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AGENCY BILL ANALYSIS - 2025 REGULAR SESSION

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SECTION I: GENERAL INFORMATION

{Indicate if analysis is on an original bill, amendment, substitute or a correction of a previous bill}

Date Prepared: 1/27/2025 *Check all that apply:*
Bill Number: SB 78 Original Correction
 Amendment Substitute

Sponsor: Michael Padilla **Agency Name and Code** Board of Nursing 449
Short Title: Certified Nurse Anesthetist Role **Number:** _____
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SECTION II: FISCAL IMPACT

APPROPRIATION (dollars in thousands)

Appropriation		Recurring or Nonrecurring	Fund Affected
FY25	FY26		
0	0	0	0

(Parenthesis () indicate expenditure decreases)

REVENUE (dollars in thousands)

Estimated Revenue			Recurring or Nonrecurring	Fund Affected
FY25	FY26	FY27		
0	0	0	0	0

(Parenthesis () indicate revenue decreases)

ESTIMATED ADDITIONAL OPERATING BUDGET IMPACT (dollars in thousands)

	FY25	FY26	FY27	3 Year Total Cost	Recurring or Nonrecurring	Fund Affected
Total	0	0	0	0	0	0

(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:

The bill allows for the certified registered nursing anesthetist [CRNA] to practice independently or in collaboration with another health care provider in accordance with policies of a given health care facility.

This bill is consistent with national trends that the BON is seeing via the legislation watch alert from the national council, i.e. expanding advanced practice nurses independence as they provide safe and cost effective care. Review of national outcomes and safety data reflects this.

FISCAL IMPLICATIONS

None

Note: major assumptions underlying fiscal impact should be documented.

Note: if additional operating budget impact is estimated, assumptions and calculations should be reported in this section.

SIGNIFICANT ISSUES

None

PERFORMANCE IMPLICATIONS

None

ADMINISTRATIVE IMPLICATIONS

None

CONFLICT, DUPLICATION, COMPANIONSHIP, RELATIONSHIP

None

TECHNICAL ISSUES

None

OTHER SUBSTANTIVE ISSUES

None

ALTERNATIVES

None

WHAT WILL BE THE CONSEQUENCES OF NOT ENACTING THIS BILL

The consequences of not enacting this bill may negatively impact the number of CRNA anesthesia providers in rural areas. NM may be seen as a less attractive state to practice in compared to other states where CRNAs practice at the highest level of their education and training. NM has lost CRNAs due to the inability to clarify the NPA, despite NM CRNAs having practiced so since the Opt-out CMS letter signed by former Governor Gary Johnson.

AMENDMENTS