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This bill is absolutely puts the patient receiving care at a high risk for unsafe practices. By having an apprenticeship the "student" is missing the fundamentals that build a certified surgical technologist into a safe practitioner. Basic fundaments include anatomy and physiology, microbiology and understanding the why to do surgeries being performed. By having and apprenticeships you are essentially training a robot who will not be able to critically think about the patient and their individual surgery being performed. Shame on you. I hope you put yourself into the patients role on that operating room table with someone who had no formal education. And when you obtain that infection or a retained object at fault of the lack of educated surgical technologist, I hope you sit there a regret your decision. NYAST does not support the decision to have an apprenticeship.

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