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# Memo

**To:** Rules Committee Members  
**From:** Michael Erke, Bill Referral Consultant  
**Date:** 7/28/2016  
**Re:** Consent Bill Referrals

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Since you received your preliminary list of bill referrals, ACR 195 has been added.



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AMENDED IN ASSEMBLY JUNE 14, 2016

AMENDED IN ASSEMBLY APRIL 11, 2016

CALIFORNIA LEGISLATURE—2015–16 REGULAR SESSION

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**Assembly Concurrent Resolution**

**No. 45**

**Introduced by Assembly Member Grove**

*(Coauthors: Assembly Members Chávez, Cooley, Dahle, Dodd, Beth Gaines, Gatto, Lackey, Mathis, Olsen, Patterson, Steinorth, Wagner, Waldron, and Wilk)*

*(Coauthors: Senators Bates and Leno)*

March 11, 2015

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Assembly Concurrent Resolution No. 45—Relative to the Ukrainian Famine of 1932–1933.

LEGISLATIVE COUNSEL’S DIGEST

ACR 45, as amended, Grove. Ukrainian Famine of 1932–1933.

This measure would remember and honor the millions of victims of the man-made Ukrainian Famine of 1932–1933, known as “Holodomor,” and their descendants who are living throughout California. The measure would also designate November 26, 2016, as Holodomor Remembrance Day.

Fiscal committee: no.

1 WHEREAS, The Ukrainian Famine of 1932–1933, known as  
2 “Holodomor,” was a man-made famine that caused the deaths of  
3 at least five million innocent men, women, and children in Ukraine,  
4 resulting in an annihilation of an estimated 25 percent of the rural  
5 population of that country, one of the most productive agricultural  
6 areas of the Soviet Union; and

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1 WHEREAS, This man-made famine also resulted in the deaths  
2 of an estimated one to two million people in regions outside  
3 Ukraine, mostly in the largely ethnic Ukrainian North Caucasus  
4 territory; and

5 WHEREAS, These millions of people were starved to death by  
6 forced agricultural collectivization and grain seizures by the Soviet  
7 Union; and

8 WHEREAS, Western observers and scholars who accurately  
9 reported on the existence of the famine as it was occurring were  
10 subjected to disparagement and criticism for their reporting; and

11 WHEREAS, The Soviet Union and many scholars in the West  
12 denied the existence of the famine until the collapse of the Soviet  
13 Union in 1991 when Soviet Union archives became accessible,  
14 thereby making the documentation of the premeditated nature of  
15 the famine and its harsh enforcement possible; and

16 WHEREAS, The final report of the U.S. Commission on the  
17 Ukraine Famine, established on December 13, 1985, concluded  
18 that the victims were “starved to death in a man-made ~~famine;~~”  
19 *famine*”; and

20 WHEREAS, Although the famine was one of the greatest losses  
21 of human life in the 20th century, its occurrence remains  
22 insufficiently known in the United States and throughout the world;  
23 and

24 WHEREAS, The official recognition of the famine by the  
25 government of Ukraine and the Verkhovna Rada of Ukraine  
26 represents a significant step in the reestablishment of Ukraine’s  
27 national identity and the advancement of efforts to establish a  
28 democratic and free Ukraine that is fully integrated into the  
29 Western community of nations; and

30 WHEREAS, Whether Ukrainian immigrants were fleeing  
31 political oppression or religious persecution to pursue better lives  
32 for themselves and their families, the desire to live in peace and  
33 enjoy liberty was so valued that it drew generations of Ukrainian  
34 immigrants to the United States and California in an effort to  
35 rebuild their lives; and

36 WHEREAS, California is now home to the third largest  
37 Ukrainian-American population in the United States, and  
38 Ukrainians living in California have enriched our state through  
39 their leadership and contributions in ~~business, agriculture,~~  
40 *agriculture, business*, academia, government, and the arts; and

1 WHEREAS, In August 2015, a memorial to the millions who  
2 perished in the Ukrainian Famine of 1932–1933, known as  
3 “Holodomor,” was erected in the United States capital, and the  
4 dedication ceremony took place on November 7, 2015; now,  
5 therefore, be it

6 *Resolved by the Assembly of the State of California, the Senate*  
7 *thereof concurring,* That the millions of victims of the man-made  
8 Ukrainian Famine of 1932–1933, known as “Holodomor,” and  
9 their descendants living throughout California should be solemnly  
10 remembered and honored; and be it further

11 *Resolved,* That the Legislature designates November 26, 2016,  
12 as Holodomor Remembrance Day in California and encourages  
13 individual citizens, educators, businesses, groups, organizations,  
14 and public institutions to observe Holodomor Remembrance Day  
15 with appropriate activities designed to honor the victims and  
16 educate Californians about this tragedy; and be it further

17 *Resolved,* That the Chief Clerk of the Assembly transmit copies  
18 of this resolution to the author for appropriate distribution.

