

CHAPTER 61
SB 83 - FINAL VERSION

2023 SESSION

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SENATE BILL

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AN ACT

relative to the signature authority of an advanced practice registered nurse or a certified midwife.

SPONSORS:

Sen. Prentiss, Dist 5; Sen. Altschiller, Dist 24; Sen. Perkins Kwoka, Dist 21; Sen. Watters, Dist 4; Sen. Carson, Dist 14; Sen. Fenton, Dist 10; Sen. Whitley, Dist 15; Sen. Chandley, Dist 11; Sen. Ricciardi, Dist 9

COMMITTEE:

Health and Human Services

ANALYSIS

This bill allows an advanced practice registered nurse or certified midwife, acting within the scope of their practice, to certify a document in the place of a physician.

Explanation:

Matter added to current law appears in ***bold italics***.

Matter removed from current law appears [~~in brackets and struckthrough.~~]

Matter which is either (a) all new or (b) repealed and reenacted appears in regular type.

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STATE OF NEW HAMPSHIRE

In the Year of Our Lord Two Thousand Twenty Three

AN ACT relative to the signature authority of an advanced practice registered nurse or a certified midwife.

Be it Enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Court convened:

- 1 61:1 New Section; Advanced Practice Registered Nurse; Signature Authority; Certified Midwives.
- 2 Amend RSA 326-B by inserting after section 46 the following new section:
- 3 326-B:47 Signature Authority of a Advanced Practice Registered Nurse or Certified Midwife. When a
- 4 provision of law or rule requires a signature, certification, stamp, verification, affidavit, or endorsement by
- 5 a physician, that requirement may be fulfilled by an advanced practice registered nurse certified pursuant
- 6 to this chapter, or a certified nurse midwife acting within his or her scope of practice and within the
- 7 advanced practice registered nurse-patient relationship. This section shall not be construed to expand the
- 8 scope of practice of an advanced practice registered nurse or a certified nurse midwife.

61:2 Effective Date. This act shall take effect 60 days after its passage.

Approved: June 01, 2023
Effective Date: July 31, 2023