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Monday, June 16, 2025
10 minutes prior to Session
State Capitol, Room 126

CONSENT AGENDA

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Memo

To: Rules Committee Members
From: Michael Erke, Bill Referral Consultant
Date: 6/13/2025
Re: Consent Bill Referrals

Since you received your preliminary list of bill referrals, SB 812 has been added to the referral list.

REFERRAL OF BILLS TO COMMITTEE

06/16/2025

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

Assembly Bill No.	Committee:
<u>ACA 8</u>	ELECTIONS
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<u>SB 254</u>	NAT. RES.
<u>SB 261</u>	L. & E.
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<u>SB 331</u>	HEALTH
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<u>SB 354</u>	P. & C.P.
<u>SB 356</u>	PUB. S.
<u>SB 357</u>	PUB. S.

<u>SB 371</u>	INS.
<u>SB 371</u>	C. & C.
<u>SB 380</u>	PUB. S.
<u>SB 403</u>	HEALTH
<u>SB 403</u>	JUD.
<u>SB 423</u>	PUB. S.
<u>SB 423</u>	NAT. RES.
<u>SB 433</u>	AGING & L.T.C.
<u>SB 433</u>	HUM. S.
<u>SB 435</u>	AGING & L.T.C.
<u>SB 435</u>	HUM. S.
<u>SB 451</u>	G.O.
<u>SB 453</u>	U. & E.
<u>SB 471</u>	HUM. S.
<u>SB 471</u>	JUD.
<u>SB 472</u>	ED.
<u>SB 483</u>	PUB. S.
<u>SB 498</u>	PUB. S.
<u>SB 500</u>	U. & E.
<u>SB 526</u>	NAT. RES.
<u>SB 536</u>	INS.
<u>SB 556</u>	W., P., & W.
<u>SB 562</u>	PUB. S.
<u>SB 562</u>	APPR.
<u>SB 569</u>	TRANS.
<u>SB 586</u>	TRANS.
<u>SB 586</u>	W., P., & W.
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<u>SB 596</u>	HEALTH
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<u>SB 681</u>	JUD.
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<u>SB 692</u>	PUB. S.
<u>SB 692</u>	TRANS.
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<u>SB 704</u>	PUB. S.
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<u>SB 718</u>	W., P., & W.
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<u>SB 727</u>	NAT. RES.
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<u>SB 759</u>	PUB. S.
<u>SB 761</u>	HIGHER ED.
<u>SB 761</u>	HUM. S.
<u>SB 763</u>	JUD.
<u>SB 763</u>	PUB. S.
<u>SB 770</u>	JUD.
<u>SB 770</u>	INS.
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<u>SB 771</u>	JUD.
<u>SB 775</u>	B. & P.
<u>SB 776</u>	B. & P.
<u>SB 777</u>	B. & P.
<u>SB 777</u>	L. GOV.
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<u>SB 786</u>	JUD.
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<u>SB 835</u>	ED.
<u>SB 835</u>	HIGHER ED.
<u>SB 842</u>	U. & E.

Assembly Concurrent Resolution

No. 1

Introduced by Assembly Member Quirk-Silva

December 2, 2024

Assembly Concurrent Resolution No. 1—Relative to K-Ginseng Day.

LEGISLATIVE COUNSEL’S DIGEST

ACR 1, as introduced, Quirk-Silva. K-Ginseng Day.

This measure would proclaim October 23, 2025, and the same date each year thereafter, as K-Ginseng Day in the State of California.

Fiscal committee: no.

1 WHEREAS, Ginseng’s history is deeply intertwined with ancient
2 Korean medical traditions where it was first documented in medical
3 texts over two millennia ago and recognized as a key component
4 in restoring and maintaining the body’s balance; and

5 WHEREAS, Asian ginseng is native to East Asia, including
6 China, Japan, and Korea, and has been used for health-related
7 purposes in traditional medicine for thousands of years. Korean
8 ginseng is also called insam; and

9 WHEREAS, The Korean Ministry of Agriculture, Food and
10 Rural Affairs and the Korea Ginseng Association designated
11 October 23 as Ginseng Day in 2016, and ginseng festivals are held
12 yearly in Geumsan, Ganghwa, and Punggi, which are representative
13 ginseng regions; and

14 WHEREAS, Korean red ginseng is especially recognized for
15 its superior quality and effectiveness, representing the legacy of

1 herbal wellness traditions passed down through generations and
2 symbolizing vitality and holistic wellness in modern life; and