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Date of Hearing: August 1, 2016

ASSEMBLY COMMITTEE ON RULES  
Richard S. Gordon, Chair  
ACR 45 (Grove) – As Amended June 14, 2016

**SUBJECT:** Ukrainian Famine of 1932–1933

**SUMMARY:** Designates November 26, 2016, as Holodomor Remembrance Day and honors the millions of victims of the man-made Ukrainian Famine of 1932-1933, known as "Holodomor," and their descendants who are living throughout California. Specifically, **this resolution** makes the following legislative findings:

- 1) The Ukrainian Famine of 1932-1933, known as "Holodomor," was a man-made famine that caused the deaths of at least five million innocent men, women, and children in Ukraine, resulting in an annihilation of an estimated 25 percent of the rural population of that country, one of the most productive agricultural areas of the Soviet Union.
- 2) This man-made famine also resulted in the deaths of an estimated one to two million people in regions outside Ukraine, mostly in the largely ethnic Ukrainian North Caucasus territory.
- 3) These millions of people were starved to death by forced agricultural collectivization and grain seizures by the Soviet Union.
- 4) The Soviet Union and many scholars in the West denied the existence of the famine until the collapse of the Soviet Union in 1991 when Soviet Union archives became accessible, thereby making the documentation of the premeditated nature of the famine and its harsh enforcement possible.
- 5) The official recognition of the famine by the government of Ukraine and the Verkhovna Rada of Ukraine represents a significant step in the reestablishment of Ukraine's national identity and the advancement of efforts to establish a democratic and free Ukraine that is fully integrated into the Western community of nations.
- 6) California is now home to the third largest Ukrainian-American population in the United States, and Ukrainians living in California have enriched our state through their leadership and contributions in agriculture, business, academia, government, and the arts.
- 7) In August 2015, a memorial to the millions who perished in the Ukrainian Famine of 1932-1933, known as "Holodomor," was erected in the United States capitol, and the dedication ceremony took place on November 7, 2015.

**FISCAL EFFECT:** None

**REGISTERED SUPPORT / OPPOSITION:**

**Support**

None on file

**Opposition**

None on file

**Analysis Prepared by:** Nicole Willis / RLS. / (916) 319-2800

AMENDED IN ASSEMBLY AUGUST 11, 2016

AMENDED IN ASSEMBLY JUNE 16, 2016

CALIFORNIA LEGISLATURE—2015–16 REGULAR SESSION

**Assembly Concurrent Resolution**

**No. 185**

**Introduced by Assembly Member Linder**

*(Coauthors: Assembly Members Achadjian, Travis Allen, Arambula, Atkins, Baker, Bigelow, Bloom, Bonta, Brough, Brown, Burke, Calderon, Campos, Chang, Chau, Chiu, Chu, Cooley, Cooper, Dababneh, Dahle, Daly, Dodd, Eggman, Beth Gaines, Gallagher, Eduardo Garcia, Gatto, Gipson, Gomez, Gonzalez, Gray, Grove, Hadley, Harper, Irwin, Jones-Sawyer, Kim, Lackey, Levine, Lopez, Maienschein, Mathis, Mayes, McCarty, Medina, Melendez, Mullin, Nazarian, Obernolte, O'Donnell, Olsen, Patterson, Quirk, Rendon, Rodriguez, Santiago, Steinorth, Wagner, Waldron, Weber, Wilk, Williams, and Wood)*

May 11, 2016

Assembly Concurrent Resolution No. 185—Relative to Concrete Pipe Week.

LEGISLATIVE COUNSEL'S DIGEST

ACR 185, as amended, Linder. Concrete Pipe Week.

This measure would proclaim August 8, 2016, to August 12, 2016, inclusive, as Concrete Pipe Week.

Fiscal committee: no.

- 1 WHEREAS, Reinforced concrete pipe and precast are of vital
- 2 importance to sustainable communities and to the health, safety,
- 3 and well-being of the people of California; and

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1 WHEREAS, Reinforced concrete pipe and precast products and  
2 services could not be provided without the dedicated efforts of the  
3 concrete pipe and precast industry manufacturers, professionals,  
4 engineers, managers, and employees who together are responsible  
5 for and must design, manufacture, distribute, educate, and supply  
6 concrete pipe and precast to public and private owners who in turn  
7 build, design, and maintain transportation infrastructure, water  
8 supply, water treatment systems, solid waste systems, and other  
9 structures and facilities essential to modern society; and

10 WHEREAS, It is in the public interest for the residents, civic  
11 leaders, and children of California to gain knowledge and maintain  
12 a progressive interest and understanding of the importance of the  
13 reinforced concrete pipe industry to every community throughout  
14 California and across the United States; and

