BALLOT TITLE AND SUMMARY

ESTABLISHES STATE REQUIREMENTS FOR KIDNEY DIALYSIS CLINICS. REQUIRES ON-SITE MEDICAL PROFESSIONAL. INITIATIVE STATUTE.

- Requires at least one licensed physician on site during treatment at outpatient kidney dialysis clinics; authorizes California Department of Public Health to exempt clinics from this requirement if there is a shortage of qualified licensed physicians and the clinic has at least one nurse practitioner or physician assistant on site.

- Requires clinics to report dialysis-related infection data to state and federal governments.

- Prohibits clinics from closing or reducing services without state approval.

- Prohibits clinics from refusing to treat patients based on the source of payment for care.

Summary of Legislative Analyst’s Estimate of Net State and Local Government Fiscal Impact:

- Increased state and local government costs likely in the low tens of millions of dollars annually.