SB 128** and allow APRNs to become part of the solution to provide healthcare access to all Oregonians!

Respectfully,



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