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Initiative 09-0067

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

CALLS A LIMITED CONVENTION TO PROPOSE CHANGES TO STATE

CONSTITUTION. INITIATIVE STATUTE. Calls convention to propose changes to state

Constitution related to government, state spending and budgeting, elections and lobbying.

Provides that proposed changes to constitution or laws become effective only after approved by voters in statewide election. Forbids changes to taxes or fees, marriage, abortion, gambling, affirmative action, freedom of the press or religion, immigration rights, and the death penalty.

Establishes rules for selecting convention delegates to reflect a diverse range of citizens.

Requires selection of delegates and conduct of convention to be open and public. Summary of estimate by Legislative Analyst and Director of Finance of fiscal impact on state and local government: One-time increase of state government spending up to \$95 million to administer a constitutional convention. Potentially major changes in state and local governments if voters approve the convention's recommendations, including higher or lower revenues or greater or less spending on particular public programs. (09-0067.)