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Senate Bill 136

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CHAPTER

AN ACT

Relating to prescribing authority of certified registered nurse anesthetists; creating new provisions; amending ORS 678.282; and declaring an emergency.

Be It Enacted by the People of the State of Oregon:

SECTION 1. ORS 678.282 is amended to read:

678.282. (1)(a) Subject to paragraph (b) of this subsection, the Oregon State Board of Nursing may authorize a certified registered nurse anesthetist to prescribe prescription drugs, including prescriptions for controlled substances listed in Schedules II, III, III N, IV and V.

(b) A certified registered nurse anesthetist may prescribe prescription drugs under paragraph (a) of this subsection only[:]

[(A) For a supply of not more than 10 days with no refills; and]

[(B)] for an individual for whom the certified registered nurse anesthetist has, at the time of the prescription, established a client or patient record.

(2) For the purpose of authorizing certified registered nurse anesthetists to prescribe prescription drugs, the board shall adopt rules establishing:

(a) That the scope of practice of a certified registered nurse anesthetist includes the authority to prescribe prescription drugs.

(b) Educational requirements for certified registered nurse anesthetists applying for the authority to prescribe prescription drugs. Educational requirements adopted under this subsection must include:

(A) At least 45 contact hours in pharmacology; and

(B) Clinical education in pharmacotherapeutics, including management of patients that is congruent with the specialty role sought.

(c) The form and manner of applying for and renewing the authority to prescribe prescription drugs.

(d) Application and renewal fees.

(e) Record keeping requirements for certified registered nurse anesthetists who prescribe prescription drugs that are the same as the record keeping requirements for pharmacies licensed under ORS chapter 689.

(3) In accordance with ORS chapter 183, the board may deny, suspend or revoke the authority to prescribe prescription drugs under this section if the board finds that a certified registered nurse anesthetist has abused the authority.

SECTION 2. The amendments to ORS 678.282 by section 1 of this 2019 Act apply to prescriptions issued on and after the operative date specified in section 3 of this 2019 Act.

SECTION 3. (1) The amendments to ORS 678.282 by section 1 of this 2019 Act become operative on January 1, 2020.

(2) The Oregon State Board of Nursing may take any action before the operative date specified in subsection (1) of this section that is necessary to enable the board to exercise, on and after the operative date specified in subsection (1) of this section, all of the duties, functions and powers conferred on the board by the amendments to ORS 678.282 by section 1 of this 2019 Act.

SECTION 4. This 2019 Act being necessary for the immediate preservation of the public peace, health and safety, an emergency is declared to exist, and this 2019 Act takes effect on its passage.

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