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Monday, June 15, 2015
Upon Call of the Chair
State Capitol, Room 3162

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Memo

To: Rules Committee Members
From: Mukhtar Ali, Bill Referral Consultant
Date: 6/12/2015
Re: Consent Bill Referrals

Since you received the preliminary list of bill referrals, ACR 79 and ACR 87 have been added.

RE-REFERRAL OF BILLS

06/15/2015

RE-REFERRAL OF BILLS

Assembly Bill
No.

Committee:

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Memo

To: Rules Committee Members
From: Mukhtar Ali, Bill Referral Consultant
Date: 6/12/2015
Re: Consent Bill Re-referrals

Since you received the preliminary list of bill referrals, there have been no changes.

Assembly Concurrent Resolution

No. 83

Introduced by Assembly Member Campos
(Coauthors: Assembly Members Cristina Garcia and Irwin)
(Coauthors: Senators Jackson and Liu)

June 2, 2015

Assembly Concurrent Resolution No. 83—Relative to the California Commission on the Status of Women and Girls.

LEGISLATIVE COUNSEL'S DIGEST

ACR 83, as introduced, Campos. The California Commission on the Status of Women and Girls: 50th anniversary.

This measure would congratulate the California Commission on the Status of Women and Girls on the celebration of its 50th anniversary, and recognize and commend the commission for its various contributions and accomplishments.

Fiscal committee: no.

1 WHEREAS, The California Commission on the Status of
2 Women and Girls is celebrating its 50th anniversary, its many
3 achievements, and its significant impact on California's women
4 and girls; and
5 WHEREAS, The California Commission on the Status of
6 Women and Girls is an agency of state government, created in
7 1965 by the California State Legislature, and is mandated to
8 challenge discrimination against women and girls in California,
9 promote equity for women and girls, and encourage their full
10 economic and social participation in this state; and

1 WHEREAS, The commission is the only state agency that
2 focuses exclusively on issues relating to the needs and concerns
3 of California's women and girls; and

4 WHEREAS, The commission examines any laws, practices, or
5 conditions concerning or affecting women and girls that impose
6 special limitations or burdens upon them or upon society, or that
7 limit or tend to limit opportunities available to women and girls;
8 and

9 WHEREAS, The commission promotes standards and best
10 practices for equity for women and girls and acts as an information
11 and referral center on issues that affect the lives of women and
12 girls; and

13 WHEREAS, During the past 50 years, the commission has
14 contributed to the development of public policy in the areas of
15 women's health and safety, equal opportunity in education and
16 employment, child and other dependent care, economic security,
17 family law, sexual harassment, violence against women, human
18 trafficking, women in prison, gender equity in the media, and
19 women in the military, women veterans, and military families; and

20 WHEREAS, The commission has sponsored public hearings
21 and educational forums in collaboration with California's state
22 legislative committees, local commissions on the status of women
23 and girls, and other state agencies and women's organizations, and
24 is a trusted ally to advocates and community groups; and

25 WHEREAS, The commission strives to develop innovative
26 initiatives with government and the business and nonprofit sectors;
27 and

28 WHEREAS, The commission has developed innovative
29 partnerships with the Department of Veterans Affairs to support
30 women veterans, with the State Department of Education to expand
31 Science, Technology, Engineering, and Mathematics (STEM)
32 education for women and girls, and with the Office of Emergency
33 Services on the State Advisory Committee on Sexual Assault
34 Victim Services; and

35 WHEREAS, The commission continues to address emerging
36 issues affecting the diverse population of California's women and
37 their families; and

38 WHEREAS, The California Commission on the Status of
39 Women and Girls has a comprehensive agenda to promote the full

1 potential and contribution of the more than 19 million women and
2 girls in the state of California; now, therefore, be it
3 *Resolved by the Assembly of the State of California, the Senate*
4 *thereof concurring*, That the California Commission on the Status
5 of Women and Girls be congratulated on the celebration of its 50th
6 anniversary, recognized for its contributions to improving public
7 policy impacting the lives of California's women and girls,
8 commended for the continued vision and commitment of its past
9 and present members and their staff on behalf of California's
10 women and girls, and that best wishes be extended for the
11 continued success of the Commission in the future; 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: June 15, 2015

ASSEMBLY COMMITTEE ON RULES
Richard Gordon, Chair
ACR 83 (Campos) – As Introduced June 2, 2015

SUBJECT: The California Commission on the Status of Women and Girls: 50th anniversary.

