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## **Fiscal Note & Local Impact Statement**

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**Version:** As Introduced

**Primary Sponsors:** Reps. Cross and Wilkin

**Local Impact Statement Procedure Required:** No

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### **Highlights**

- The Board of Nursing may experience a minimal increase in administrative and investigative costs as a result of the bill.

### **Detailed Analysis**

The bill permits certified registered nurse anesthetists (CRNAs) to (1) select anesthesia if the CRNA is in the immediate presence of a physician, podiatrist, or dentist, (2) select, order, and administer other drugs for the treatment of conditions related to the administration of anesthesia, (3) order fluids, treatments, drugs, and diagnostic tests and evaluate the results of those tests when performing clinical functions, and (4) direct nurses and respiratory therapists to perform specified tasks, including administering drugs. As a result of the bill, the Board of Nursing could realize a minimal increase in costs to promulgate rules and make any necessary administrative and information technology changes. Additionally, it is possible that these changes in practice could increase the number of complaints and subsequent disciplinary hearings. If this occurs, there could be an increase in these costs; however, any increase is expected to be minimal. At the end of FY 2018, the Board of Nursing licensed 3,087 CRNAs.