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CALIFORNIA LEGISLATURE—2001–02 REGULAR SESSION

**ASSEMBLY BILL**

**No. 270**

**Introduced by Assembly Member Correa**

February 16, 2001

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An act to amend Section 5000 of the Business and Professions Code, relating to professions.

LEGISLATIVE COUNSEL'S DIGEST

AB 270, as amended, Correa. Professions: membership of regulatory boards.

Existing law provides for the licensure and regulation of the practice of accountancy by the Board of Accountancy, consisting of 10 members.

This bill would increase the membership of the Board of Accountancy to ~~13~~ 11 and would revise the composition of that board.

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

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

1 SECTION 1. Section 5000 of the Business and Professions  
2 Code is amended to read:  
3 5000. There is in the Department of Consumer Affairs the  
4 California Board of Accountancy, which consists of ~~13~~ 11  
5 members, six of whom shall be certified public accountants, and

1 ~~seven~~ *five* of whom shall be public members who shall not be  
2 licentiates of the board or registered by the board. The board has  
3 the powers and duties conferred by this chapter.  
4 The Governor shall appoint ~~five~~ *three* of the public members,  
5 and the six certified public accountant members as provided in this  
6 section. The Senate Rules Committee and the Speaker of the  
7 Assembly shall each appoint a public member. In appointing the  
8 six certified public accountant members, the Governor shall  
9 appoint members representing a cross section of the accounting  
10 profession with at least two members representing a small public  
11 accounting firm. For the purposes of this chapter, a small public  
12 accounting firm shall be defined as a professional firm that  
13 employs a total of no more than four certified public accountants  
14 as partners, owners, or full-time employees in the practice of  
15 public accountancy within the State of California.  
16 This section shall become operative on July 1, 1997, and shall  
17 become inoperative on July 1, 2002, and as of January 1, 2003, is  
18 repealed, unless a later enacted statute, that becomes effective on  
19 or before January 1, 2003, deletes or extends the dates on which  
20 this section becomes inoperative and is repealed. The repeal of this  
21 section renders the board subject to the review required by  
22 Division 1.2 (commencing with Section 473).