SUMMARY: Congratulates the California Commission on the Status of Women and Girls on the celebration of its 50th anniversary, and recognizes and commends the commission for its various contributions and accomplishments. Specifically, **this resolution** makes the following legislative findings:

- 1) The California Commission on the Status of Women and Girls is an agency of state government, created in 1965 by the California State Legislature, and is mandated to challenge discrimination against women and girls in California, promote equity for women and girls, and encourage their full economic and social participation in this state.
- 2) The commission examines any laws, practices, or conditions concerning or affecting women and girls that impose special limitation or burdens upon them or upon society, or that limit or tend to limit opportunities available to women and girls.
- 3) During the past 50 years, the commission has contributed to the development of public policy in the areas of women's health and safety, equal opportunity in education and employment, child and other dependent care, economic security, family law, sexual harassment, violence against women, human trafficking, women in prison, gender equality in the media, and women in the military, women veterans, and military families.
- 4) The commission strives to develop innovative initiatives with government and the business and nonprofit sectors and has a comprehensive agenda to promote the full potential and contributions of the more than 19 million women and girls in the state of California.

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. 87

Introduced by Assembly Member Ridley-Thomas
(Coauthors: Assembly Members Brown, Burke, Cooper, Gipson,
Holden, Jones-Sawyer, McCarty, Thurmond, and Weber)
(Coauthors: Senators Hall and Mitchell)

June 11, 2015

Assembly Concurrent Resolution No. 87—Relative to the 150th anniversary of Juneteenth.

LEGISLATIVE COUNSEL’S DIGEST

ACR 87, as introduced, Ridley-Thomas. The 150th anniversary of Juneteenth.

This measure would recognize June 19, 2015, as the 150th anniversary of Juneteenth and would urge the people of California to join in celebrating Juneteenth as a day to honor and reflect on the significant role that African Americans have played in the history of the United States and how they have enriched society through their steadfast commitment to promoting unity and equality.

Fiscal committee: no.

- 1 WHEREAS, June 19, 2015, marks the 150th anniversary of
2 Juneteenth; and
3 WHEREAS, Juneteenth, also known as “Juneteenth
4 Independence Day,” “Emancipation Day,” “Emancipation
5 Celebration,” and “Freedom Day,” is the oldest African American
6 holiday observance in the United States; and
7 WHEREAS, Juneteenth commemorates the strong survival
8 instinct of African Americans who were first brought to this

1 country stacked in the bottom of slave ships in a month-long
2 journey across the Atlantic Ocean known as the “Middle Passage”;
3 and

4 WHEREAS, Events in the history of the United States that led
5 to the start of the Civil War in 1861 centered on sectional
6 differences between the North and the South that were based on
7 the economic and social divergence caused by the existence of
8 slavery; and

9 WHEREAS, In 1862, the first clear signs that the end of slavery
10 was imminent appeared when laws abolishing slavery were adopted
11 in the territories of Oklahoma, Nebraska, Colorado, and New
12 Mexico; and

13 WHEREAS, In September 1862, President Lincoln issued the
14 celebrated Emancipation Proclamation, warning the rebellious
15 Confederate states that he would declare their slaves “forever free”
16 if those states did not return to the Union by January 1, 1863; and

17 WHEREAS, Enforcement of the Emancipation Proclamation
18 occurred only in Confederate states that were under Union Army
19 control; and

20 WHEREAS, On January 31, 1865, Congress passed the
21 Thirteenth Amendment to the United States Constitution,
22 abolishing slavery throughout the United States and its territories;
23 and

24 WHEREAS, Spontaneous celebration erupted throughout the
25 country when African Americans learned of their freedom; and

26 WHEREAS, Juneteenth, or June 19, 1865, is considered the
27 date when the last slaves in America were freed when General
28 Gordon Granger rode into Galveston, Texas, and issued General
29 Order No. 3, almost two and one-half years after President Lincoln
30 issued the Emancipation Proclamation; and

31 WHEREAS, Observance of Juneteenth, a reminder of
32 emancipation, spread from Texas to the neighboring states of
33 Louisiana, Arkansas, and Oklahoma, as well as Alabama, Florida,
34 and California, where many African American Texans migrated;
35 and

36 WHEREAS, Juneteenth symbolizes freedom, celebrates the
37 abolishment of slavery, and reminds all Americans of the
38 significant contributions of African Americans to our society; and

39 WHEREAS, A growing number of American and African
40 American cultural institutions have sponsored Juneteenth cultural

1 events designed to make all Americans aware of this celebration;
2 and

3 WHEREAS, Juneteenth celebrations are a tribute to those
4 African Americans who fought so long and worked so hard to
5 make the dream of equality a reality; now, therefore, be it

6 *Resolved by the Assembly of the State of California, the Senate*
7 *thereof concurring*, That the Legislature of the State of California
8 hereby recognizes June 19, 2015, as the 150th anniversary of
9 Juneteenth; and be it further

10 *Resolved*, That the Legislature urges the people of California to
11 join in celebrating Juneteenth as a day to honor and reflect on the
12 significant role that African Americans have played in the history
13 of the United States and how they have enriched society through
14 their steadfast commitment to promoting unity and equality; and
15 be it further

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

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Date of Hearing: June 15, 2015

ASSEMBLY COMMITTEE ON RULES

Richard Gordon, Chair

ACR 87 (Ridley-Thomas) – As Introduced June 11, 2015

SUBJECT: The 150th anniversary of Juneteenth.

