

**HB 3425 STAFF MEASURE SUMMARY**

**House Committee On Behavioral Health and Health Care**

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**WHAT THE MEASURE DOES:**

Directs Oregon State Board of Nursing to issue license to practice as certified registered nurse anesthetist (CRNA) to qualified applicant. Prohibits unlicensed practice or use of name or title. Specifies that CRNA scope of practice includes authority to prescribe prescription drugs if CRNA is authorized by board to prescribe. Removes limits on location of practice. Takes effect on 91st day following adjournment sine die.

*FISCAL: No fiscal impact*

*REVENUE: No revenue impact*

**ISSUES DISCUSSED:**

- History of CRNA licensure

**EFFECT OF AMENDMENT:**

No amendment.

**BACKGROUND:**

The Oregon State Board of Nursing (OSBN) protects the public by regulating nursing education, licensure, and practice. The OSBN regulates seven nursing occupations: registered nurse (RN), licensed practical nurse (LPN), clinical nurse specialist (CNS), certified registered nurse anesthetist (CRNA), nurse practitioner (NP), certified nursing assistant (CNA), certified medication aide (CMA). CRNAs are an advanced practice registered nurse who have post-baccalaureate nurse anesthetist education.

House Bill 3425 would direct the Oregon State Board of Nursing to issue a license to practice as a certified registered nurse anesthetist to qualified applicants.