3 WHEREAS, Korean red ginseng, originating from traditional
4 herbal practices, was historically valued by royalty and scholars
5 for its benefits in nourishing the body and enhancing cognitive
6 functions, and is still regarded as an essential supplement for
7 promoting health and longevity; and

8 WHEREAS, Among ginseng varieties, Korean red ginseng is
9 steamed to concentrate its active ingredients and improve
10 absorption, providing enhanced benefits for energy, immune health,
11 heart function, and mental sharpness; and

12 WHEREAS, Today, Korean red ginseng is widely used across
13 the world, offering a full range of benefits for overall health and
14 well-being; and

15 WHEREAS, The effects of Korean red ginseng extend beyond
16 physical health, offering benefits such as reducing fatigue,
17 promoting emotional well-being, and enhancing mental clarity,
18 which is crucial in today's fast-paced society; and

19 WHEREAS, During challenging times such as the COVID-19
20 pandemic, many people have turned to natural remedies such as
21 the Korean red ginseng to address blood health, stress, fatigue,
22 and immune health; and

23 WHEREAS, Incorporating Korean red ginseng into daily
24 routines, along with exercise, a balanced diet, and other holistic
25 practices, enhances natural energy, focus, and resilience, promoting
26 a healthier lifestyle; and

27 WHEREAS, In addition to being a cultural and medicinal staple,
28 Korean red ginseng's integration into various forms from teas and
29 soups to supplements and skincare has broadened its accessibility,
30 allowing individuals to incorporate its benefits into their daily
31 routines easily; and

32 WHEREAS, Individuals of all ages and backgrounds throughout
33 California and beyond recognize Korean red ginseng for its ability
34 to promote vitality and strengthen both the body and mind; now,
35 therefore, be it

36 *Resolved by the Assembly of the State of California, the Senate*
37 *thereof concurring*, That the Legislature proclaims October 23,
38 2025, and the same date each year thereafter, as K-Ginseng Day
39 in the State of California; and be it further

- 1 *Resolved*, That the Chief Clerk of the Assembly transmit copies
- 2 of this resolution to the author for appropriate distribution.

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Date of Hearing: June 16, 2025

ASSEMBLY COMMITTEE ON RULES
Blanca Pacheco, Chair
ACR 1 (Quirk-Silva) – As Introduced December 2, 2024

SUBJECT: K-Ginseng Day.

SUMMARY: Proclaims October 23, 2025, and the same date each year thereafter, as K-Ginseng Day in the State of California. Specifically, **this resolution** makes the following legislative findings:

- 1) Ginseng’s history is deeply intertwined with ancient Korean medical traditions where it was first documented in medical texts over two millennia ago, and recognized as a key component in restoring and maintaining the body’s balance. Asian ginseng is native to East Asia, including China, Japan, and Korea, and has been used for health-related purposes in traditional medicine for thousands of years. Korean ginseng is also called insam.
- 2) The Korean Ministry of Agriculture, Food and Rural Affairs and the Korea Ginseng Association designated October 23 as Ginseng Day in 2016, and ginseng festivals are held yearly in Geumsan, Ganghwa, and Punggi, which are representative ginseng regions.
- 3) Korean red ginseng is especially recognized for its superior quality and effectiveness, representing the legacy of herbal wellness traditions passed down through generations and symbolizing vitality and holistic wellness in modern life. It was historically valued by royalty and scholars for its benefits in nourishing the body and enhancing cognitive functions, and is still regarded as an essential supplement for promoting health and longevity.
- 4) Today, Korean red ginseng is widely used across the world, offering a full range of benefits for overall health and well-being. The effects of Korean red ginseng extend beyond physical health, offering benefits such as reducing fatigue, promoting emotional well-being, and enhancing mental clarity, which is crucial in today’s fast-paced society.
- 5) Incorporating Korean red ginseng into daily routines, along with exercise, a balanced diet, and other holistic practices, enhances natural energy, focus, and resilience, promoting a healthier lifestyle.

FISCAL EFFECT: This resolution is keyed non-fiscal by Legislative Counsel.

REGISTERED SUPPORT / OPPOSITION:

Support

None on file

Opposition

None on file

Analysis Prepared by: Michael Erke / RLS. / (916) 319-2800

Assembly Concurrent Resolution

No. 93

Introduced by Assembly Member Dixon

June 2, 2025

Assembly Concurrent Resolution No. 93—Relative to Aromatic L-Amino Acid Decarboxylase Deficiency Awareness Day.

LEGISLATIVE COUNSEL’S DIGEST

ACR 93, as introduced, Dixon. Aromatic L-Amino Acid Decarboxylase Deficiency Awareness Day.