SUMMARY: Recognizes June 19, 2015, as the 150th anniversary of Juneteenth and urges the people of California to join in celebrating Juneteenth as a day to honor and reflect on the significant role that African Americans have played in the history of the United States and how they have enriched society through their steadfast commitment to promoting unity and equality. Specifically, **this resolution** makes the following legislative findings:

- 1) Juneteenth, also known as "Juneteenth Independence Day," "Emancipation Day," "Emancipation Celebration," and "Freedom Day," is the oldest African American holiday observance in the United States.
- 2) Juneteenth commemorates the strong survival instinct of African Americans who were first brought to this country stacked in the bottom of slave ships in a month-long journey across the Atlantic Ocean known as the "Middle Passage."
- 3) June 19, 1865, is considered the date when the last slaves in America were freed when General Gordon Granger rode into Galveston, Texas, and issued General Order No. 3, almost two and half years after President Lincoln issued the Emancipation Proclamation.
- 4) Juneteenth symbolizes freedom, celebrates the abolishment of slavery, and reminds all Americans of the significant contributions of African Americans to our society.

FISCAL EFFECT: None

REGISTERED SUPPORT / OPPOSITION:

Support

None on file

Opposition

None on file

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**Introduced by Senators Block, Allen, Hertzberg, Jackson, Leno,
Stone, and Wolk**

(Principal coauthors: Assembly Members Bloom, Levine, Linder,
Medina, Nazarian, and Thurmond)

April 9, 2015

Senate Concurrent Resolution No. 39—Relative to Jewish American
Heritage Month.

LEGISLATIVE COUNSEL'S DIGEST

SCR 39, as introduced, Block. Jewish American Heritage Month.

This measure would state that the Legislature recognizes May 2015 as Jewish American Heritage Month, encourages all Californians to participate in appropriate observances with activities that celebrate and commemorate Jewish American Heritage Month, and commends Jewish Americans for their notable accomplishments and outstanding service to the state and the nation.

Fiscal committee: no.

1 WHEREAS, For thousands of years, the Jewish people have
2 sustained their identity and traditions while persevering in the face
3 of persecution, enslavement, years of wandering, forced
4 segregation, and the horrors of the Holocaust; and
5 WHEREAS, Ever since the first Dutch Jew set foot in New
6 Amsterdam in 1654, Jews have been contributing bountifully to
7 the culture and history of the United States of America, have
8 achieved great success, strengthened the country, and helped shape
9 the American way of life through their deep commitment to faith,
10 family, and community; and

1 WHEREAS, When the first Jewish settlers came to this country,
2 they sought a place of promise where they could practice their
3 faith in freedom and live in liberty; and

4 WHEREAS, In his second year in office, President George
5 Washington wrote a letter to the Touro Synagogue in Newport,
6 Rhode Island, which was one of first Jewish houses of worship in
7 the United States of America, reaffirming the nation's commitment
8 to religious freedom where he noted that the government of the
9 United States would give "to bigotry no sanction [and] to
10 persecution no assistance," and that all Americans are entitled to
11 "liberty of conscience and immunities of citizenship;" and

12 WHEREAS, It was such a belief that drew generations of Jewish
13 immigrants to the United States of America to rebuild their lives,
14 whether it was Jewish families fleeing pogroms or persecution in
15 Europe during the last century, Holocaust survivors, or Jews
16 trapped behind the Iron Curtain; and

17 WHEREAS, This history led many Jewish Americans to find
18 common cause with the Civil Rights Movement, as African
19 Americans and Jewish Americans marched side by side in Selma
20 and Montgomery, boarded buses for Freedom Rides together, and
21 united in their support of liberty and human dignity; and

22 WHEREAS, Jewish Americans have continued their strong
23 support for ending discrimination in voting, employment, public
24 accommodation, and in society at large, by prominently
25 participating in virtually every civil rights effort in the American
26 experience, including those for women, farmworkers, the disabled,
27 and for lesbian, gay, bisexual, and transgender Americans; and

28 WHEREAS, As a nation of immigrants, the United States is
29 better and stronger because Jewish people from all over the world
30 have chosen to become American citizens; and

31 WHEREAS, Jewish American Heritage Month is the time when
32 the rich history of Jewish Americans is celebrated and their
33 contributions to this nation are honored; and

34 WHEREAS, Anyone interested in learning more about the
35 heritage and contributions of Jewish Americans should visit
36 www.JewishHeritageMonth.gov; and

