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Memo

To: Rules Committee Members
From: Mukhtar Ali, Bill Referral Consultant
Date: 4/18/14
Re: Consent Bill Referrals

Since you received the preliminary there have been no changes.



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Memo

To: Rules Committee Members
From: Mukhtar Ali, Bill Referral Consultant
Date: 4/18/14
Re: Consent Bill Re-referrals

Since you received the preliminary there have been no changes.



Assembly Concurrent Resolution

No. 132

Introduced by Assembly Member Eggman

April 7, 2014

Assembly Concurrent Resolution No. 132—Relative to West Nile Virus and Mosquito and Vector Control Awareness Week.

LEGISLATIVE COUNSEL'S DIGEST

ACR 132, as introduced, Eggman. West Nile Virus and Mosquito and Vector Control Awareness Week.

This measure would declare the week of April 20, 2014, through April 26, 2014, as West Nile Virus and Mosquito and Vector Control Awareness Week.

Fiscal committee: no.

- 1 WHEREAS, West Nile virus is a mosquito-borne disease that
2 can result in debilitating cases of meningitis and encephalitis and
3 death to humans, horses, avian species, and other wildlife; and
4 WHEREAS, In 2013, West Nile virus resulted in 14 human
5 deaths in California and over 372 individuals in 31 counties tested
6 positive for the virus, of which over 240 developed neuroinvasive
7 disease; and
8 WHEREAS, The State Department of Public Health and the
9 federal Centers for Disease Control and Prevention predict West
10 Nile virus will again pose a public health threat in California in
11 2014; and
12 WHEREAS, Adequately funded mosquito and vector control,
13 disease surveillance, and public awareness programs, coupled with
14 best management practices on public and private lands, are the

1 best ways to prevent outbreaks of West Nile virus and other
2 diseases borne by mosquitoes and other vectors; and

3 WHEREAS, Mosquitoes and other vectors, including, but not
4 limited to, ticks, Africanized honeybees, rats, fleas, and flies,
5 continue to be a source of human suffering, illness, and death, and
6 a public nuisance in California and around the world; and

7 WHEREAS, Excess numbers of mosquitoes and other vectors
8 spread diseases, reduce enjoyment of both public and private
9 outdoor living spaces, reduce property values, hinder outdoor work,
10 reduce livestock productivity, and have a negative impact on the
11 environment; and

12 WHEREAS, Professional mosquito and vector control based
13 on scientific research has made great advances in safely reducing
14 mosquito and vector populations and the diseases they transmit;
15 and

16 WHEREAS, Established mosquito- and vector-borne diseases
17 such as plague, Lyme disease, flea-borne typhus, and encephalitis,
18 and new and emerging vector-borne diseases such as hantavirus,
19 arenavirus, babesiosis, and ehrlichiosis cause illness and sometimes
20 death every year in California; and

21 WHEREAS, Two invasive mosquito species in California, *Aedes*
22 *albopictus*, the Asian tiger mosquito, which was detected in
23 southern California in 2011, and *Aedes aegypti*, the yellow fever
24 mosquito, which was detected in central and northern California
25 in 2013, are posing new public health threats due to their capability
26 to transmit potentially deadly or debilitating diseases, such as
27 dengue, yellow fever, and chikungunya, diseases that are not
28 currently transmitted in California, as well as other
29 encephalitis-causing viruses; and

30 WHEREAS, Mosquito and vector control districts throughout
31 the State of California work closely with the United States
32 Environmental Protection Agency and the State Department of
33 Public Health to reduce pesticide risks to humans, animals, and
34 the environment while protecting human health from mosquito-
35 and vector-borne diseases and nuisance attacks; and

36 WHEREAS, Best management practices, emphasizing
37 nonchemical approaches, have been developed to guide mosquito
38 control that can significantly reduce mosquito populations for new
39 development and on state and private lands; and

1 WHEREAS, The State Department of Public Health maintains
2 information on how to eliminate risks from vectors at both
3 www.cdph.ca.gov and www.westnile.ca.gov, which the public is
4 encouraged to review; and

