

Senate Bill 799

Sponsored by Senator PROZANSKI

SUMMARY

The following summary is not prepared by the sponsors of the measure and is not a part of the body thereof subject to consideration by the Legislative Assembly. It is an editor's brief statement of the essential features of the measure **as introduced**.

Requires order of court to change attorney, or to terminate relationship of attorney and client, in action or proceeding.

Declares emergency, effective on passage.

A BILL FOR AN ACT

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2 Relating to attorney-client relationships; creating new provisions; amending ORS 9.380; and declar-
3 ing an emergency.

4 **Be It Enacted by the People of the State of Oregon:**

5 **SECTION 1.** ORS 9.380 is amended to read:

6 9.380. (1) The attorney in an action or proceeding may be changed, or the relationship of attor-
7 ney and client terminated, [*as follows:*]

8 [*(a) Before judgment or final determination, upon the consent of the attorney filed with the clerk*
9 *or entered in the appropriate record of the court; or]*

10 [*(b) at any time, upon the order of the court, based on the application of the client or the at-*
11 *torney, for good and sufficient cause.*

12 (2) The relationship of attorney and client may be terminated after the entry of a judgment or
13 other final determination in an action or proceeding by the filing of a notice of termination of the
14 relationship in the action or proceeding. The notice must be signed by the attorney and must state
15 that all services required of the attorney under the agreement between the attorney and the client
16 have been provided.

17 **SECTION 2.** **The amendments to ORS 9.380 by section 1 of this 2013 Act apply to appli-**
18 **cations to change attorneys, or to terminate the relationship of attorney and client, filed on**
19 **and after the effective date of this 2013 Act.**

20 **SECTION 3.** **This 2013 Act being necessary for the immediate preservation of the public**
21 **peace, health and safety, an emergency is declared to exist, and this 2013 Act takes effect**
22 **on its passage.**

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NOTE: Matter in **boldfaced** type in an amended section is new; matter [*italic and bracketed*] is existing law to be omitted. New sections are in **boldfaced** type.