15 WHEREAS, The 11 precast concrete pipe plants in California  
16 employ over 2,000 employees and provide over 32 million dollars  
17 annually in tax revenues to the state, and have helped develop  
18 various projects, including the San Francisco 49ers' Levi's  
19 Stadium, the Sonoma-Marín Area Rail Transit Drainage, and the  
20 Caltrans I-10 Emergency Bridge Replacement; now, therefore, be  
21 it

22 *Resolved by the Assembly of the State of California, the Senate*  
23 *thereof concurring,* That in recognition of the substantial  
24 contributions the reinforced concrete pipe and precast industry has  
25 made and continues to make to the public health, safety, welfare,  
26 and quality of life in California, the week of August 8, 2016, to  
27 August 12, 2016, inclusive, shall be proclaimed Concrete Pipe  
28 Week; and be it further

29 *Resolved,* That the Chief Clerk of the Assembly transmit copies  
30 of this resolution to the author for appropriate distribution.

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Date of Hearing: August 1, 2016

ASSEMBLY COMMITTEE ON RULES  
Richard S. Gordon, Chair  
ACR 185 (Linder) – As Amended June 16, 2016

**SUBJECT:** Concrete Pipe Week

**SUMMARY:** Proclaims August 8, 2016, to August 12, 2016, inclusive, as Concrete Pipe Week. Specifically, **this resolution** makes the following legislative findings:

- 1) Reinforced concrete pipe and precast are of vital importance to sustainable communities and to the health, safety, and well-being of the people of California.
- 2) Reinforced concrete pipe and precast products and services could not be provided without the dedicated efforts of the concrete pipe and precast industry manufacturers, professionals, engineers, managers, and employees who together are responsible for and must design, manufacture, distribute, educate, and supply concrete pipe and precast to public and private owners who in turn build, design, and maintain transportation infrastructure, water supply, water treatment systems, solid waste systems, and other structures and facilities essential to modern society.
- 3) The 11 precast concrete pipe plants in California employ over 2,000 employees and provide over 32 million dollars annually in tax revenues to the state, and have helped develop various projects, including the San Francisco 49ers' Levi's Stadium, the Sonoma-Marín Area Rail Transit Drainage, and the Caltrans I-10 Emergency Bridge Replacement.
- 4) It is in the public interest for the residents, civic leaders, and children of California to gain knowledge and maintain a progressive interest and understanding of the importance of the reinforced concrete pipe industry to every community throughout California and across the United States.

**FISCAL EFFECT:** None

**REGISTERED SUPPORT / OPPOSITION:**

**Support**

None on file

**Opposition**

None on file

**Analysis Prepared by:** Nicole Willis / RLS. / (916) 319-2800

AMENDED IN ASSEMBLY AUGUST 8, 2016

CALIFORNIA LEGISLATURE—2015–16 REGULAR SESSION

**Assembly Concurrent Resolution**

**No. 196**

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**Introduced by Assembly Members Steinorth and Gipson**

*(Coauthors: Assembly Members Achadjian, Alejo, Travis Allen, Atkins, Baker, Bigelow, Bloom, Bonta, Brough, Brown, Burke, Calderon, Campos, Chau, Chávez, Chiu, Chu, Cooley, Dababneh, Daly, Dodd, Eggman, Frazier, Beth Gaines, Gallagher, Cristina Garcia, Eduardo Garcia, Gatto, Gomez, Gonzalez, Gordon, Grove, Hadley, Harper, Holden, Irwin, Jones, Jones-Sawyer, Kim, Lackey, Levine, Linder, Lopez, Low, Maienschein, Mathis, Mayes, Medina, Melendez, Mullin, Obernolte, O'Donnell, Olsen, Patterson, Quirk, Rendon, Rodriguez, Salas, Thurmond, Ting, Wagner, Waldron, Weber, Wilk, Williams, and Wood)*

June 15, 2016

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Assembly Concurrent Resolution No. 196—Relative to California Manufacturing Day.

LEGISLATIVE COUNSEL'S DIGEST

ACR 196, as amended, Steinorth. California Manufacturing Day.

This measure would declare Friday, October 7, 2016, as California Manufacturing Day.

Fiscal committee: no.