5 WHEREAS, The public's awareness of the health benefits
6 associated with safe, professionally applied mosquito and vector
7 control methods will support these efforts, as well as motivate the
8 state and the public to eliminate mosquito and vector breeding
9 sites on public and private property; and

10 WHEREAS, Educational programs have been developed to
11 include schools, civic groups, private industry, and government
12 agencies, in order to meet the public's need for information about
13 West Nile virus, other diseases, and mosquito and vector biology
14 and control; and

15 WHEREAS, Public awareness can result in reduced production
16 of mosquitoes and other vectors on residential, commercial, and
17 public lands by responsible parties, avoidance of the bites of
18 mosquitoes and other vectors when the risk of West Nile virus and
19 other disease transmission is high, detection of human cases of
20 mosquito- and vector-borne diseases that may otherwise be
21 misdiagnosed for lack of appropriate laboratory testing, and the
22 formation of mosquito or vector control agencies where needed;
23 and

24 WHEREAS, Public awareness can result in action to provide
25 adequate funding for existing mosquito and vector control agencies
26 or to create control agencies in areas where there are no existing
27 controls; and

28 WHEREAS, West Nile Virus and Mosquito and Vector Control
29 Awareness Week will increase the public's awareness of the threat
30 of West Nile virus and other diseases and the activities of the
31 various mosquito and vector research and control agencies working
32 to minimize the health threat within California, and will highlight
33 the educational programs currently available; and

34 WHEREAS, The Mosquito and Vector Control Association of
35 California has designated the week of April 20 to April 26, 2014,
36 inclusive, as West Nile Virus and Mosquito and Vector Control
37 Awareness Week in the State of California; now, therefore, be it

38 *Resolved by the Assembly of the State of California, the Senate*
39 *thereof concurring*, That the Legislature hereby declares that the
40 week of April 20 to April 26, 2014, inclusive, be designated as

- 1 West Nile Virus and Mosquito and Vector Control Awareness
- 2 Week; and be it further
- 3 *Resolved*, That the Chief Clerk of the Assembly transmit a copy
- 4 of this resolution to the Governor, the State Public Health Officer,
- 5 and the author for appropriate distribution.

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Date of Hearing: April 21, 2014

ASSEMBLY COMMITTEE ON RULES

Richard S. Gordon, Chair

ACR 132 (Eggman) – As Introduced: April 7, 2014

SUBJECT: West Nile Virus and Mosquito and Vector Control Awareness Week.

SUMMARY: Designates the week of April 20, 2014, through April 26, 2014, as West Nile Virus and Mosquito and Vector Control Awareness Week. Specifically, this resolution would make the following legislative findings:

- 1) Mosquitoes and other vectors, including but not limited to ticks, Africanized honeybees, rats, fleas, and flies, continue to be a source of human suffering, illness, death and a public nuisance in California and around the world.
- 2) The State Department of Public Health and the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention predict West Nile virus will again pose a grave public health threat in California in 2014; and the Mosquito and Vector Control Association of California has designated the week of April 20 through April 26, 2014, as West Nile Virus and Mosquito and Vector Control Awareness Week.
- 3) The public's awareness of the health benefits associated with safe, professionally applied mosquito and vector control methods will support efforts to reduce pesticide risk, as well as, motivate the public to eliminate mosquito and vector breeding sites on private, commercial and public lands.

FISCAL EFFECT: None

REGISTERED SUPPORT / OPPOSITION:

Support

California Special Districts Association

Opposition

None on file.

Analysis Prepared by: Mukhtar Ali / RLS. / (916) 319-2800



California Special
Districts Association
Districts Stronger Together

April 11, 2014

The Honorable Susan Talamantes Eggman
California State Assembly
State Capitol
Sacramento, CA 95814

RE: Assembly Concurrent Resolution 132 (Eggman) – Support [As Introduced]

Dear Assembly Member Eggman:

The California Special Districts Association (CSDA), representing over 1,000 special districts and affiliate organizations throughout the state, is pleased to support Assembly Concurrent Resolution 132 that would declare the week of April 20 - April 26, 2014, as West Nile Virus and Mosquito and Vector Control Awareness Week.