37 WHEREAS, Jewish American Heritage Month is also an
38 opportunity to remember and thank the many Jewish Americans
39 who defend this nation's ideals as members of the United States
40 Armed Forces; and

1 WHEREAS, Jewish American Heritage Month is also a time to
2 renew this nation's unbreakable bond with the nation of Israel.
3 This bond is a partnership built on mutual interests and shared
4 ideals that transcend politics. Israel and the United States of
5 America are enriched by diversity and faith, fueled by innovation,
6 and ruled not only by men and women, but also by laws; and

7 WHEREAS, Jewish Americans continue to guide the nation's
8 progress as scientists, teachers, entrepreneurs, public servants,
9 private citizens, leaders, and parents; and

10 WHEREAS, Congresswoman Debbie Wasserman Schultz
11 sponsored House Concurrent Resolution 315 (H. Con. Res. 315
12 (109th)) that urges the President of the United States to issue each
13 year a proclamation calling on state and local governments and
14 the people of the United States to observe American Jewish History
15 Month, now, therefore, be it

16 *Resolved by the Senate of the State of California, the Assembly*
17 *thereof concurring*, That the Legislature recognizes May 2015 as
18 Jewish American Heritage Month, encourages all Californians to
19 participate in appropriate observances with activities that celebrate
20 and commemorate Jewish American Heritage Month, and
21 commends Jewish Americans for their notable accomplishments
22 and outstanding service to the state and the nation; and be 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: June 15, 2015

ASSEMBLY COMMITTEE ON RULES
Richard Gordon, Chair
SCR 39 (Block) – As Introduced April 9, 2015

SENATE VOTE: 36-0

SUBJECT: Jewish American Heritage Month.

SUMMARY: Recognizes May 2015 as Jewish American heritage Month, encourages all Californians to participate in appropriate observances with activities that celebrate and commemorate Jewish American Heritage Month. Specifically, **this resolution** makes the following legislative findings:

- 1) For thousands of years, the Jewish people have sustained their identity and traditions while persevering in the face of persecution, enslavement, years of wandering, forced segregation, and the horrors of the Holocaust.
- 2) Ever since the first Dutch Jew set foot in New Amsterdam in 1654, Jews have been contributing bountifully to the culture and history of the United States, have achieved great success, strengthened the country, and helped shape the American way of life through their deep commitment to faith, family, and community.
- 3) Jewish Americans have continued their strong support for ending discrimination in voting, employment, public accommodation, and in society at large, by prominently participating in virtually every civil rights effort in the American experience, including those for women, farmworkers, the disabled, and for lesbian, gay, bisexual, and transgender Americans.
- 4) Jewish American Heritage Month is the time when the rich history of Jewish Americans is celebrated and their contributions to this nation are honored, and also an opportunity to remember and thank the many Jewish Americans who defend this nation's ideals as members of the United States Armed Forces.
- 5) Jewish Americans continue to guide the nation's progress as scientists, teachers, entrepreneurs, public servants, private citizens, leaders, and parents.

FISCAL EFFECT: None

REGISTERED SUPPORT / OPPOSITION:

Support

None on file

Opposition

None on file

Introduced by Senator Hancock

April 13, 2015

Senate Concurrent Resolution No. 41—Relative to California’s Chess Month.

LEGISLATIVE COUNSEL’S DIGEST

SCR 41, as introduced, Hancock. California’s Chess Month.

This measure designates October as California’s Chess Month, encourages the people of California to observe Chess Month with appropriate programs and activities, and encourages schools to include chess as an educational tool in their classrooms.

Fiscal committee: no.

- 1 WHEREAS, Designating October as California’s Chess Month
2 would enhance awareness and encourage students and adults to
3 engage in a game known to enhance critical thinking,
4 determination, self-esteem, problem solving skills, and serves as
5 a gateway to science, technology, engineering, and mathematics
6 education; and
7 WHEREAS, There are 9,294 members of the United States
8 Chess Federation in the State of California, and unknown numbers
9 of additional people in California who play the game without
10 joining an official organization; and
11 WHEREAS, More than one-half of California’s members are
12 scholastic members, and many of the scholastic members join by
13 the age of eight; and
14 WHEREAS, There are more than 80,000 members of the United
15 States Chess Federation, and more than 2,000 affiliated chess clubs
16 and organizations today; and

1 WHEREAS, In 1992, New Jersey Governor Jim Florio signed
2 into law a bill to establish chess instruction in public schools and
3 cited, “In countries where chess is offered widely in schools
4 students exhibit excellence in the ability to recognize complex
5 patterns and consequently excel in math and science”; and

6 WHEREAS, Former United States Secretary of Education Terrel
7 Bell encouraged knowledge of chess as a way to develop a
8 preschooler’s intellect and academic readiness; and