- 1 WHEREAS, The first Friday in October is designated as
- 2 National Manufacturing Day and was created as an opportunity
- 3 to recognize and celebrate the contributions of manufacturing in
- 4 the United States; and

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1 WHEREAS, On October 7, 2016, California will join the nation  
2 and celebrate California Manufacturing Day, during which many  
3 of the state’s manufacturers will open their doors to the public to  
4 showcase their operations and promote interest in the  
5 manufacturing sector as a quality career; and

6 WHEREAS, Also on that day, many California manufacturing  
7 training facilities and community colleges will highlight their  
8 career technical education classrooms, equipment, students, and  
9 instructors; and

10 WHEREAS, Many of the nation’s most innovative, productive,  
11 and energy efficient manufacturers have research labs, assembly  
12 plants, and administration operations in California; and

13 WHEREAS, California manufacturing represents 12 percent of  
14 the national manufacturing gross domestic product (GDP) and 10  
15 percent of the national manufacturing job base; and

16 WHEREAS, California’s manufacturing sector is dynamic and  
17 diverse and includes industries such as aerospace, beverages,  
18 building materials, cement, consumer goods, energy and oil  
19 production, food processing, glass, information technology, mining,  
20 plastics, paper, pulp, and steel; and

21 WHEREAS, California manufacturers employ more than 1.3  
22 million workers in the state with high-wage, middle-class jobs  
23 where the average salary exceeds \$77,000 annually; and

24 WHEREAS, California manufacturers generate more than \$250  
25 billion in annual economic activity that leads to tremendous  
26 multiplier benefits throughout the economy; and

27 WHEREAS, Governor Edmund G. Brown Jr. and the Legislature  
28 recognized the importance of attracting new manufacturing  
29 investments to California in 2013 with the enactment of a partial  
30 sales and use tax exemption for purchases of manufacturing  
31 equipment leading to measurable job growth; and

32 WHEREAS, Working together with educators and workforce  
33 development partners, California manufacturers will continue to  
34 address the middle skills job shortage to build the next generation  
35 of skilled industrial employees equipped to respond to the demands  
36 of a global economy; and

37 WHEREAS, The nonpartisan nonprofit group Next 10 found  
38 in a report titled “2015 California Green Innovation Index” that  
39 California’s economy is the second least carbon-intensive economy  
40 in the world and produces 64 percent greater GDP for every unit

1 of energy consumed compared with the United States as a whole;  
2 and

3 WHEREAS, California manufacturers continue to push the  
4 bounds of clean and green technologies that reduce emissions and  
5 increase energy efficiency in products and processes; and

6 WHEREAS, California's clean and energy efficient  
7 manufacturing industry maintains and supports the long-term  
8 overall health of the state's economy and stands ready to help  
9 increase opportunities for high-wage employment that will expand  
10 access to the middle class for all Californians; now, therefore, be  
11 it

12 *Resolved by the Assembly of the State of California, the Senate*  
13 *thereof concurring*, That the Legislature declares Friday, October  
14 7, 2016, as California Manufacturing Day; and be it further

15 *Resolved*, That the Chief Clerk of the Assembly transmit copies  
16 of this resolution to the author for appropriate distribution.

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Date of Hearing: August 1, 2016

ASSEMBLY COMMITTEE ON RULES  
Richard S. Gordon, Chair  
ACR 196 (Steinorth) – As Introduced June 15, 2016

**SUBJECT:** California Manufacturing Day

**SUMMARY:** Declares Friday, October 7, 2016, as California Manufacturing Day. Specifically, **this resolution** makes the following legislative findings:

- 1) The first Friday in October is designated as National Manufacturing Day and was created as an opportunity to recognize and celebrate the contributions of manufacturing in the United States.
- 2) On October 7, 2016, many California manufacturers will open their doors to the public to showcase their operations and promote interest in the manufacturing sector as a quality career; also California manufacturing training facilities and community colleges will highlight their career technical education classrooms, equipment, students, and instructors.
- 3) California's manufacturing sector employs more than 1.3 million workers and is dynamic and diverse, and includes industries such as aerospace, beverages, building materials, cement, consumer goods, energy, and oil production, food processing, glass, information technology, mining, plastics, paper, pulp, and steel.
- 4) Working together with educators and workforce development partners, California manufacturers will continue to address the middle skills job shortage to build the next generation of skilled industrial employees equipped to respond to the demands of a global economy.
- 5) California's clean and energy efficient manufacturing industry maintains and supports the long-term overall health of the state's economy and stands ready to help increase opportunities for high-wage employment that will expand access to the middle class for all Californians.

**FISCAL EFFECT:** None

**REGISTERED SUPPORT / OPPOSITION:**

**Support**

None on file

**Opposition**

None on file

**Analysis Prepared by:** Nicole Willis / RLS. / (916) 319-2800

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## Senate Concurrent Resolution No. 138

### RESOLUTION CHAPTER 100

Senate Concurrent Resolution No. 138—Relative to state park rangers.

[Filed with Secretary of State August 10, 2016.]

#### LEGISLATIVE COUNSEL'S DIGEST

SCR 138, Nielsen. State park rangers.