CSDA represents all types of special districts, which provide millions of Californians with core local services such as mosquito and vector control, healthcare, water, and recreation and parks every day. ACR 132 will increase awareness of the seriousness of West Nile Virus and other mosquito-borne diseases, as well as the critical role that mosquito and vector control districts play in reducing public health and safety threats in California. We thank you for your leadership on this important issue.

Sincerely,

Dorothy Holzem
Legislative Representative

cc: The Honorable Rich Gordon, Chair, Assembly Committee on Rules
Members, Assembly Committee on Rules
Assembly Republican Caucus Consultant
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AMENDED IN ASSEMBLY APRIL 10, 2014

CALIFORNIA LEGISLATURE—2013–14 REGULAR SESSION

Assembly Joint Resolution

No. 41

Introduced by Assembly Members Ian Calderon and Wilk
(Principal coauthors: Assembly Members Achadjian and Nazarian)

March 19, 2014

Assembly Joint Resolution No. 41—Relative to the Armenian and Assyrian Genocide.

LEGISLATIVE COUNSEL’S DIGEST

AJR 41, as amended, Ian Calderon. Armenian and Assyrian Genocide.

This measure would commend the extraordinary service delivered by Near East Relief to the survivors of the Armenian Genocide and the Assyrian Genocide.

Fiscal committee: no.

- 1 WHEREAS, During the Armenian Genocide of 1915 through
2 1923, 1.5 million men, women, and children of Armenian descent
3 lost their lives at the hands of the Young Turks regime then ruling
4 the Ottoman Empire in its attempt to systematically eliminate the
5 Armenian race; and
6 WHEREAS, In response to the ~~genocide~~ *Genocide* and at the
7 behest of President Woodrow Wilson and the United States State
8 Department, the Near East Relief organization was founded and
9 was provided unprecedented complete access to all United States
10 Government documents and files concerning the plight of Christian
11 minorities; and
12 WHEREAS, Near East Relief was the first congressionally
13 sanctioned American philanthropic effort created exclusively to

1 rescue the Armenian nation and other Christian minorities from
2 annihilation after United States Ambassador to Constantinople,
3 Henry A. Morgenthau, Jr., pled for assistance after personally
4 witnessing the systematic massacre of Armenians; and

5 WHEREAS, Near East Relief's efforts resulted in delivering
6 \$117 million-~~of~~ *in* assistance between 1915 and 1930, including
7 the delivery of food, clothing, and materials for shelter, and setting
8 up refugee camps, clinics, hospitals, and orphanages; and

9 WHEREAS, The generous philanthropy of the American people,
10 including many Californians, directly resulted in the salvation of
11 the Armenian and Assyrian refugees and prevented them from
12 being completely annihilated by the ~~genocide~~ *Genocide* by saving
13 more than one million refugees, including more than 130,000
14 orphans, through their humanitarian assistance; and

15 WHEREAS, Near East Relief evolved into the Near East
16 Foundation in 1930, and continues to provide humanitarian aid to
17 people throughout the Middle East and Africa; now, therefore, be
18 it

19 *Resolved by the Assembly and the Senate of the State of*
20 *California, jointly*, That the Legislature of the State of California
21 hereby commends the extraordinary service delivered by Near
22 East Relief to the survivors of the Armenian Genocide and the
23 Assyrian Genocide, including thousands of direct beneficiaries of
24 American philanthropy who are the parents, grandparents and
25 great-grandparents of many Californian Armenians and Assyrians;
26 and be it further

27 *Resolved*, That the Chief Clerk of the Assembly transmit copies
28 of this resolution to the President and Vice President of the United
29 States, the Speaker of the House of Representatives, the Minority
30 Leader of the House of Representatives, the Majority Leader of
31 the United States Senate, the Minority Leader of the United States
32 Senate, and to each Senator and Representative from California
33 in the Congress of the United States.

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Date of Hearing: April 21, 2014

ASSEMBLY COMMITTEE ON RULES

Richard S. Gordon, Chair

AJR 41 (Calderon/Wilk) – As Amended: April 10, 2014

SUBJECT: Armenian and Assyrian Genocide.

