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Committee:

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Memo

To: Rules Committee Members
From: Mukhtar Ali, Bill Referral Consultant
Date: 4/28/14
Re: Consent Bill Referrals

Since you received the preliminary there have been no changes.



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RE-REFERRAL OF BILLS

04/28/2014

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Assembly Bill No.

[AB 2227](#)

[AB 2368](#)

Committee:

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Memo

To: Rules Committee Members
From: Mukhtar Ali, Bill Referral Consultant
Date: 4/28/14
Re: Consent Bill Re-referrals

Since you received the preliminary AB 2646 has been removed.



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Assembly Concurrent Resolution

No. 123

Introduced by Assembly Member Harkey

March 25, 2014

Assembly Concurrent Resolution No. 123—Relative to Arthritis Awareness Month.

LEGISLATIVE COUNSEL'S DIGEST

ACR 123, as introduced, Harkey. Arthritis Awareness Month.

This measure would proclaim the month of May 2014 as Arthritis Awareness Month.

Fiscal committee: no.

1 WHEREAS, Arthritis includes more than 100 rheumatic diseases
2 and conditions that affect joints, the tissues that surround joints,
3 and other connective tissue; and

4 WHEREAS, Arthritis is a chronic health problem and the
5 nation's leading cause of physical disability among Americans
6 and is most common among people with multiple chronic
7 conditions; and

8 WHEREAS, Arthritis causes pain and loss of movement, can
9 limit everyday activities such as walking and dressing, and can
10 even lead to death; and

11 WHEREAS, An estimated 52.5 million adults in the United
12 States are living with some form of doctor-diagnosed arthritis,
13 representing approximately 22.7 percent of adults in the United
14 States; and

1 WHEREAS, An estimated 300,000 children under 18 years of
2 age, or approximately one in 250 children, in the United States
3 have some form of arthritis or rheumatic condition; and

4 WHEREAS, Approximately one-half of all adults with heart
5 disease or diabetes also have arthritis; and

6 WHEREAS, Arthritis costs the United States economy more
7 than \$128 billion each year, with \$81 billion in direct medical care
8 costs and \$47 billion in indirect costs; and

9 WHEREAS, Arthritis results in approximately 992,100
10 hospitalizations and 44 million outpatient visits each year; and

11 WHEREAS, In California there are more than 5.3 million people
12 living with arthritis, including 38,000 children; and

13 WHEREAS, An estimated 67 million adults 18 years of age and
14 older will have doctor-diagnosed arthritis by the year 2030; now,
15 therefore, be it

16 *Resolved by the Senate of the State of California, the Assembly*
17 *thereof concurring*, That the Legislature understands the extent
18 of, and sympathizes with, the severity of the impact of arthritis on
19 Californians; and be it further

20 *Resolved*, That the Legislature recognizes the month of May
21 2014 as Arthritis Awareness Month and appreciates the efforts of
22 the California Arthritis Foundation Council to seek access to care
23 for all Californians; and be it further

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

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Date of Hearing: April 28, 2014

ASSEMBLY COMMITTEE ON RULES

Richard S. Gordon, Chair

ACR 123 (Harkey) – As Introduced: March 25, 2014

SUBJECT: Arthritis Awareness Month.

SUMMARY: Proclaims the month of May 2014 as Arthritis Awareness Month. Specifically, this resolution makes the following legislative findings:

- 1) Arthritis is a chronic health problem and the nation's leading cause of physical disability among Americans and includes more than 100 rheumatic diseases and conditions that affect joints, the tissues that surround joints, and other connective tissue.
- 2) In California there are more than 5.3 million people living with arthritis, including 38,000 children.
- 3) Arthritis results in approximately 992,100 hospitalizations and 44 million outpatient visits each year; and cost the United States economy more than \$128 billion each year in direct and indirect medical costs.

FISCAL EFFECT: None

REGISTERED SUPPORT / OPPOSITION:

Support

None on file

Opposition

None on file

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

Assembly Concurrent Resolution

No. 133

Introduced by Assembly Member Bonta
(Coauthors: Assembly Members Chau, Fong, Muratsuchi, Pan,
Ting, Williams, and Yamada)
(Coauthors: Senators Lieu and Liu)

April 9, 2014

Assembly Concurrent Resolution No. 133—Relative to Asian and Pacific Islander American Heritage Month.

LEGISLATIVE COUNSEL’S DIGEST

ACR 133, as introduced, Bonta. May 2014: Asian and Pacific Islander American Heritage Month.

This measure would recognize May 2014 as Asian and Pacific Islander American Heritage Month.

Fiscal committee: no.

- 1 WHEREAS, One of the earliest records of Asian and Pacific
2 Islander Americans in the United States dates back to 1763 in New
3 Orleans, Louisiana, where Filipino sailors who worked the
4 Manila-Acapulco trade route settled; and
5 WHEREAS, Asian and Pacific Islander Americans have made
6 indelible contributions to the history of California and the United
7 States that include, but are not limited to, building the
8 Transcontinental Railroad, serving honorably in the Armed Forces,
9 fighting for the United States in foreign wars, coorganizing the
10 Delano Grape Strike, and advocating for civil rights; and
11 WHEREAS, Asian and Pacific Islander Americans have endured
12 hardships, including unjust working conditions, prejudice, and

1 discrimination in some of the darkest times in our state's and
2 nation's history, including the Chinese Exclusion Act, naturalized
3 citizenship ineligibility, the Alien Land Law, antimiscegenation
4 laws, and Japanese internment; and

