Department of Legislative Services

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FISCAL NOTE

House Bill 622 (Delegate Hubbard)

Environmental Matters

Hospitals and Related Institutions - Staff Use and Privileges - Certified Nurse Anesthetist

This bill requires a hospital or related institution (institution) providing services that a licensed certified nurse anesthetist is permitted to perform under the Health Occupations Article, to include in its bylaws, rules, or regulations provisions for granting staff privileges to qualified certified nurse anesthetists and provisions allowing certified nurse anesthetists to use its facilities. The institution may restrict the use of facilities and staff privileges to those certified nurse anesthetists who meet the qualifications established by the institution. The bill's provisions cannot be construed to require an institution to grant admitting privileges to a certified nurse anesthetist or to permit a certified nurse anesthetist to exercise his or her privileges without appropriate collaboration with the physicians, anesthesiologists, or dentists with whom the certified nurse anesthetist has a collaborative agreement.

Fiscal Summary

State Effect: None. The bill's requirements would not materially affect governmental finances or operations.

Local Effect: None.

Small Business Effect: Potential minimal. Those certified nurse anesthetists who are small businesses may gain more staff privileges or use of hospital facilities.

Analysis

Current Law: Similar staff privilege and facility use requirements apply to hospitals and related institutions that provide services that can be performed by podiatrists, qualified dentists, and licensed psychologists.

Additional Information

Prior Introductions: None.

Cross File: None.

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