

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

REQUIRES VOTE ON WHETHER CALIFORNIA SHOULD BECOME A SEPARATE COUNTRY. INITIATIVE STATUTE. Places question of whether California should leave the United States on a future ballot. Treats result of such future vote as a vote of no confidence in the United States and an expression of the electorate's desire for California to be an independent country if: (1) 50 percent of registered voters participate in election; and (2) 55 percent of those voting approve. Creates commission to evaluate and report on California's current ability to govern itself independently, and California's future economic and political viability as an independent country. Summary of estimate by Legislative Analyst and Director of Finance of fiscal impact on state and local governments: **Around \$1 million in added state costs for a new state commission on national sovereignty and independence. Potential state and local election administration costs in the tens of millions of dollars to ask voters to respond to a question on independence. Unknown, potentially major, fiscal effects if California voters approved changes to the state's relationship with the United States at a future election after the approval of this measure.** (20-0001A1.)