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Bill Analysis

SB 1080 provides that all persons shall have a right to be able to speak confidentially to their legal counsel and receive confidential advice from that counsel. The measure states that it shall be a conflict of interest for a district attorney's office to investigate or prosecute any person or entity, or the employees, trustees, and agents of an entity, for whom the prosecutor's office has acted as legal counsel, whether that person or entity was acting in their official capacity or in their individual capacity. If the office becomes aware of any criminal activity, the office may inform the person or entity and ask if such a person or entity wishes to waive the conflict of interest, refer the matter to the Attorney General, or take no action. Any district attorney that violates this prohibition shall be subject to impeachment. The measure also provides that a special assistant district attorney appointed by the district attorney shall be deemed an agent of the district attorney's office.

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