9 WHEREAS, In Western Pennsylvania, more than 70 schools
10 and a dozen libraries offer chess programs, reaching several
11 thousand students each year; and

12 WHEREAS, In 2000, a report found that students who received
13 chess instruction scored significantly higher on all measures of
14 academic achievement, including math, spatial analysis, and
15 nonverbal reasoning ability; and

16 WHEREAS, America’s Foundation for Chess has been working
17 with 2nd and 3rd grade students and their teachers to promote the
18 use of chess as an educational tool through their First Move
19 curriculum to increase higher level thinking skills, advance math
20 and reading skills, and build self-confidence; and

21 WHEREAS, Independent studies conducted by the Kensington
22 Research Group in partnership with the Berkeley Chess School
23 for the 2011–12 school year in two of Oakland’s Title I schools
24 have linked chess programs to the improvement of student scores
25 in the San Francisco Bay Area in reading and math; and

26 WHEREAS, A 2013 independent study conducted by the
27 Department of Psychology and Cognitive Development of the
28 Graduate School of Education at the University of California,
29 Berkeley, highlighting chess skill acquisition and development,
30 showed dramatic increase in students’ fluid reasoning, as well as
31 enhancing students’ ability to better handle stressful situations,
32 which positively influence decisionmaking; and

33 WHEREAS, Chess is a powerful cognitive learning tool that
34 can be used to successfully enhance reading and math concepts;
35 and

36 WHEREAS, Chess engages students of all learning styles and
37 strengths and promotes problem solving and higher level thinking
38 skills; now, therefore, be it

39 *Resolved by the Senate of the State of California, the Assembly*
40 *thereof concurring,* That the Legislature hereby designates October

1 as California’s Chess Month, encourages the people of California
2 to observe Chess Month with appropriate programs and activities,
3 and encourages schools to include chess as an educational tool in
4 their classrooms.

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7 **CORRECTIONS:**

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Date of Hearing: June 15, 2015

ASSEMBLY COMMITTEE ON RULES
Richard Gordon, Chair
SCR 41 (Hancock) – As Introduced April 13, 2015

SENATE VOTE: 37-0

SUBJECT: California's Chess Month.

SUMMARY: Designates October as California's Chess Month and encourages the people of California to observe Chess Month with appropriate programs and activities, and encourages schools to include chess as an educational tool in their classrooms. Specifically, **this resolution** makes the following legislative findings:

- 1) Chess is a powerful cognitive learning tool that can be used to successfully enhance reading and math concept, and chess engages students of all learning styles and strengths and promotes problem solving and higher level thinking skills.
- 2) Designating October as California's Chess Month would enhance awareness and encourage students and adults to engage in a game known to enhance critical thinking, determination, self-esteem, problem solving skills, and serves as a gateway to science, technology, engineering, and mathematics education.
- 3) There are 9,294 members of the United States Chess Federation in the State of California, more than one-half of California's members are scholastic members, and many of the scholastic members join by the age of eight. There are more than 80,000 members of the United States Chess Federation, and more than 2,000 affiliated chess clubs and organizations today.
- 4) Independent studies conducted by the Kensington Research Group in partnership with the Berkeley Chess School for the 1022-12 school year in two of Oakland's Title One schools have linked chess programs to the improvement of student scores in the San Francisco Bay Area in reading and math.
- 5) A 2013 independent study conducted by the Department of Psychology and Cognitive Development of the Graduate School of Education at the University of California, Berkeley, highlighting chess skill acquisition and development, showed dramatic increase in students' fluid reasoning, as well as enhancing students' ability to better handle stressful situations, which positively influence decision making.

FISCAL EFFECT: None

REGISTERED SUPPORT / OPPOSITION:

Support

None on file

Opposition

None on file

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Introduced by Senator Pan

May 12, 2015

Senate Concurrent Resolution No. 61—Relative to Slavic Heritage Day.

LEGISLATIVE COUNSEL’S DIGEST

SCR 61, as introduced, Pan. Slavic Heritage Day.

This measure would recognize May 24, 2015, as Slavic Heritage Day.

Fiscal committee: no.

- 1 WHEREAS, For thousands of years, the Slavic people have
2 sustained a cultural diversity that showcases the rich traditions of
3 the Slavic ethnicities that are represented within the modern-day
4 European nations of Russia, Ukraine, Belarus, Bosnia and
5 Herzegovina, Bulgaria, Croatia, Czech Republic, Macedonia,
6 Montenegro, Poland, Serbia, Slovakia, and Slovenia; and
7 WHEREAS, Since the first Slavic settlers and traders set foot
8 in what is now Alaska and settled on the Aleutian island of Kodiak
9 in 1784, the Slavic people have been contributing bountifully to
10 the culture and history of the United States, have achieved great
11 success, strengthened the country, and helped shape the American
12 way of life through their deep commitment to faith, family, and
13 community; and
14 WHEREAS, When the first Slavic settlers came to this country,
15 they sought a place of promise where they could live in peace,
16 enjoy liberty, and economically prosper; and
17 WHEREAS, During the 19th century a number of Slavic
18 immigrants entered the United States as indentured servants who
19 were bonded to their masters and worked in mines, mills, or