This measure would recognize 2016 as the 150-year anniversary of public service and protection of state parks by state park rangers and would encourage the Department of Parks and Recreation, the California State Park Rangers Association, and the California State Parks Anniversary Committee to take all appropriate action to celebrate that anniversary.

WHEREAS, Galen Clark was appointed “Guardian” of Yosemite State Park in 1866, at California’s first state park, Yosemite, established in 1866 by federal legislation signed by President Abraham Lincoln; and

WHEREAS, State park rangers, whose titles have variously been “ranger,” “guardian,” “warden,” “custodian,” or “superintendent,” have continuously served the public and protected the state parks since that first appointment; and

WHEREAS, 2016 will mark the 150-year anniversary of service to the public and protection of state parks by state park rangers; and

WHEREAS, The Department of Parks and Recreation, the California State Park Rangers Association, the California State Parks Anniversary Committee, and the State Park and Recreation Commission have formally recognized and are supporting the celebration of the 150-year anniversary; now, therefore, be it

*Resolved by the Senate of the State of California, the Assembly thereof concurring,* That the Legislature recognizes and commends state park rangers for their long and faithful service to the public and protection of state parks; and be it further

*Resolved,* That 2016 is recognized as the 150-year anniversary of public service and protection of state parks by state park rangers; and be it further

*Resolved,* That the Department of Parks and Recreation, the California State Park Rangers Association, and the California State Parks Anniversary Committee are encouraged to take all appropriate action to celebrate the 150-year anniversary; and be it further

*Resolved,* That the Secretary of the Senate transmit copies of this resolution to the author for appropriate distribution.

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Date of Hearing: August 1, 2016

ASSEMBLY COMMITTEE ON RULES  
Richard S. Gordon, Chair  
SCR 138 (Nielsen) – As Introduced May 5, 2016

**SENATE VOTE:** 32-0

**SUBJECT:** State park rangers

**SUMMARY:** Recognizes 2016 as the 150-year anniversary of public service and protection of state parks by state park rangers. Specifically, **this resolution** makes the following legislative findings:

- 1) Galen Clark was appointed “Guardian” of Yosemite State Park in 1866, at California’s first state park, Yosemite, established in 1866 by federal legislation signed by President Abraham Lincoln.
- 2) State park rangers, whose titles have variously been “ranger,” “guardian,” “warden,” “custodian,” or “superintendent,” have continuously served the public and protected the state parks since that first appointment.
- 3) 2016 will mark the 150-year anniversary of service to the public and protection of state parks by state park rangers.
- 4) The Department of Parks and Recreation, the California State Park Rangers Association, the California State Parks Anniversary Committee, and the State Park and Recreation Commission have formally recognized and are supporting the celebration of the 150-year anniversary.

**FISCAL EFFECT:** None

**REGISTERED SUPPORT / OPPOSITION:**

**Support**

None on file

**Opposition**

None on file

**Analysis Prepared by:** Nicole Willis / RLS. / (916) 319-2800



# California State Park Rangers Association

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July 13, 2016

The Honorable Richard S. Gordon  
California State Capitol  
P.O. Box 942849  
Sacramento, CA 94249-0024

**Subject: Senate Concurrent Resolution 138 (Nielsen) – Support**

Assemblyman Gordon:

I am writing on behalf of the California State Park Rangers Association (CSPRA), a proud sponsor of Senate Concurrent Resolution 138, which would recognize and commend California State Park Rangers for their 150 years of continued public service and protection of state parks and would encourage the Department of Parks and Recreation and specified associations to take appropriate action to celebrate the 150 year anniversary.

State Park Rangers are fully sworn Peace Officers who perform a wide variety of law enforcement activities. Duties include interpretation of natural, historic and cultural resources, resource protection, park management, and patrol. They balance additional roles of visitor assistance, public education and interpretation, and park resources protection and management.

For the above reasons, the CSPRA is pleased to support SCR 138 (Nielsen).

Sincerely,

Mike Lynch  
Director, California State Park Rangers Association (CSPRA)

CC: The Honorable Jim Nielsen  
California State Senate  
State Capitol, Room 2068  
Sacramento, CA 95814

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## Senate Concurrent Resolution No. 148

### RESOLUTION CHAPTER 101

Senate Concurrent Resolution No. 148—Relative to Crosswalk Safety Awareness Month.

[Filed with Secretary of State August 10, 2016.]

#### LEGISLATIVE COUNSEL'S DIGEST

SCR 148, Bates. Crosswalk Safety Awareness Month.

This measure would designate October as Crosswalk Safety Awareness Month.