This measure would designate October 23, 2025, as Aromatic L-Amino Acid Decarboxylase Deficiency Awareness Day.

Fiscal committee: no.

- 1 WHEREAS, A rare disease is generally considered to be a
2 disease that affects fewer than 200,000 people in the United States
3 at any given time; and
4 WHEREAS, There are more than 6,800 rare diseases.
5 Altogether, rare diseases affect an estimated 25,000,000 to
6 30,000,000, inclusive, Americans; and
7 WHEREAS, Some rare diseases are often severely debilitating,
8 impacting not only the patients but their families and loved ones,
9 and have no effective treatments; and
10 WHEREAS, Aromatic l-amino acid decarboxylase (AADC)
11 deficiency is a life-limiting, severely debilitating genetic neurologic
12 condition that significantly impacts a patient’s development, motor
13 skills, growth, and cognitive and language skills; and
14 WHEREAS, AADC deficiency results from an inherited genetic
15 disease where patients lack the AADC enzyme that is required to

1 create dopamine. Without dopamine, patients will never achieve
2 motor milestones like holding their heads up, sitting, or standing,
3 develop the ability to communicate, or perform the most basic of
4 life's needs. Patients are diagnosed through genetic and other
5 biochemical tests; and

6 WHEREAS, Patients suffering from AADC deficiency often
7 have low muscle tone that is unexplained and not improving. There
8 are also other symptoms, such as developmental delays and
9 involuntary eye movements; and

10 WHEREAS, AADC deficiency is a rare genetic neurological
11 disease, and there have been approximately 350 cases of AADC
12 Deficiency reported worldwide; and

13 WHEREAS, Caregivers of patients with AADC deficiency face
14 many challenges and are often responsible for the overall care of
15 the patient; and

16 WHEREAS, The Legislature can raise awareness of AADC
17 deficiency in the public and medical communities; now, therefore,
18 be it

19 *Resolved by the Assembly of the State of California, the Senate*
20 *thereof concurring*, That the Legislature designates October 23,
21 2025, as Aromatic L-Amino Acid Decarboxylase Deficiency
22 Awareness Day and encourages Californians to become better
23 informed about, and aware of, AADC deficiency; and be it further

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

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Date of Hearing: June 16, 2025

ASSEMBLY COMMITTEE ON RULES
Blanca Pacheco, Chair
ACR 93 (Dixon) – As Introduced June 2, 2025

SUBJECT: Aromatic L-Amino Acid Decarboxylase Deficiency Awareness Day.

SUMMARY: Designates October 23, 2025, as AADC Deficiency Awareness Day; and, encourages Californians to become better informed about, and aware of, AADC deficiency. Specifically, **this resolution** makes the following legislative findings:

- 1) A rare disease is generally considered to be a disease that affects fewer than 200,000 people in the United States at any given time. There are more than 6,800 rare diseases. Altogether, rare diseases affect an estimated 25-30 million Americans.
- 2) Some rare diseases are often severely debilitating, impacting not only the patients but their families and loved ones, and have no effective treatments.
- 3) Aromatic l-amino acid decarboxylase (AADC) deficiency is a life-limiting, severely debilitating genetic neurologic condition that significantly impacts a patient's development, motor skills, growth, and cognitive and language skills.
- 4) AADC deficiency results from an inherited genetic disease where patients lack the AADC enzyme that is required to create dopamine. Without dopamine, patients will never achieve motor milestones like holding their heads up, sitting, or standing, develop the ability to communicate, or perform the most basic of life's needs. Patients are diagnosed through genetic and other biochemical tests.
- 5) Patients suffering from AADC deficiency often have low muscle tone that is unexplained and not improving. There are also other symptoms, such as developmental delays and involuntary eye movements. AADC deficiency is a rare genetic neurological disease, and there have been approximately 350 cases of AADC deficiency reported worldwide.
- 6) The Legislature can raise awareness of AADC deficiency in the public and medical communities.

FISCAL EFFECT: This resolution is keyed non-fiscal by Legislative Counsel.

REGISTERED SUPPORT / OPPOSITION:

Support

None on file

Opposition

None on file

Analysis Prepared by: Michael Erke / RLS. / (916) 319-2800

Assembly Concurrent Resolution

No. 95

Introduced by Assembly Member Kalra

June 11, 2025

Assembly Concurrent Resolution No. 95—Relative to the 2025 International Day of Yoga.

