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### Introduction

The Board of Editors is pleased to introduce Legislative Notes. The Legislative Notes represent the *Journal's* continuing commitment to provide the legal community with timely analyses of significant developments in California statutory law. These Notes are intended to supplement the statutory analyses provided in the *Journal's* annual "Review of Selected California Legislation." Because of the time constraints associated with publishing the annual review each January, we are precluded from providing the level of analysis warranted by certain legislation. The Legislative Notes will take up where the annual review leaves off.

These Notes treat two general categories of legislation. The first category consists of legislation that enacts sweeping changes to an area of California law. Notes addressing this category focus on how and why the new legislation changes the law and discuss legal ramifications. The Notes on the Probate Code and Division 10 of the Commercial Code address this type of legislation. The second category consists of legislation that gives rise to significant social or legal questions. Notes addressing this category focus on the legislation's history and the potential challenges facing the legislation. The Note on the wiretapping provisions addresses this type of legislation.

We would like to express our appreciation to the *Journal's* Select Committee of Advisors for their assistance in improving the depth of our legislative analysis. We would also like to acknowledge the Board of Editors for Volume 19 for their effort in laying the initial groundwork for Legislative Notes. Finally, we wish to thank the Pacific Law Journal / Vol. 20

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