WHEREAS, The State of California has in the past initiated statewide programs designed to promote safety through education and training; and

WHEREAS, The Legislature desires to reinforce and emphasize crosswalk safety for students and child safety on public roads by dedicating a month to crosswalk safety awareness; and

WHEREAS, It is incumbent on all drivers to pay focused attention to the well-being of everyone using a crosswalk; and

WHEREAS, Children and adults are encouraged to walk in crosswalks when crossing the street and to observe crosswalk rules, including to look before entering, walk not run, not text or wear headsets, and stay alert as to oncoming traffic; and

WHEREAS, The state has adopted the concept of “complete streets” in roadway design to promote other modes of traffic, including walking and bicycling; and

WHEREAS, So that the lives of all those lost in crosswalks are remembered, in particular the three children who lost their lives on Halloween night 2014; and

WHEREAS, Californians should feel safe and protected any time they walk and need to cross roadways; now, therefore, be it

*Resolved by the Senate of the State of California, the Assembly thereof concurring,* That the Legislature proclaims that the month of October be designated as Crosswalk Safety Awareness Month in California; and be it further

*Resolved,* That the Secretary of the Senate transmit copies of this resolution to the author for appropriate distribution.

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Date of Hearing: August 1, 2016

ASSEMBLY COMMITTEE ON RULES  
Richard S. Gordon, Chair  
SCR 148 (Bates) – As Introduced June 2, 2016

**SENATE VOTE:** 35-0

**SUBJECT:** Crosswalk Safety Awareness Month

**SUMMARY:** Designates October as Crosswalk Safety Awareness Month. Specifically, **this resolution** makes the following legislative findings:

- 1) Californians should feel safe and protected any time they walk and need to cross roadways. It is incumbent on all drivers to pay focused attention to the well-being of everyone using a crosswalk.
- 2) Children and adults are encouraged to walk in crosswalks when crossing the street and to observe crosswalk rules, including looking before entering, walk not run, not text or wear headsets, and stay alert as to oncoming traffic.
- 3) The state has adopted the concept of “complete streets” in roadway design to promote other modes of traffic, including walking and bicycling, so that the lives of all those lost in crosswalks are remembered, in particular the three children who lost their lives on Halloween night 2014.

**FISCAL EFFECT:** None

**REGISTERED SUPPORT / OPPOSITION:**

**Support**

None on file

**Opposition**

None on file

**Analysis Prepared by:** Nicole Willis / RLS. / (916) 319-2800

**House Resolution**

**No. 59**

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**Introduced by Assembly Member Quirk**

*(Coauthors: Assembly Members Achadjian, Alejo, Arambula, Atkins, Baker, Bigelow, Bloom, Bonilla, Bonta, Brown, Burke, Calderon, Chang, Chau, Chávez, Chiu, Chu, Cooley, Cooper, Daly, Dodd, Eggman, Frazier, Gallagher, Cristina Garcia, Eduardo Garcia, Gatto, Gipson, Gomez, Gonzalez, Gray, Hadley, Holden, Irwin, Jones-Sawyer, Kim, Lackey, Levine, Lopez, Low, Maienschein, Mathis, Mayes, McCarty, Medina, Mullin, Nazarian, Obernolte, O'Donnell, Rendon, Ridley-Thomas, Rodriguez, Salas, Santiago, Mark Stone, Thurmond, Ting, Weber, Wilk, Williams, and Wood)*

June 30, 2016

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House Resolution No. 59—Relative to Muslim Appreciation and Awareness Month.

1     WHEREAS, Freedom of religion holds distinction as a cherished  
2 right and a foundational value upon which the laws and ethics of  
3 the United States are based; and  
4     WHEREAS, Enriched by the unparalleled diversity of its  
5 residents, the State of California takes great pride in supporting  
6 individual religious freedoms and is strengthened by the many  
7 varied religious, political, and cultural traditions of its diverse  
8 population, including those Americans who practice Islam; and  
9     WHEREAS, The history of Islam in this country dates back to  
10 before its founding, originating with African slaves who brought  
11 their Muslim beliefs with them to the Americas and who later  
12 contributed in numerous ways to the founding of the nation, and

1 there are today millions of Muslim Americans, both immigrant  
2 and native-born, of diverse backgrounds and beliefs; and

3 WHEREAS, The United States benefits greatly from the  
4 expertise, patriotism, and humanitarianism of Muslim Americans,  
5 who represent 10 percent of America’s physicians, helping to heal  
6 hundreds of thousands of Americans each year; who have long  
7 distinguished themselves as courageous and dedicated members  
8 of the United States Armed Forces, fighting and sacrificing in  
9 every major war from the American Revolutionary War to  
10 present-day conflicts; and who regularly contribute to the health  
11 and vitality of their communities, giving food to the hungry,  
12 sheltering the needy, and providing inexpensive or free health  
13 services, among other community services; and

