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

**CHANGES CONSTITUTIONAL DEFINITION OF A PERSON TO INCLUDE  
FERTILIZED HUMAN EGGS. INITIATIVE CONSTITUTIONAL AMENDMENT.**

Extends constitutional protections of due process and equal protection to all fertilized human eggs by redefining “person” as including each and every human organism from the commencement of biological development. Summary of estimate by Legislative Analyst and Director of Finance of fiscal impact on state and local government: Potential increased costs for courts, law enforcement, and other agencies for criminal and civil proceedings. Potential costs and savings for health and social services programs if the courts determined that the measure restricts access to some types of birth control methods. Potential loss of state or local revenues due to reduced research activity that may be offset by reduced state spending on research. Unknown potential effects on state and local health care expenditures due to changes that may occur in medical practices. (09-0043.)