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8 SYNOPSIS: Under existing law, when a contract or plan
9 of health insurance or health care services
10 provides reimbursement or payment for services of a
11 certified registered nurse anesthetist (CRNA), the
12 CRNA is entitled to direct reimbursement from the
13 insurer under certain conditions. For the purpose
14 of this bill, a certified registered nurse
15 anesthetist is defined to be a licensed registered
16 nurse certified by the Council on
17 Certification/Recertification of Nurse
18 Anesthetists.

19 This bill would update the definition of a
20 certified registered nurse anesthetist for purposes
21 of the above law to mean a licensed registered
22 nurse certified by the National Board on
23 Certification and Recertification for Nurse
24 Anesthetists or other certifying body approved by
25 the Board of Nursing.

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27 A BILL

1 TO BE ENTITLED

2 AN ACT

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4 Relating to certified registered nurse anesthetists;
5 to amend Section 27-46-3 of the Code of Alabama 1975,
6 providing for direct reimbursement for the services of a
7 certified registered nurse anesthetist by insurers, to further
8 provide for the definition of a certified registered nurse
9 anesthetist for the purposes of the law.

10 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF ALABAMA:

11 Section 1. Section 27-46-3 of the Code of Alabama
12 1975, is amended to read as follows:

13 "§27-46-3.

14 "For the purposes of this ~~section~~ chapter, certified
15 registered nurse anesthetist means any licensed registered
16 nurse licensed under Section 34-21-20, who is a graduate of a
17 formal education program accredited by the Council on
18 Accreditation of Nurse Anesthesia Educational Programs or its
19 predecessor, ~~the American Association of Nurse Anesthetists,~~
20 and who is currently certified as a registered nurse
21 anesthetist by the ~~Council on Certification/Recertification of~~
22 ~~Nurse Anesthetists~~ National Board on Certification and
23 Recertification for Nurse Anesthetists, or other certifying
24 body approved by the Board of Nursing."

25 Section 2. This act shall become effective
26 immediately following its passage and approval by the
27 Governor, or its otherwise becoming law.

