

AMENDED IN ASSEMBLY APRIL 30, 2002

CALIFORNIA LEGISLATURE—2001–02 REGULAR SESSION

ASSEMBLY BILL

No. 2914

Introduced by Assembly Member Wiggins

February 25, 2002

An act to add Section 6068.5 to the Business and Professions Code, relating to attorneys.

LEGISLATIVE COUNSEL'S DIGEST

AB 2914, as amended, Wiggins. Attorneys: bankruptcy.

Existing law regulates the practice of law in this state and sets forth the duties of an attorney.

This bill would require any attorney engaged in the private practice of law in this state to disclose to a prospective client prior to undertaking a case on behalf of the client whether the attorney or the law firm or law corporation for which he or she works *is currently filing for bankruptcy or has filed for bankruptcy within the last 7 years*.

Vote: majority. Appropriation: no. Fiscal committee: no. State-mandated local program: no.

The people of the State of California do enact as follows:

- 1 SECTION 1. Section 6068.5 is added to the Business and
2 Professions Code, to read:
3 6068.5. Any attorney engaged in the private practice of law in
4 this state shall disclose to a prospective client prior to undertaking
5 a case on behalf of the client whether the attorney or the law firm

- 1 or law corporation for which he or she works *is currently filing for*
- 2 *bankruptcy or has filed for bankruptcy within the last seven years.*

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