1 sweatshops or as servants to end their indenture and earn their
2 freedom; and

3 WHEREAS, Whether Slavic immigrants were fleeing oppression
4 or persecution, or simply pursuing better lives for themselves and
5 their families, the desire to live in peace and eventually enjoy
6 liberty was so dearly valued that it drew generations of Slavic
7 immigrants to the United States in an effort to rebuild their lives;
8 and

9 WHEREAS, With longstanding roots in California that date
10 back more than 200 years with the establishment of colonies
11 including Fort Ross in 1812 by Russian settlers, the Slavic
12 community has forged its influence on the state through providing
13 support to settlers, crafts, technologies, and commercial enterprise;
14 and

15 WHEREAS, The Slavic American community has brought
16 invaluable cultural contributions to California by introducing its
17 rich culture, literature, and alphabet, which traces its origins to
18 ninth century Bulgaria, and these contributions have enhanced the
19 diversity and progress, as well as the cultural heritage, that the
20 state has and will continue to enjoy; and

21 WHEREAS, Slavic figure skaters, ballet dancers, symphony
22 orchestra conductors, composers and musicians, dancing bears,
23 literature, dramatic theatrical performances, and American
24 thespians such as Marilyn Monroe, Clint Eastwood, and Jack
25 Nicholson who were influenced by the methods of renowned Slavic
26 coaches which permeated Hollywood films and on the Broadway
27 stage are ubiquitous in contemporary American life; and

28 WHEREAS, Renowned Hollywood film creators, including
29 Alfred Hitchcock and Francis Ford Coppola, have cited their
30 inspiration for film editing and montage sequences from Slavic
31 film directors, and those influences continue to this day in modern
32 filmmaking, animation, and documentary films; and

33 WHEREAS, The inescapable influences of Slavic culture upon
34 California's performing arts, entertainment, and sports have
35 reshaped the state's culture through classical dance, the San
36 Francisco Ballet Company, and musical compositions through
37 Hollywood sound studios; and

38 WHEREAS, Slavic Heritage Day is the time when the rich
39 history of Slavic Americans is celebrated and their contributions
40 to this nation are honored; and

1 WHEREAS, Slavic Americans have continued their strong
2 support for liberty and ending discrimination in voting,
3 employment, public accommodation, and in society at large, by
4 prominently participating in virtually every civil rights effort in
5 the American experience, including those for women, farmworkers,
6 and the disabled; and

7 WHEREAS, As a nation of immigrants, the United States is
8 better and stronger because Slavic people from all over the world
9 have chosen to become American citizens; and

10 WHEREAS, To collectively advance the participation of Slavic
11 American businesses and ventures, the Slavic American Chamber
12 of Commerce was established with the mission to provide services
13 for, and facilitate the growth and success of, businesses that serve
14 the Slavic American community throughout California; and

15 WHEREAS, Slavic Americans continue to guide the nation's
16 progress as scientists, teachers, entrepreneurs, public servants,
17 private citizens, leaders, and parents; now, therefore, be it

18 *Resolved by the Senate of the State of California, the Assembly*
19 *thereof concurring*, That the Legislature recognizes May 24, 2015,
20 as Slavic Heritage Day, encourages all Californians to participate
21 in appropriate observances with activities that celebrate and
22 commemorate Slavic Heritage Day, and commends Slavic
23 Americans for their notable accomplishments and outstanding
24 service to the state and the nation; and be it further

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

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Date of Hearing: June 15, 2015

ASSEMBLY COMMITTEE ON RULES
Richard Gordon, Chair
SCR 61 (Pan) – As Introduced May 12, 2015

SENATE VOTE: 39-0

SUBJECT: Slavic Heritage Day.

SUMMARY: Recognizes May 24, 2015, as Slavic Heritage Day. Specifically, **this resolution** makes the following legislative findings:

- 1) Since the first Slavic settlers and traders set foot in what is now Alaska and settled on the Aleutian Island of Kodiak in 1784, the Slavic people have been contributing bountifully to the culture and history of the United States, have achieved great success, strengthened the country, and helped shape the American way of life through their deep commitment to faith, family, and community.
- 2) The Slavic American community has brought invaluable cultural contributions to California by introducing its rich culture, literature, and alphabet, which traces its origins to ninth century Bulgaria, and these contributions have enhanced the diversity and progress, as well as the cultural heritage, that the state has and will continue to enjoy.
- 3) Slavic Heritage Day is the time when the rich history of Slavic Americans is celebrated and their contributions to this nation are honored and as a nation of immigrants, the United States is better and stronger because Slavic people from all over the world have chosen to become American citizens.