SUMMARY: This measure would commend the service delivered by Near East Relief to the survivors of the Armenian Genocide and the Assyrian Genocide. Specifically, this resolution makes the following legislative findings:

- 1) During the Armenian Genocide of 1915 through 1923, 1.5 million men, women, and children of Armenian descent lost their lives at the hands of the Young Turks regime then ruling the Ottoman Empire in its attempt to systematically eliminate the Armenian race.
- 2) In response to the Genocide and at the behest of President Woodrow Wilson and the United States State Department, the Near East Relief organization was founded and was provided unprecedented complete access to all United States Government documents and files concerning the plight of Christian minorities.
- 3) The generous philanthropy of the American people, including many Californians, directly resulted in the salvation of the Armenian and Assyrian refugees. Near East Relief's efforts resulted in delivering \$117 million in assistance between 1915 and 1930, including the delivery of food, clothing, and materials for shelter, and setting up refugee camps, clinics, hospitals, and orphanages.

FISCAL EFFECT: None

REGISTERED SUPPORT / OPPOSITION:

Support

Armenian National Committee of America – Western Region

Opposition

None on file.

Analysis Prepared by: Mukhtar Ali / RLS. / (916) 319-2800



Armenian National Committee of America – Western Region

April 16, 2014

The Honorable Richard Gordon
State Assembly Rules Committee
State Capitol, Room 3013
Sacramento, CA 94249

Dear Chairman Gordon:

On behalf of the Armenian National Committee of America – Western Region, we would like to request your support for AJR 41. This bill would recognize the contributions of the Near East Relief organization (currently known as the Near East Foundation) in providing humanitarian assistance to the Christian minorities, including Armenians, which had been subjected to genocide by the Turkish nation from 1915 until 1923.

The extraordinary response to the Armenian Genocide by the American people, under the leadership of Near East Relief, was perhaps the only positive aspect associated with those atrocities. America's generosity should never be forgotten. Californians played an instrumental role in the salvation of over 134,000 orphans, and by providing relief to the survivors. An unprecedented \$117 million in funds and goods were raised and delivered by the United States, and California contributed significantly to this effort.

On the eve of the centennial of this remarkable Congressionally-chartered organization, which emerged during the first few months of the Genocide, it would be very proper to pay tribute to Near East Relief. Many Armenian-Americans in California are the children, grandchildren, and great-grandchildren, and they survived by virtue of the American intervention led by this laudable organization. Armenians throughout the world, including in California, owe a debt of gratitude to Near East Relief, and we call upon our state representatives to formally articulate our profound thanks.

We urge you once again to support AJR 41, and thank you for your consideration.

Sincerely,

Elen Asatryan
Executive Director
Armenian National Committee of America – Western Region

cc: The Honorable Ian Calderon
The Honorable Scott Wilk

Introduced by Senator Evans

(Principal coauthor: Assembly Member Dickinson)

February 21, 2014

Senate Concurrent Resolution No. 88—Relative to Multiple Sclerosis Awareness Week.

LEGISLATIVE COUNSEL'S DIGEST

SCR 88, as introduced, Evans. Multiple Sclerosis Awareness Week.

This measure would declare the week of March 3, 2014, through March 9, 2014, as Multiple Sclerosis Awareness Week.

Fiscal committee: no.

1 WHEREAS, The week of March 3, 2014, through March 9,
2 2014, has been declared Multiple Sclerosis Awareness Week in
3 recognition of the importance of finding the cause of and a cure
4 for multiple sclerosis and to express appreciation to the National
5 Multiple Sclerosis Society and its California chapters; and

6 WHEREAS, Multiple sclerosis is a neurological disease of the
7 central nervous system that affects an estimated 400,000 Americans
8 across the country, and nearly 200 new cases are diagnosed each
9 week nationwide; and

10 WHEREAS, More than 40,000 people in California are affected
11 by this devastating disease; and

12 WHEREAS, Twice as many women as men have multiple
13 sclerosis and most are diagnosed between the ages of 20 and 50,
14 and while studies indicate genetic factors make certain individuals
15 more susceptible than others, there is no evidence that multiple
16 sclerosis is directly inherited; and

