



General Assembly

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**Proposed Bill No. 5334**

LCO No. 139

Referred to Committee on Judiciary

Introduced by:

REP. REINOSO, 130th Dist.

***AN ACT CONCERNING THEFT OF CLIENTS' FUNDS BY ATTORNEYS.***

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Assembly convened:

- 1 That chapter 876 of the general statutes, concerning the regulation of
- 2 attorneys, be amended to require each attorney who acts as a fiduciary
- 3 or in a fiduciary capacity for a client to have first secured a fidelity
- 4 bond in an amount not less than one million dollars to protect such
- 5 client from a breach of such attorney's fiduciary duties.

***Statement of Purpose:***

To protect clients of attorneys from the misuse and theft of clients' funds by attorneys.