14 WHEREAS, The earliest Muslim immigrants to California  
15 mostly worked on farms and made significant contributions to  
16 early agricultural efforts, and since the abolition of the national  
17 quota on immigration in 1965 by the passage of the Hart-Celler  
18 Act, more and more Muslims have migrated to California, with  
19 approximately one million Muslim Americans currently residing  
20 in communities throughout the state, the highest number in the  
21 United States; and

22 WHEREAS, Similarly, there are currently more than 240  
23 mosques in California, more than any other state in the nation, and  
24 the people of California and the greater United States benefit from  
25 the several large Muslim religious, educational, charitable,  
26 advocacy, and empowerment organizations that operate within the  
27 state, as well as from the countless prominent Muslim community  
28 leaders who distinguish themselves professionally as business  
29 owners, law professionals, doctors, engineers, teachers, and  
30 farmers, among numerous other valued professions; and

31 WHEREAS, Although the majority of Muslim Americans within  
32 California and throughout the nation strive to promote peace and  
33 understanding between all faiths, identities, and nationalities while  
34 upholding those values and principles that define the American  
35 people, they have nonetheless been forced to endure harassment,  
36 assault, and discrimination since the terrorist attack on September  
37 11, 2001, and during the year 2015 alone, there were approximately  
38 174 reported incidents of anti-Muslim violence and vandalism in  
39 the United States. It is therefore appropriate to acknowledge and  
40 promote awareness of the myriad invaluable contributions of

1 Muslim Americans in California and across the country, and extend  
2 to them the respect and camaraderie every American deserves;  
3 now, therefore, be it

4 *Resolved by the Assembly of the State of California, That the*  
5 *Assembly joins communities throughout the State of California*  
6 *in recognizing the month of August 2016 as Muslim Appreciation*  
7 *and Awareness Month, respectfully acknowledges the rich history*  
8 *and guiding virtues of Muslim Americans, and commends Muslim*  
9 *communities in California for the lasting positive impact they have*  
10 *made, and continue to make, toward the advancement of the state*  
11 *and the nation; and be it further*

12 *Resolved, That the Chief Clerk of the Assembly transmit copies*  
13 *of this resolution to the author for appropriate distribution.*

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Date of Hearing: August 1, 2016

ASSEMBLY COMMITTEE ON RULES  
Richard S. Gordon, Chair  
HR 59 (Quirk) – As Introduced June 30, 2016

**SUBJECT:** Muslim Appreciation and Awareness Month

**SUMMARY:** Recognizes the month of August 2016 as Muslim Appreciation and Awareness Month and acknowledges the rich history and guiding virtues of Muslim Americans, and commends Muslim communities in California for the lasting positive impact they have made toward the advancement of the state and the nation. Specifically, **this resolution** makes the following legislative findings:

- 1) Freedom of religion holds distinction as a cherished right and a foundational value upon which the laws and ethics of the United States are based.
- 2) Enriched by the unparalleled diversity of its residents, the State of California takes great pride in supporting individual religious freedoms and is strengthened by the many varied religious, political, and cultural traditions of its diverse population, including those Americans who practice Islam.
- 3) The United States benefits greatly from the expertise, patriotism, and humanitarianism of Muslim Americans, who represent 10 percent of America's physicians, helping to heal hundreds of thousands of Americans each year; who have long distinguished themselves as courageous and dedicated members of the United States Armed Forces, fighting and sacrificing in every major war from the American Revolutionary War to present-day conflicts; and who regularly contribute to the health and vitality of their communities.
- 4) The earliest Muslim immigrants to California mostly worked on farms and made significant contributions to early agricultural efforts, and since the abolition of the national quota on immigration in 1965 by the passage of the Hart-Cellar Act, more and more Muslims have migrated to California, with approximately one million Muslim Americans currently residing in communities throughout the state, the highest number in the United States.
- 5) There are currently more than 240 mosques in California, more than any other state in the nation, and the people of California and the greater United States benefit from the several large Muslim religious, educational, charitable, advocacy, and empowerment organizations that operate within the state, as well as from the countless prominent Muslim community leaders who distinguish themselves professionally as business owners, law professionals, doctors, engineers, teachers, and farmers, among numerous other valued professions.
- 6) Although the majority of Muslim Americans within California and throughout the nation strive to promote peace and understanding between all faiths, identities, and nationalities while upholding those values and principles that define the American people, they have nonetheless been forced to endure harassment, assault, and discrimination since the terrorist attack on September 11, 2001, and during the year 2015 alone, there were approximately 174 reported incidents of anti-Muslim violence and vandalism in the United States.

