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Sub. Bill Comparative Synopsis

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This table summarizes how the latest substitute version of the bill differs from the As Introduced version. In general, it addresses only the topics on which the two versions differ substantively.

Topic	Previous Version (As Introduced)	Sub. Version (L_132_1046-5)
Physician supervision <i>(R.C. 4723.01 and 4723.43(B))</i>	Permits a certified registered nurse anesthetist (CRNA) to practice without a supervising physician, dentist, or podiatrist, including when administering anesthesia.	No provision.
Selecting and ordering anesthesia and other drugs <i>(R.C. 4723.43(B))</i>	<p>Authorizes a CRNA to select and order anesthesia.</p> <p>Permits the CRNA to select, order, and administer fluids, treatments, and drugs for conditions related to the administration of anesthesia before, during, and after a surgery or procedure.</p> <p>Allows a CRNA to select, order, and administer pain relief therapies during the period after a surgery or procedure.</p> <p>Specifies that anesthesia includes sedation.</p>	<p>Same.</p> <p>Similar, but specifies that a CRNA may do so during the perianesthesia period, rather than the period before, during, or after a surgery or procedure.</p> <p>Similar, but provides that a CRNA may do so during the perianesthesia period, rather than the period after a surgery or procedure.</p> <p>No provision.</p>

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Clinical functions <i>(R.C. 4723.43(B))</i>	Eliminates CRNA authority to perform clinical support functions. No provision.	Instead, authorizes a CRNA to perform clinical functions (rather than clinical support functions) if they are either of the following: (1) Specified in the clinical experience standards established for nurse anesthetist education programs by a national accreditation organization selected by the Ohio Board of Nursing; (2) Completed pursuant to a physician consultation. Authorizes a CRNA – when performing clinical functions – to order fluids, treatments, drugs, and one or more diagnostic tests and to evaluate the results of those tests.
Anesthesia induction, maintenance, and emergence <i>(R.C. 4723.43(B))</i>	Eliminates CRNA authority to perform anesthesia induction, maintenance, and emergence.	No provision.
Delegation <i>(R.C. 4723.43(B))</i>	Permits a CRNA to direct registered nurses, licensed practical nurses, respiratory therapists, and other persons to perform specified tasks for patient management and care in period before, during, and after a surgery or procedure.	Similar, but allows a CRNA to delegate the tasks only to registered nurses, licensed practical nurses, and respiratory therapists. (Authority to delegate to other persons is no longer included.) Also provides that the tasks may be performed in either of the following circumstances: during the perianesthesia period or when the CRNA performs clinical functions.
Additional CRNA services and activities <i>(R.C. 4723.43(B))</i>	Authorizes a CRNA to perform and document preanesthetic preparation and evaluation.	Instead, allows a CRNA to perform and document evaluations and assessments during the perianesthesia period.

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	Permits a CRNA to respond to emergencies relating to airway management.	No provision.
Penalties <i>(R.C. 4723.44(B) and 4723.99)</i>	Prohibits a CRNA from knowingly issuing orders for drugs or directing others to administer drugs in a manner that does not comply with the bill's provisions. Provides that a CRNA who violates this prohibition is guilty of a fifth degree felony on a first offense and a fourth degree felony on a subsequent offense.	No provision. No provision.