FISCAL EFFECT: None

REGISTERED SUPPORT / OPPOSITION:

Support

None on file

Opposition

None on file

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AMENDED IN ASSEMBLY JUNE 8, 2015

SENATE BILL

No. 225

Introduced by Senator Wieckowski

February 13, 2015

~~An act to add Section 42889.5 to the Public Resources Code, relating to recycling. An act to amend Sections 117630 and 118275 of the Health and Safety Code, relating to medical waste.~~

LEGISLATIVE COUNSEL'S DIGEST

SB 225, as amended, Wieckowski. ~~Recycling; used tires. Medical waste.~~

Existing law, the Medical Waste Management Act, regulates the disposal of medical waste, including requiring specified biohazard materials to be disposed of in biohazard bags and requiring specified treatment for medical waste. Transportation, storage, treatment, or disposal of medical waste in a manner not authorized by the act is a crime. Existing law defines specified terms for purposes of the Medical Waste Management Act, including "biohazard bag." Existing law defines a biohazard bag to mean a film bag that is impervious to moisture. Existing law requires the film bags that are used for transport to be marked and certified by the manufacturer as having passed specified tests prescribed for tear resistance and for impact resistance. Existing law also imposes a specified labeling requirement on containers for nonradioactive pharmaceutical wastes that are not subject to a specified federal law and that are regulated as medical waste.

This bill would limit the application of the requirement that film bags used for transport be marked and certified by the manufacturer as having passed specified tests only to those film bags that are used for transport from the generator's facility onto roadways. The bill would

also make a clarifying change to the labeling requirement for containers for nonradioactive pharmaceutical waste.

~~Existing law, the California Integrated Waste Management Act, requires the Department of Resources Recycling and Recovery, when implementing the act, to promote certain waste management practices in the order of a specified priority, and to maximize the use of all feasible source reduction, recycling, and composting options. The California Tire Recycling Act, which is part of the California Integrated Waste Management Act, imposes a California tire fee on a new tire purchased in the state. The revenue generated from the fee is deposited in the California Tire Recycling Management Fund for expenditure, upon appropriation by the Legislature, for the purposes of programs related to waste tires. Existing law requires the department to adopt a 5-year plan, which is to be updated biennially, to establish goals and priorities for waste tire programs.~~

~~This bill would require the department, when adopting the 5-year plan and expending those appropriated funds, to ensure that the expenditure of funds pursuant to the California Tire Recycling Act, reflects the California Integrated Waste Management Act's priorities for waste reduction and recycling.~~

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

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

1 SECTION 1. Section 117630 of the Health and Safety Code is
2 amended to read:
3 117630. "Biohazard bag" means a disposable film bag that is
4 impervious to moisture. The film bags that are used for transport
5 from the generator's facility onto roadways shall be marked and
6 certified by the manufacturer as having passed the tests prescribed
7 for tear resistance in the American Society for Testing Materials
8 (ASTM) D1922, "Standard Test Method for Propagation Tear
9 Resistance of Plastic Film and Thin Sheeting by Pendulum
10 Method" and for impact resistance in ASTM-D-1709, D1709,
11 "Standard Test Methods for Impact Resistance of Plastic Film by
12 the Free-Falling Dart Method," as those documents were published
13 on January 1, 2014. The film bag shall meet an impact resistance
14 of 165 grams and a tearing resistance of 480 grams in both parallel
15 and perpendicular planes with respect to the length of the bag. The

1 color of the bag shall be red, except when yellow bags are used to
2 further segregate trace chemotherapy waste and white bags are
3 used to further segregate pathology waste.

4 *SEC. 2. Section 118275 of the Health and Safety Code is*
5 *amended to read:*

6 118275. (a) To containerize or store medical waste, at the
7 point of generation and while collected in that room, a person shall
8 do all of the following:

9 (1) Medical waste, as defined in Section 117690, shall be
10 contained separately from other waste at the point of origin in the
11 producing facility. Sharps containers may be placed in biohazard
12 bags or in containers with biohazard bags.

13 (2) Biohazardous waste, as defined in paragraph (1) of
14 subdivision (b) of Section 117690, shall be placed in a biohazard
15 bag conspicuously labeled with the words "Biohazardous Waste"
16 or with the international biohazard symbol and the word
17 "BIOHAZARD."

18 (3) Sharps waste, as defined in paragraph (4) of subdivision (b)
19 of Section 117690, including sharps and pharmaceutical waste
20 containerized pursuant to paragraph (7), shall be contained in a
21 United States Food and Drug Administration (USFDA) approved
22 sharps container that meets USFDA labeling requirements and is
23 handled pursuant to Section 118285.

