

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

PROHIBITS NEW STATE LAWS THAT INTERFERE WITH RIGHT TO CONTRACT WITH AN ATTORNEY. INITIATIVE CONSTITUTIONAL AMENDMENT. Amends the California Constitution to prohibit new state laws that deny or interfere with a person's ability to contract with an attorney of their choice. States that another measure appearing on the same ballot that would limit attorney contingency-fee contracts shall be deemed to conflict with this measure. Applies only to laws enacted on or after January 1, 2026; does not limit courts' existing authority to regulate the practice of law or to prohibit illegal or excessive financial arrangements with attorneys. Summary of estimate by Legislative Analyst and Director of Finance of fiscal impact on state and local governments: **No direct fiscal effect on state or local government costs because the measure preserves existing laws and rules as of January 1, 2026 related to attorney contracts.** (25-0027A1.)