LEGISLATIVE COUNSEL’S DIGEST

ACR 95, as introduced, Kalra. The 2025 International Day of Yoga. This measure would recognize June 21, 2025, as the 2025 International Day of Yoga in California.

Fiscal committee: no.

1 WHEREAS, For many years, yoga teachers and students desired
2 a collective global celebration of the over 5,000-year-old physical,
3 mental, and spiritual practice of yoga, including yoga teacher
4 Gurudev Sri Sri Ravi Shankar, who explained, “Yoga is a lifestyle
5 and should not be mistaken for only asanas. Yoga helps a human
6 being to unfold his full potential. Yoga improves the quality of
7 life, which is so much needed today. Yoga can wipe the tears and
8 bring smiles on every face. It can bring celebration and skill in
9 everyone’s life”; and
10 WHEREAS, In 2014, the United Nations General Assembly
11 declared June 21 the International Day of Yoga. During his address
12 to the General Assembly in support of declaring the global
13 celebration, the Prime Minister of India, Narendra Modi, observed,
14 “Yoga is an invaluable gift of India’s ancient tradition. It embodies
15 unity of mind and body; thought and action; restraint and
16 fulfillment; harmony between man and nature; a holistic approach

1 to health and well-being. It is not about exercise but to discover
2 the sense of oneness with yourself, the world and the nature”; and

3 WHEREAS, The word “yoga” is derived from the Sanskrit word
4 “yuj,” which means “to unite or integrate,” and one objective of
5 a yoga practice is to harmonize the body, spirit, and mind through
6 various breathing exercises, yoga poses, also called asanas, and
7 meditation. There are four yogas or paths detailed in the Bhagavad
8 Gita: Bhakti yoga (path of devotion); Jnana yoga (path of
9 knowledge); Raja yoga or ashtanga/classical yoga (path involving
10 physical exercises and postures, breathing exercises, concentration,
11 and meditation); and karma yoga (path of selfless and righteous
12 action); and

13 WHEREAS, California is home to many yoga teachers, students,
14 studios, and classes that have collectively contributed to the
15 significant growth of yoga throughout the United States. Yoga has
16 become one of the fastest growing wellness practices in the past
17 decade, with approximately 36,000,000 Americans estimated to
18 practice yoga regularly, and one in three Americans have at least
19 tried yoga once; and

20 WHEREAS, While yoga originated from Hindu and Vedic
21 traditions, yoga is currently practiced by people of different
22 cultures, traditions, religions, and nationalities, demonstrating that
23 all people have the shared goal to uplift the human experience;
24 and

25 WHEREAS, Yoga brings strength, stability, and unity within
26 the body, mind, and emotions. Recent studies suggest that
27 yoga-based interventions can be an effective treatment for various
28 health conditions and mental health disorders and complimentary
29 with traditional medical interventions and therapy. Regular yoga
30 practitioners report benefits such as reduction in stress, positive
31 increase in temperament, being physically stronger, and reduced
32 inflammation, pain, and stiffness; and

33 WHEREAS, Yoga can be more than a type of mental or physical
34 exercise. Yoga may be used as a means to discover a sense of
35 oneness and connection within oneself, other people, the world,
36 nature, and the universe. A regular practice of yoga may help
37 promote a healthy body, a violence-free society, a clear mind, an
38 open intellect, peacefulness with past experiences, a joyful soul,
39 and a strong breath; and

1 WHEREAS, This year marks the 11th International Day of Yoga
2 and people worldwide use this celebratory day to raise awareness
3 of the history, benefits, and teachings of yoga; now, therefore, be
4 it

5 *Resolved by the Assembly of the State of California, the Senate*
6 *thereof concurring*, That the Legislature hereby recognizes June
7 21, 2025, as the 2025 International Day of Yoga in California to
8 provide an opportunity to better understand the benefits of yoga
9 as a path to uplift the human experience; and be it further

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

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Date of Hearing: June 16, 2025

ASSEMBLY COMMITTEE ON RULES
Blanca Pacheco, Chair
ACR 95 (Kalra) – As Introduced June 11, 2025

SUBJECT: The 2025 International Day of Yoga.

