

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

AUTHORIZES STATE REGULATION OF KIDNEY DIALYSIS CLINICS.

ESTABLISHES MINIMUM STAFFING AND OTHER REQUIREMENTS. INITIATIVE

STATUTE. Requires at least one licensed physician on site during treatment at outpatient

kidney dialysis clinics; authorizes Department of Public Health to exempt clinics from this

requirement due to shortages of qualified licensed physicians if at least one nurse practitioner or

physician assistant is on site. Requires clinics to report dialysis-related infection data to state and

federal governments. Requires state approval for clinics to close or reduce services. Prohibits

clinics from discriminating against patients based on the source of payment for care. Summary

of estimate by Legislative Analyst and Director of Finance of fiscal impact on state and local

governments: **Increased state and local health care costs, likely in the low tens of millions of**

dollars annually, resulting from increased dialysis treatment costs. (19-0025A1.)