

Full talking points on amendment provide to HB 979 bill sponsor Rep. Williams.

- Amendment 2 addresses the following:
 - First, it deletes and replaces the original medical direction language for hospital employed anesthesiologists and makes it clear that this model will in no way impact CRNAs or a hospital's ability to use whichever anesthesia care ratio model needed to best serve patients. This addresses many concerns expressed during testimony and questions in Health Subcommittee.
 - Second, makes a change to the definition of an anesthesiologist to make sure all Tennessee licensed anesthesiologist can supervise CAAs.
 - Third, it makes a cleanup up requested by the Department of Health related to CAA licensure.
 - Last, it adds written protocol agreements for CAAs mirroring what's in current statute for PAs.