5 WHEREAS, Asian and Pacific Islander Americans continue to
6 cultivate, advance, and lead in the fields of art, fashion, business,
7 technology, education, science, government, law, humanities,
8 medicine, sports, and entertainment; and

9 WHEREAS, California is home to over 5.8 million Asian and
10 Pacific Islander Americans, more than any other state, and Asian
11 and Pacific Islander Americans are one of the fastest growing
12 ethnic populations in the state and nation; and

13 WHEREAS, Asian and Pacific Islander Americans constitute
14 16 percent of California's population and represent diverse
15 ancestries that include, but are not limited to, Asian Indian,
16 Bangladeshi, Bhutanese, Burmese, Cambodian, Chamorro,
17 Chinese, Taiwanese, Filipino, Hmong, Indonesian, Iu-Mien, Iwo
18 Jiman, Guamanian, Japanese, Korean, Laotian, Malaysian,
19 Maldivian, Mongolian, Nepalese, Native Hawaiian, Vietnamese,
20 Okinawan, Pakistani, Samoan, Singaporean, Sri Lankan, Thai,
21 Tongan, and other Pacific Islander; and

22 WHEREAS, California's Asian and Pacific Islander American
23 entrepreneurs are innovative and lead many successful businesses
24 to the pinnacle of their respective industries nationally and globally,
25 and own 15 percent of businesses in California; and

26 WHEREAS, The California Commission on Asian and Pacific
27 Islander American Affairs was established in 2004 and is charged
28 with advising the Governor, the Legislature, and state agencies on
29 issues relating to the social and economic development, rights,
30 and interests of California's Asian and Pacific Islander American
31 communities; and

32 WHEREAS, The California Asian and Pacific Islander
33 Legislative Caucus, a caucus of State Assembly Members and
34 Senators, represents and advocates for the interests of the diverse
35 Asian and Pacific Islander American communities; and

36 WHEREAS, The federal government officially designates May
37 as "Asian/Pacific American Heritage Month"; and

38 WHEREAS, Celebrating Asian and Pacific Islander Heritage
39 Month provides Californians with an opportunity to recognize the

1 achievements, contributions, and history of Asian and Pacific
2 Islander Americans; now, therefore, be it
3 *Resolved by the Assembly of the State of California, the Senate*
4 *thereof concurring*, That the Legislature commends Asian and
5 Pacific Islander Americans for their notable accomplishments and
6 contributions to California, and recognizes May 2014 as Asian
7 and Pacific Islander American Heritage Month; and be it further
8 *Resolved*, That the Chief Clerk of the Assembly transmit copies
9 of this resolution to the author for appropriate distribution.

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Date of Hearing: April 28, 2014

ASSEMBLY COMMITTEE ON RULES

Richard S. Gordon, Chair

ACR 133 (Bonta) – As Introduced: April 9, 2014

SUBJECT: Asian and Pacific Islander American Heritage Month.

SUMMARY: Recognize May 2014 as Asian and Pacific Islander American Heritage Month and commends Asian and Pacific Islander Americans for their notable accomplishments and contributions to California. Specifically, this resolution makes the following legislative findings:

- 1) California is home to over 5.8 million Asian and Pacific Islander Americans, more than any other state and Asian and Pacific Islander Americans are one of the fastest growing ethnic populations in the state and the nation.
- 2) Asian and Pacific Islander Americans have endured hardships, including unjust working conditions, prejudice, and discrimination in some of the darkest times in our state's and nation's history, including the Chinese Exclusion Act, naturalized citizenship ineligibility, the Alien Land Law, Anti-miscegenation laws, and Japanese internment.
- 3) Asian and Pacific Islander Americans continue to cultivate, advance, and lead in the fields of art, fashion, business, technology, education, science, government, law, humanities, medicine, sports, and entertainment.
- 4) The California Commission on Asian and Pacific Islander American Affairs was established in 2004 and is charged with advising the Governor, the Legislature, and state agencies on issues relating to the social and economic development, rights and interests of California's Asian and Pacific Islander American communities.

FISCAL EFFECT: None

REGISTERED SUPPORT / OPPOSITION:

Support

None on file

Opposition

None on file

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

**ADMINISTRATIVE ITEM:
ASSEMBLY LEGAL PLAN**

ISSUE:

Should the Assembly approve a one-year contract with CLC Incorporated to replace Caldwell Legal and continue to provide a basic legal plan to employees?

BACKGROUND

The Assembly currently provides a basic legal plan to employees that offers free telephone advice and consultations, as well as a host of other services at reduced rates. The vendor for this plan, Caldwell Legal, notified the Assembly Rules Committee that as of April 30, 2014, they will no longer be in business.

Assembly Rules Committee staff researched vendors to continue to offer this benefit to employees. After comparing the current plan to plans offered by five different vendors, staff recommends the Assembly enter into a one-year contract with CLC Incorporated. CLC offers a plan that is comparable and in some areas better than the Caldwell Legal plan. CLC has committed to matching Caldwell's monthly premium of \$1.00 per employee per month for the first year of the contract. The four other vendors offered comparable plans, however the monthly premiums range from \$14.00 per employee to \$25.00 per employee.

RECOMMENDATION:

Approve a one-year contract with CLC.



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Memo

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Re: Consent Bill Referrals - Second Extraordinary Session

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REFERRAL OF BILLS TO COMMITTEE

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Pursuant to the Assembly Rules, the following bills were referred to committee:

Assembly Bill No.

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Committee:

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