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**AGENCY BILL ANALYSIS
2025 REGULAR SESSION**

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SECTION I: GENERAL INFORMATION

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Check all that apply:

Original **Amendment**
Correction **Substitute**

Date 1/28/2025

Bill No: SB 78

Sponsor: Sen. Michael Padilla
Short Title: Independent Role for Certified Registered Nurse Anesthetists

Agency Name and Code

Number: Regulation and Licensing 420

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SECTION II: FISCAL IMPACT

APPROPRIATION (dollars in thousands)

Appropriation		Recurring or Nonrecurring	Fund Affected
FY25	FY26		
N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A

(Parenthesis () Indicate Expenditure Decreases)

REVENUE (dollars in thousands)

Estimated Revenue			Recurring or Nonrecurring	Fund Affected
FY25	FY26	FY27		
N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A

(Parenthesis () Indicate Expenditure Decreases)

ESTIMATED ADDITIONAL OPERATING BUDGET IMPACT (dollars in thousands)

	FY25	FY26	FY27	3 Year Total Cost	Recurring or Nonrecurring	Fund Affected
Total	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A

(Parenthesis () Indicate Expenditure Decreases)

Duplicates/Conflicts with/Companion to/Relates to:
Duplicates/Relates to Appropriation in the General Appropriation Act

SECTION III: NARRATIVE

BILL SUMMARY

Synopsis: Senate Bill 78 (SB78)

SB78 amends the licensure provisions for certification as a registered nurse anesthetist in two ways: (1) changes the standard of care and services from those of the American Association of Nurse Anesthetists to the current guidelines for nurse anesthesia practice issued by the national professional association representing certified registered nurse anesthetists; and (2) authorizes a certified registered nurse anesthetist to function in either an independent role or in collaboration with other health care providers in accordance with the policies of a health care facility. The effective date of the legislation is June 20, 2025.

FISCAL IMPLICATIONS

There is no anticipated fiscal impact on the New Mexico Regulation and Licensing Department (RLD) if SB78 were to be enacted. RLD does not license nurse anesthetists and does not license or regulate any profession that would be directly impacted by a change to licensing of nurse anesthetists.

SIGNIFICANT ISSUES

PERFORMANCE IMPLICATIONS

ADMINISTRATIVE IMPLICATIONS

CONFLICT, DUPLICATION, COMPANIONSHIP, RELATIONSHIP

TECHNICAL ISSUES

OTHER SUBSTANTIVE ISSUES

ALTERNATIVES

WHAT WILL BE THE CONSEQUENCES OF NOT ENACTING THIS BILL

AMENDMENTS