

# ALASKA STATE LEGISLATURE

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**Senator Cathy Giessel**  
Senate District N

## MEMORANDUM

**DATE:** February 19, 2015

**TO:** Senator Mia Costello  
Chair, Senate Labor and Commerce Committee

**FROM:** Senator Cathy Giessel 

**RE:** Request for Hearing, Senate Bill 53, Advance Practice Registered Nurse

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I respectfully request that **Senate Bill 53** "Advanced Practice Registered Nurses" be scheduled for the Senate Labor and Commerce Committee at your earliest convenience.

Senate Bill 53 updates Alaska's 34-year old statutory title from "Advanced Nurse Practitioner" (ANP) and "Nurse Anesthetist" (NA) to now be called "Advanced Practice Registered Nurse" (APRN).

Nothing in this bill changes certification or licensing requirements currently in place, nor changes in fee structures to the board. This merely incorporates the ANP and the NA titles, including the CNS and CNM, under the new designation Advanced Practice Registered Nurse.

Attached you will find:

1. SB 53 version N
2. SB 53 Sponsor Statement
3. SB 53 Sectional Analysis Forthcoming
4. SB 53 Letters of Support Forthcoming
5. SB 53 Title Change Chart

Please contact Jane Conway, 465-3623, in my office if you need any further information.

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