24 (4) Trace chemotherapy waste, as defined in paragraph (5) of
25 subdivision (b) of Section 117690, shall be segregated for storage,
26 and, when placed in a secondary container, that container shall be
27 labeled with the words "Chemotherapy Waste," "CHEMO," or
28 other label approved by the department on the lid and sides, so as
29 to be visible from any lateral direction, to ensure treatment of the
30 biohazardous waste pursuant to Section 118222. Sharps waste that
31 is contaminated through contact with, or having previously
32 contained, chemotherapeutic agents, shall be placed in sharps
33 containers labeled in accordance with the industry standard with
34 the words "Chemotherapy Waste," "Chemo," or other label
35 approved by the department, and shall be segregated to ensure
36 treatment of the sharps waste pursuant to Section 118222.

37 (5) Pathology waste, as defined in paragraph (2) of subdivision
38 (b) of Section 117690, shall be segregated for storage and, when
39 placed in a secondary container, that container shall be labeled
40 with the words "Pathology Waste," "PATH," or other label

1 approved by the department on the lid and sides, so as to be visible
2 from any lateral direction, to ensure treatment of the waste pursuant
3 to Section 118222.

4 (6) Pharmaceutical waste, as defined in paragraph (3) of
5 subdivision (b) of Section 117690, shall be segregated for storage
6 in accordance with the facility's medical waste management plan.
7 When this waste is prepared for shipment offsite for treatment, it
8 shall be properly containerized for shipment in compliance with
9 United States Department of Transportation and United States
10 Drug Enforcement Agency (DEA) requirements.

11 (A) Pharmaceutical wastes classified by the DEA as "controlled
12 substances" shall be disposed of in compliance with DEA
13 requirements.

14 (B) Nonradioactive pharmaceutical wastes that are not subject
15 to the federal Resource Conservation and Recovery Act of 1976
16 (Public Law 94-580), as amended, and that are regulated as medical
17 waste are placed in a container or secondary container labeled with
18 the words "~~HIGH-HEAT-OR-INCINERATION~~ HEAT" or
19 "INCINERATION ONLY," or with another label approved by the
20 department, on the lid and sides, so as to be visible from any lateral
21 direction, to ensure treatment of the biohazardous waste pursuant
22 to Section 118222.

23 (7) A person may consolidate into a common container, which
24 may be reusable, sharps waste, as defined in paragraph (4) of
25 subdivision (b) of Section 117690, and pharmaceutical wastes, as
26 defined in paragraph (3) of subdivision (b) of Section 117690,
27 provided that both of the following apply:

28 (A) The consolidated waste is treated by incineration or
29 alternative treatment technologies approved to treat that waste
30 pursuant to paragraph (1) or (3) of subdivision (a) of Section
31 118215 prior to disposal. That alternative treatment shall render
32 the waste unrecoverable and nonhazardous.

33 (B) The container meets the requirements of Section 118285.
34 The container shall be labeled with the biohazardous waste symbol
35 and the words "~~HIGH-HEAT-OR-INCINERATION~~ HEAT" or
36 "INCINERATION ONLY," or with another label approved by the
37 department, on the lid and sides, so as to be visible from any lateral
38 direction, to ensure treatment of the waste pursuant to this
39 subdivision.

1 (b) To containerize medical waste being held for shipment
2 offsite for treatment, the waste shall be labeled, as outlined in
3 subdivision (a), on the lid and sides of the container.

4 (c) When medical waste is containerized pursuant to
5 subdivisions (a) and (b) there is no requirement to label the
6 containers with the date that the waste started to accumulate.

7 ~~SECTION 1. Section 42889.5 is added to the Public Resources~~
8 ~~Code, to read:~~

9 ~~42889.5. The department shall, when adopting the five-year~~
10 ~~plan pursuant to Section 42885.5, and expending funds~~
11 ~~appropriated to the department pursuant to Section 42889, ensure~~
12 ~~that the expenditure of funds pursuant to this chapter reflects the~~
13 ~~priorities for waste reduction and recycling specified in Section~~
14 ~~40051.~~

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DATE: June 9, 2015

TO: Chair Richard S. Gordon
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FROM: Senator Bob Wieckowski
State Capitol, Room 3086
Sacramento, CA 95814

SUBJECT: Request to Add Urgency Clause - SB 225

Dear Chair Richard S. Gordon,

I respectfully request to add urgency clause to SB 225.

This act is an urgency statute necessary for the immediate preservation of the public peace, health or safety within the meaning of Article IV of the Constitution. In order to ensure that necessary technical and clarifying changes to the laws governing the handling and disposal of medical waste are implemented as soon as possible, it is necessary that this act take effect immediately.

Thank you,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Robert A. Wieckowski".

BOB WIECKOWSKI
Senator, 10th District

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