

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

ESTABLISHES PUBLIC HEALTH FUND BY ENACTING DEDICATED STATEWIDE TAX ON DISTRIBUTION OF SUGAR-SWEETENED DRINKS. INITIATIVE

CONSTITUTIONAL AMENDMENT AND STATUTE. Creates a fund for public health programs to prevent, treat, and research obesity, diabetes, dental diseases, and other diseases linked to sugar-sweetened beverages, and to increase access to healthy food and drinks. Enacts a dedicated statewide tax on distributors of sugar-sweetened beverages (\$0.02 per fluid ounce).

Exempts specified beverages from tax—including milk, juice, infant formula, medical beverages, and low-sugar drinks. Requires audit of fund expenditures. Amends Constitution to allow new local taxes on sugar-sweetened drinks. Summary of estimate by Legislative Analyst and

Director of Finance of fiscal impact on state and local governments: **Increased state revenues starting in 2021-22. Annual revenues would be roughly \$2 billion to \$3 billion by 2022-23.**

The measure designates these revenues for health care; disease prevention; disease research; and access to fruit, vegetables, and water. (18-0004)