SUMMARY: Recognizes June 21, 2025, as the 2025 International Day of Yoga in California to provide an opportunity to better understand the benefits of yoga as a path to uplift the human experience. Specifically, **this resolution** makes the following legislative findings:

- 1) For many years, yoga teachers and students desired a collective global celebration of the over 5,000-year-old physical, mental, and spiritual practice of yoga. In 2014, the United Nations General Assembly declared June 21 the International Day of Yoga.
- 2) The word “yoga” is derived from the Sanskrit word “yuj,” which means “to unite or integrate,” and one objective of a yoga practice is to harmonize the body, spirit, and mind through various breathing exercises, yoga poses, also called asanas, and meditation.
- 3) California is home to many yoga teachers, students, studios, and classes that have collectively contributed to the significant growth of yoga throughout the United States. Yoga has become one of the fastest growing wellness practices in the past decade, with approximately 36 million Americans estimated to practice yoga regularly, and one in three Americans have at least tried yoga once.
- 4) While yoga originated from Hindu and Vedic traditions, yoga is currently practiced by people of different cultures, traditions, religions, and nationalities, demonstrating that all people have the shared goal to uplift the human experience.
- 5) Yoga brings strength, stability, and unity within the body, mind, and emotions. Yoga can be more than a type of mental or physical exercise. Yoga may be used as a means to discover a sense of oneness and connection within oneself, other people, the world, nature, and the universe.
- 6) A regular practice of yoga may help promote a healthy body, a violence-free society, a clear mind, an open intellect, peacefulness with past experiences, a joyful soul, and a strong breath.
- 7) This year marks the 11th International Day of Yoga, and people worldwide use this celebratory day to raise awareness of the history, benefits, and teachings of yoga.

FISCAL EFFECT: This resolution is keyed non-fiscal by Legislative Counsel.

REGISTERED SUPPORT / OPPOSITION:

Support

None on file

Opposition

None on file

Analysis Prepared by: Michael Erke / RLS. / (916) 319-2800

House Resolution

No. 43

**Introduced by Assembly Member Ward
(Principal coauthors: Assembly Members Elhawary,
Mark González, Jackson, Lee, Solache, and Zbur)**

May 22, 2025

House Resolution No. 43—Relative to Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual, Transgender, and Queer (LGBTQ+) Pride Month.

- 1 WHEREAS, Our great state and nation strive to promote the
2 principles of equality and justice and the inalienable rights of all
3 people to life, liberty, and the pursuit of happiness; and
4 WHEREAS, California’s and America’s diversity is one of our
5 greatest strengths; and
6 WHEREAS, To achieve a more just and fair society, we must
7 teach our children to respect one another, to appreciate our
8 differences, and to recognize the common good in all of us; and
9 WHEREAS, Lesbian, gay, bisexual, transgender, and queer
10 people come from all walks of life, regardless of race, ethnicity,
11 color, religion, ancestry, national origin, economic status, physical
12 or mental ability, medical condition, sex, or gender identity or
13 expression; and
14 WHEREAS, More lesbian, gay, bisexual, transgender, and queer
15 people are being elected to public offices across the country,
16 playing in professional sports leagues, occupying the highest
17 positions in business and government, and serving as role models
18 for all; and
19 WHEREAS, Lesbian, gay, bisexual, transgender, and queer
20 people have made important and lasting contributions to our great
21 state and nation in every field of endeavor, including, but not

1 limited to, business, medicine, law, humanities, science, literature,
2 politics, education, music, philanthropy, sports and athletics, arts,
3 and culture, that enrich our national life; and

4 WHEREAS, Then-Mayor of San Francisco, Gavin Newsom,
5 started issuing marriage licenses to same-sex couples on February
6 12, 2004, being deemed “Winter of Love”; and

7 WHEREAS, In 2012, for the first time in the history of the
8 United States, a sitting President, former President Barack Obama,
9 affirmed support for the fundamental right to marry, regardless of
10 sexual orientation or gender; and

11 WHEREAS, The United States Supreme Court struck down a
12 provision of the federal Defense of Marriage Act (DOMA), which
13 barred the federal government from recognizing same-sex
14 marriages, affirming that all loving and committed couples who
15 are married deserve equal treatment and respect; and

16 WHEREAS, The United States Supreme Court ruled that
17 sponsors of Proposition 8, which banned same-sex marriage in
18 California in 2008, had no standing to appeal the federal trial
19 court’s decision that Proposition 8 is unconstitutional, thereby
20 restoring marriage equality in California; and

21 WHEREAS, The United States Supreme Court has found a
22 constitutional basis for marriage equality, granting millions of
23 lesbian, gay, bisexual, transgender, and queer individuals across
24 the country the ability to marry people whom they love; and

25 WHEREAS, Married same-sex couples now enjoy the same
26 rights and privileges granted to other married couples, including
27 joint tax filings, military benefits, family and medical leave, and
28 the ability to sponsor a foreign spouse; and

