



## Open Government Impact Statement

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## Measure: HB 4095

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### SUMMARY

Establishes privilege for communications with lawyer referral service.

### OPEN GOVERNMENT IMPACT

Legislative Counsel has not adopted standards for drafting measures that establish exemptions from disclosure of public records.

This measure makes communications with a lawyer referral service, for the purpose of hiring a lawyer, protected by attorney-client privilege. Documents protected by attorney-client privilege are generally exempt from public disclosure.

If this type of public record was instead subject to mandatory disclosure under public records law, requesters would be able to receive, via public records request, written communications between public bodies and lawyer referral services and records relating to referrals of potential clients to lawyers by a lawyer referral service conducted by a public body.