

The Attorney General of California has prepared the following title and summary of the chief purpose and points of the proposed measure:

CHIEF OF PROTOCOL OF CALIFORNIA. INTERNATIONAL DIPLOMACY.

INITIATIVE STATUTE. Establishes new Office of the Chief of Protocol to advance the foreign policy goals of California. Requires the Secretary of State to appoint a Chief of Protocol who would advise the Governor, the Lieutenant Governor, and the Secretary of State on matters of national and international diplomatic protocol. Requires the Chief of Protocol to handle certain official diplomatic activities, including planning programs for certain visiting foreign leaders; accompanying the Governor on official visits abroad; representing the Governor at certain diplomatic events; and helping to establish embassies in California and abroad. Requires California to extend diplomatic recognition to member states of the United Nations. Summary of estimate by Legislative Analyst and Director of Finance of fiscal impact on state and local government: **Unknown increase in state costs due to the considerable uncertainties surrounding implementation of this measure.** (15-0046.)