29 WHEREAS, On December 13, 2022, President Joseph R. Biden
30 signed into law the Respect for Marriage Act, which statutorily
31 repealed DOMA and ensured that the federal government and all
32 state governments continue to recognize and respect all marriages,
33 without discrimination based on gender, sexual orientation, national
34 origin, ethnicity, or race; and

35 WHEREAS, While the Respect for Marriage Act was a good
36 first step, federal law still falls short of upholding the right of
37 couples to marriage equality in all 50 United States and its
38 territories, as it does not codify marriage equality rights in federal
39 statute; and

1 WHEREAS, In 2023, the State of California passed Assembly
2 Constitutional Amendment 5 (Chapter 125 of the Statutes of 2023),
3 which became Proposition 3 at the November 5, 2024, statewide
4 general election, which was significantly passed by the voters,
5 thus repealing the stain of Proposition 8 from the California
6 Constitution and enshrining people’s right to marriage equality;
7 and

8 WHEREAS, An unprecedented number of adults in the United
9 States identify as LGBTQ+, with a jump from 7.6 percent to 9.3
10 percent of Americans who identify as lesbian, gay, bisexual,
11 transgender, or queer in 2024. Young people, especially Generation
12 Z, are driving the increase; and

13 WHEREAS, The transgender, gender-diverse, and intersex
14 (TGI) community in particular has gained newfound prominence
15 in media, entertainment, sports, and business, raising awareness
16 about gender identity and the obstacles this community continues
17 to face; and

18 WHEREAS, In 2021, President Biden became the first American
19 president to issue a formal presidential proclamation recognizing
20 Transgender Day of Visibility; and

21 WHEREAS, While our great state and nation have progressed
22 in our journey toward dignity, understanding, and mutual respect
23 for all, we still have a long way to go in eradicating the prejudice
24 and discrimination that lesbian, gay, bisexual, transgender, and
25 queer people and their families encounter, and to this end, we
26 continue working for the passage of the inclusive federal Equality
27 Act, comprehensive immigration reform, and increased awareness
28 of the difficulties facing the transgender community; and

29 WHEREAS, Friends and allies of the LGBTQ+ community
30 have shown considerable support and commitment to the struggles
31 of lesbian, gay, bisexual, transgender, and queer people at home
32 and abroad; and

33 WHEREAS, To build a more robust and better state and nation,
34 we must continue to help advance the cause of equality for all
35 people; and

36 WHEREAS, Each year, June marks the anniversary of the
37 Stonewall Uprising that gave birth to the modern lesbian, gay,
38 bisexual, transgender, and queer civil rights movement; and

39 WHEREAS, The first New York City Pride Rally occurred one
40 month after the Stonewall Uprising in June 1969, when 500 people

1 gathered for a “Gay Power” demonstration in Washington Square
2 Park, followed by a candlelight vigil in Sheridan Square; and

3 WHEREAS, On the 50th anniversary of the Stonewall Uprising,
4 the NYC Pride organization simultaneously hosted “WorldPride”
5 during its 2019 season. This was the first WorldPride celebration
6 hosted on United States soil, and the second North American
7 WorldPride in the event’s over 20-year history; and

8 WHEREAS, Around the same time as the Stonewall Uprising,
9 LGBTQ+ people, and in particular trans women of color, led
10 advocacy for the LGBTQ+ rights movement in the State of
11 California and the United States, from the 1966 Compton’s
12 Cafeteria riot in the City of San Francisco to the 1958 Cooper
13 Do-nuts riot, 1967 Black Cat Tavern protests, and 1968 Patch Bar
14 “Flower Power” protest, all in the City of Los Angeles; and

15 WHEREAS, June 2019 marked the first annual proclamation
16 of the month as LGBTQ+ Pride Month by the Governor of
17 California; and

18 WHEREAS, In January 2023, California became the first state
19 legislature in the nation to reach 10-percent representation for
20 LGBTQ+ individuals, matching the estimated 10 percent of people
21 identifying as LGBTQ+ in California; and

22 WHEREAS, In January 2025, California once again became
23 the first state legislature in the nation to reach 12-percent
24 representation for LGBTQ+ individuals; and

25 WHEREAS, While California’s Legislature has achieved record
26 representation, the Legislature still does not have any transgender
27 or two-spirit representation, further calling on the need to achieve
28 representation from all members of the two-spirit, lesbian, gay,
29 bisexual, transgender, and queer community; and