1 WHEREAS, The National Multiple Sclerosis Society, founded
2 in 1946, funds more research, offers more services for people with
3 multiple sclerosis, and provides more professional education
4 programs than any other multiple sclerosis organization in the
5 world. Through its 50-state network of chapters, the society serves
6 more than one million people annually; and

7 WHEREAS, The society is the largest private supporter of
8 multiple sclerosis research in the world, and for more than 55 years
9 it has funded innovative research and advocated for government
10 support of important scientific inquiries; and

11 WHEREAS, Throughout the years, the California chapters of
12 the society have been committed to heightening public knowledge
13 and insight, and are currently planning several major statewide
14 educational programs to raise awareness about the effects of
15 multiple sclerosis; now, therefore, be it

16 *Resolved by the Senate of the State of California, the Assembly*
17 *thereof concurring*, That the Legislature declares the week of
18 March 3, 2014, through March 9, 2014, is Multiple Sclerosis
19 Awareness Week and that the residents of the State of California
20 are encouraged to join together in raising awareness and
21 heightening public knowledge of this debilitating disease; and be
22 it further

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

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Date of Hearing: April 21, 2014

ASSEMBLY COMMITTEE ON RULES

Richard S. Gordon, Chair

SCR 88 (Evans) – As Introduced: February 21, 2014

SENATE VOTE: 31-0

SUBJECT: Multiple Sclerosis Awareness Week.

SUMMARY: Declares the week of March 3, 2014, through March 9, 2014, as Multiple Sclerosis Awareness Week and encourages California residents to join together in raising awareness and heightening public knowledge of this debilitating disease. Specifically, this resolution makes the following legislative findings:

- 1) Multiple Sclerosis is a neurological disease of the central nervous system that affects an estimated 400,000 Americans across the country; and, nearly 200 new cases are diagnosed each week nationwide.
- 2) Twice as many women as men have multiple sclerosis; and, most are diagnosed between the ages of 20 and 50.
- 3) The California chapters of the National Multiple Sclerosis Society report that more than 40,000 people in California are affected by this devastating disease.
- 4) The National Multiple Sclerosis Foundation, founded in 1946, funds more research, offers more services for people with the disease, and provides more professional education programs than any other multiple sclerosis organization; and through its home office in New York and its 50-state network of chapters, the society serves more than one million people annually.

FISCAL EFFECT: None

REGISTERED SUPPORT / OPPOSITION:

Support

Multiple Sclerosis Society California Action Network (MS-CAN)

Opposition

None on file

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March 3, 2014

The Honorable Richard Gordon
Chair Assembly Rules Committee
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Sacramento, CA 95814

Dear Assemblymember Gordon:

Re: SCR 88 (Evans) Multiple Sclerosis (MS) Awareness Week -Sponsor

The California Chapters of the National Multiple Sclerosis Society are pleased to sponsor your resolution, SCR 88 that declares March 3-9, 2014 as Multiple Sclerosis Awareness Week. MS Awareness Week will raise awareness of this debilitating disease throughout California and help educate all residents about the challenges and needs of people living with MS.

Multiple sclerosis is a chronic and often disabling disease of the central nervous system that typically is diagnosed in young adulthood. MS is a puzzling and unpredictable disease that varies widely in its impact, not only from person to person, but also in the same individual at different times. Symptoms range from numbness and tingling to blindness and paralysis. Although the progress, severity and specific symptoms of MS in any one person cannot yet be predicted, advances in research and treatment are moving closer to a world free of MS. Most people with MS are diagnosed in the prime of their lives, between the ages of 20 and 50. More than twice as many women as men are diagnosed with the disease. MS affects more than 40,000 people in California, 400,000 in the U.S. and 2.5 million worldwide.

MS stops people from moving. The goal of the California Chapters of the National MS Society is to make sure it doesn't in California. ACR 22 will enhance knowledge throughout the state about the important issues impacting people living with MS and give a voice to all of those affected by this disease.

On behalf of all of those individuals living with multiple sclerosis, I thank you for introducing SCR 88.

Respectfully,

Stewart Ferry
Director of Public Policy

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