

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

MODIFIES ENVIRONMENTAL REVIEW FOR CERTAIN PROJECTS. INITIATIVE

STATUTE. Amends California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) to expedite environmental review of specified project categories (including most housing, transportation, water, health, and clean energy projects). For these types of projects, this measure:

- sets deadlines for public agencies to complete environmental review and take required actions for project;
- allows expedited review of project's environmental impacts, limiting public agencies' current obligation to consider a range of feasible project alternatives to reduce environmental impacts; and
- limits court review of project approvals by establishing deadlines for filing and resolving lawsuits and limiting evidence court may consider and relief it can order.

Summary of estimate by Legislative Analyst and Director of Finance of fiscal impact on state and local governments: **State and local government implementation costs in the tens of millions of dollars annually for the first several years. Over the long term, the annual net fiscal effects are uncertain, but state and local governments likely would experience net savings due to reduced administrative and legal workload. Net fiscal effects on state trial courts ranging from annual savings of up to the tens of millions of dollars to annual costs of up to the low tens of millions of dollars.** (25-0023A1.)