30 WHEREAS, California now has nearly 200 openly LGBTQ+
31 elected officials across our great state; and

32 WHEREAS, While California is a leader in defending the rights
33 and safety of LGBTQ+ people, our state is not immune to the
34 national wave of LGBTQ+ hate, violence, and political attacks,
35 which disproportionately impacts TGI people particularly.
36 California’s commitment to the LGBTQ+ community is needed
37 even more in the face of rising extremism and hostility here and
38 across the nation and globe; and

1 WHEREAS, Nationally, there are already nearly 600
2 anti-LGBTQ+ bills introduced in state legislatures across the nation
3 as of April during the 2025 legislative year; and

4 WHEREAS, The aforementioned anti-LGBTQ+ bills
5 disproportionately target TGI people and include efforts to prohibit
6 access to lifesaving gender-affirming health care, prevent TGI
7 youth from playing school sports alongside their friends, erase
8 TGI identities from vital records and state driver's licenses, ban
9 books that include TGI people and history, prohibit TGI people
10 from using restrooms and facilities in accordance with their gender
11 identity, and criminalize TGI people who bravely embrace their
12 authentic selves amid rising hostility; and

13 WHEREAS, According to the Williams Institute at the
14 University of California, Los Angeles School of Law, the legal
15 landscape for trans youth shifted significantly in 2023, and 105,200
16 trans youth, about one-third of trans youth in the United States,
17 live in states that ban access to gender-affirming care, 101,500
18 trans youth, about one-third of trans youth in the United States,
19 live in states that restrict access to school sports for trans students,
20 and 32,700 trans youth live in states that ban trans students from
21 using school bathrooms and other facilities that align with their
22 gender identity; and

23 WHEREAS, California has become a safe haven for many
24 LGBTQ+ people across the United States, its territories, and
25 beyond, including for its access to health care and robust civil
26 rights laws allowing LGBTQ+ people to live their authentic lives;
27 and

28 WHEREAS, Antitrans legislation, executive actions, local
29 ordinances, school policies, practices, misinformation, and rhetoric
30 endanger the psychological and physical well-being of TGI youth,
31 with 86 percent of TGI youth reporting these actions negatively
32 impacting their mental health, as well as 45 percent reporting they
33 experienced online harassment, 24 percent reporting they were
34 bullied in school, 27 percent reporting they have been physically
35 threatened or harmed due to their gender identity, and 64 percent
36 reporting that they have felt discriminated against due to their
37 gender identity; and

38 WHEREAS, Discriminatory legislation, executive actions, local
39 ordinances, school policies, practices, misinformation, and rhetoric
40 across the country and here in California have all contributed to

1 rising hate and violence directed against members of the TGI
2 community, in particular Black trans women, prompting a number
3 of civil rights organizations to declare an epidemic of violence
4 against TGI people; and

5 WHEREAS, The latest Federal Bureau of Investigation (FBI)
6 annual crime report showed that anti-LGBTQ+ hate crimes were
7 up sharply from the prior year, with a 33-percent increase in crimes
8 based on gender identity; and

9 WHEREAS, Lesbian, gay, bisexual, transgender, and queer
10 people have had their resiliency tested in the face of a severe
11 uprising in hate crimes across the nation, but are resolved to come
12 back stronger than ever in the face of adversity; and

13 WHEREAS, The LGBTQ+ community is united now more than
14 ever to combat hate and hostility against our community with
15 community empowerment and education; and

16 WHEREAS, The annual recognition of LGBTQ+ Pride Month
17 provides an opportunity for the community to come together, take
18 stock, and recognize the advances and setbacks made in the past
19 year, as well as providing a chance for the community to come
20 together and celebrate in a festive, affirming atmosphere; and

21 WHEREAS, June 1 to June 30 spotlights LGBTQ+ people and
22 their voices, increases awareness and knowledge of issues
23 impacting the LGBTQ+ community, and commemorates lives lost
24 to hate and violence, as well as health epidemics, amongst
25 additional efforts to support the diverse LGBTQ+ community; and

26 WHEREAS, Visibility for LGBTQ+ people comes in a variety
27 of diverse forms, such as showcasing LGBTQ+ stories through
28 art, storytelling, and media, LGBTQ+ people sharing their affirmed
29 names with their families, loved ones, and colleagues, pushing
30 back against attempts to erase the LGBTQ+ community by
31 organizing demonstrations and moving throughout the world
32 openly and authentically, and uplifting the power and beauty of
33 LGBTQ+ people by elevating positive narratives that highlight
34 trans joy, love, and community; and