**FISCAL EFFECT:** None

**REGISTERED SUPPORT / OPPOSITION:**

**Support**

None on file

**Opposition**

None on file

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AMENDED IN ASSEMBLY AUGUST 11, 2016

AMENDED IN ASSEMBLY AUGUST 1, 2016

AMENDED IN SENATE APRIL 27, 2016

**SENATE BILL**

**No. 1112**

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**Introduced by Senator Cannella**

February 17, 2016

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An act to add Section 853.2 to the Public Utilities Code, relating to ~~utilities~~; *utilities, and declaring the urgency thereof, to take effect immediately.*

LEGISLATIVE COUNSEL'S DIGEST

SB 1112, as amended, Cannella. Utilities: water and sewer systems corporations: transactions.

The Public Utilities Act prohibits, with certain exemptions, any public utility other than a common carrier by railroad, from selling, leasing, assigning, mortgaging, or otherwise disposing of or encumbering the whole or any part of specified property necessary or useful in the performance of the public utility's duties to the public, among other things, without first having either secured an order from the Public Utilities Commission authorizing it to do so for qualified transactions valued above \$5,000,000, or for qualified transactions valued at \$5,000,000 or less, having filed an advice letter and obtained approval from the commission authorizing it to do so. Under existing law, every sale, lease, assignment, mortgage, disposition, encumbrance, merger, or consolidation made other than in accordance with the advice letter and approval from the commission authorizing it is void.

Existing law requires the commission, before authorizing the merger, acquisition, or change in control of an electric, gas, or telephone utility

when one of the parties has revenues in excess of a specified amount, to consider, among other things, whether the proposal provides short-term and long-term economic benefits to ratepayers and equitably allocates the short-term and long-term forecasted economic benefits of the proposed merger, acquisition, or change in control, as determined by the commission, between shareholders and ratepayers, if the commission has ratemaking authority. Under existing law, any merger, acquisition, or change in control without that prior authorization is void.

This bill would provide that if a water or sewer system corporation or an entity merging with or acquiring control of a water or sewer system corporation with less than 2,000 service connections fails to receive the commission’s approval before entering into any of the specified transactions valued at \$5,000,000 or less, the transaction is voidable by the commission until the commission either retroactively approves or conditionally approves the transaction. The bill would authorize the commission to delegate this approval authority to a specified division director.

*This bill would declare that it is to take effect immediately as an urgency statute.*

Vote: ~~majority~~<sup>2/3</sup>. 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 853.2 is added to the Public Utilities
- 2 Code, to read:
- 3 853.2. For a water or sewer system corporation or an entity
- 4 merging with or acquiring control of a water or sewer system
- 5 corporation with less than 2,000 service connections, the following
- 6 shall apply to transactions valued at five million dollars
- 7 (\$5,000,000) or less, notwithstanding Sections 851 and 854:
- 8 (a) (1) A water or sewer system corporation or an entity merging
- 9 with or acquiring control of a water or sewer system corporation
- 10 shall receive the commission’s approval before entering into a
- 11 transaction that would otherwise be subject to Section 851 or 854.
- 12 (2) If a water or sewer system corporation or an entity merging
- 13 with or acquiring control of a water or sewer system corporation
- 14 fails to receive the commission’s approval pursuant to paragraph
- 15 (1), the transaction is voidable by the commission until the
- 16 commission does either of the following:

1 (A) Retroactively approves the transaction upon a determination  
2 that the transaction is in the best interests of both the corporation  
3 and its ratepayers.

4 (B) Conditionally approves the transaction, subject to the  
5 fulfillment of specified conditions that would ensure that the  
6 transaction is in the best interests of both the corporation and its  
7 ratepayers.

8 (b) The commission may delegate the authority to make the  
9 determinations described in subdivision (a) to the director of the  
10 division that investigates water and sewer system service quality  
11 issues and analyzes and processes utility rate change requests.

12 *SEC. 2. This act is an urgency statute necessary for the*  
13 *immediate preservation of the public peace, health, or safety within*  
14 *the meaning of Article IV of the Constitution and shall go into*  
15 *immediate effect. The facts constituting the necessity are:*

16 *In order to ensure the safety of water and sewer systems, thereby*  
17 *protecting the public health, it is necessary that this act take effect*  
18 *immediately.*

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June 30, 2016

Assemblymember Rich Gordon, Chair  
Assembly Committee on Rules  
State Capitol, Room 3016  
Sacramento, CA 95814

Dear Assemblymember Gordon,

I respectfully request that an urgency clause be added to SB 1112 relative to water corporation transactions. I was just made aware of a water utility ownership dispute at the CPUC that would benefit from expedited passage of this bill. For this reason, I request that the bill go into effect prior to the normal January 1 effective date.

I appreciate your consideration of this request. Should you have any questions please contact Baltazar Cornejo at (916) 651-4012.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "Anthony Cannella".

Anthony Cannella  
Senator, 12<sup>th</sup> district

cc: Assemblymember Ling Ling Chang, Vice Chair

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