

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

**REQUIRES PRE-LAWSUIT NOTICE AND LIMITS PLAINTIFFS' ATTORNEYS'  
CONTINGENCY FEES IN CONSUMER PROTECTION AND TORT CASES.**

**INITIATIVE STATUTE.** Requires plaintiffs to provide 60 days' notice and opportunity to settle before filing lawsuits for tort claims (for example, personal injury, product liability, negligence) or certain consumer-protection violations (for example, unfair competition, false advertising, warranty). Limits contingency fees that attorneys can charge prevailing plaintiffs in these cases to 20% of amount recovered. For specified consumer-protection claims, limits court-ordered attorneys' fee awards to 20% of amount recovered. Does not restrict fee arrangements for defendants' attorneys. Summary of estimate by Legislative Analyst and Director of Finance of fiscal impact on state and local governments: **Unknown net impact on state courts that would depend primarily on how attorneys, plaintiffs, and defendants respond to this measure, as well as how the measure is interpreted and implemented by the courts.**

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