35 WHEREAS, LGBTQ+ people include, but are not limited to,
36 parents, siblings, children, family, friends, colleagues, congregants,
37 parishioners, neighbors, and caretakers, all deserving of human
38 dignity, safety, and support; and

39 WHEREAS, Lesbian, gay, bisexual, transgender, and queer
40 people, their families and friends, and all those committed to justice

1 and equality celebrate, during the month of June, the rich culture,
2 the notable achievements, and the outstanding services that lesbian,
3 gay, bisexual, transgender, and queer people make to our great
4 state, nation, and territories; now, therefore, be it

5 *Resolved by the Assembly of the State of California, That the*
6 *Assembly proclaims June 2025 as Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual,*
7 *Transgender, and Queer (LGBTQ+) Pride Month, urges all*
8 *Californians to join in celebrating the culture, accomplishments,*
9 *and contributions of lesbian, gay, bisexual, transgender, and queer*
10 *people, and encourages the people of California to work to help*
11 *advance the cause of equality for lesbian, gay, bisexual,*
12 *transgender, and queer people and their families; and be it further*

13 *Resolved, That the Chief Clerk of the Assembly transmit copies*
14 *of this resolution to the Members of the Legislature and to the*
15 *author for appropriate distribution.*

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Date of Hearing: June 16, 2025

ASSEMBLY COMMITTEE ON RULES
Blanca Pacheco, Chair
HR 43 (Ward) – As Introduced May 22, 2025

SUBJECT: Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual, Transgender, and Queer (LGBTQ+) Pride Month.

SUMMARY: Proclaims June 2025 as Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual, Transgender, and Queer (LGBTQ+) Pride Month; and, urges all Californians to join in celebrating the culture, accomplishments, and contributions of lesbian, gay, bisexual, transgender, and queer people. Specifically, **this resolution** makes the following legislative findings:

- 1) Our great state and nation strives to promote the principles of equality and justice, and the inalienable rights of all people to life, liberty, and the pursuit of happiness. To achieve a more just and fair society, we must teach our children to respect one another, to appreciate our differences, and to recognize the common good in all of us.
- 2) LGBTQ+ people come from all walks of life, regardless of race, ethnicity, color, religion, ancestry, national origin, economic status, physical or mental ability, medical condition, sex, or gender identity or expression.
- 3) LGBTQ+ people have made important and lasting contributions to our great state and nation in every field of endeavor, including, but not limited to, business, medicine, law, humanities, science, literature, politics, education, music, philanthropy, sports and athletics, arts, and culture, that enrich our national life.
- 4) While our great state and nation have progressed in our journey toward dignity, understanding, and mutual respect for all, we still have a long way to go in eradicating the prejudice and discrimination that lesbian, gay, bisexual, transgender, and queer people and their families encounter.
- 5) Each year, June marks the anniversary of the Stonewall Uprising that gave birth to the modern lesbian, gay, bisexual, transgender, and queer civil rights movement. The first New York City Pride Rally occurred one month after the Stonewall Uprising in June 1969, when 500 people gathered for a “Gay Power” demonstration in Washington Square Park, followed by a candlelight vigil in Sheridan Square.
- 6) On the 50th anniversary of the Stonewall Uprising, the NYC Pride organization simultaneously hosted “WorldPride” during its 2019 season. This was the first WorldPride celebration hosted on United States soil, and the second North American WorldPride in the event’s over 20 year history.
- 7) June 2019 marked the first annual proclamation of the month as LGBTQ+ Pride Month by the Governor of California.
- 8) On December 13, 2022, President Joseph R. Biden signed into law the Respect for Marriage Act, which statutorily repealed the Defense of Marriage Act, and ensured that the federal government and all state governments continue to recognize and respect all marriages, without discrimination based on gender, sexual orientation, national origin, ethnicity, or race.

- 9) In January 2023, California became the first state legislature in the nation to reach 10 percent representation for LGBTQ+ individuals, matching the estimated 10 percent of people identifying as LGBTQ+ in California.
- 10) Nationally, there are already nearly 600 anti-LGBTQ+ bills introduced in state legislatures across the nation as of April during the 2025 legislative year.
- 11) Lesbian, gay, bisexual, transgender, and queer people, their families and friends, and all those committed to justice and equality celebrate, during the month of June, the rich culture, the notable achievements, and the outstanding services that lesbian, gay, bisexual, transgender, and queer people make to our great state, nation, and territories.

FISCAL EFFECT: This resolution is keyed non-fiscal by Legislative Counsel.

REGISTERED SUPPORT / OPPOSITION:

Support

None on file

Opposition

None on file

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