

Assembly California Legislature **Committee on Rules**

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Monday, July 14, 2025 10 minutes prior to Session State Capitol, Room 126

CONSENT AGENDA

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Memo

| To: | Rules Committee Members |
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| From: | Michael Erke, Bill Referral Consultant |
| Date: | 7/11/2025 |
| Re: | Consent Bill Referrals |

Attached is a list of referral recommendations.

REFERRAL OF BILLS TO COMMITTEE

07/14/2025

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

| Assembly Bill No. | Committee: |
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| <u>ACR 106</u> | RLS. |
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CALIFORNIA LEGISLATURE—2025–26 REGULAR SESSION

Introduced by Assembly Member Jackson

January 13, 2025

Assembly Concurrent Resolution No. 13—Relative to International Day of Peace.

LEGISLATIVE COUNSEL'S DIGEST

ACR 13, as introduced, Jackson. International Day of Peace.

This measure would recognize and proclaim September 21, 2025, as the International Day of Peace.

Fiscal committee: no.

1 WHEREAS, Established in 1981 by a unanimous UN resolution,

2 the International Day of Peace is a United Nations-sanctioned

3 holiday dedicated to promoting global peace and nonviolence; and

4 WHEREAS, The International Day of Peace serves as a shared

5 moment for humanity to reflect on the ideals of peace and work

6 toward a culture of harmony across nations, communities, and7 individuals; and

8 WHEREAS, The observance of the International Day of Peace 9 is marked by significant events, including the ringing of the Peace 10 Bell in the United Nations headquarters, which serves as a solemn 11 reminder of the human cost of war and a call to action for collective 12 afforts toward peace; and

12 efforts toward peace; and

WHEREAS, By designating a day for cease-fire and
humanitarian efforts, the International Day of Peace creates
opportunities to address immediate crises while fostering long-term
solutions and provides a global platform for dialogue and education

on conflict resolution, cooperation, and the cessation of violence;
 and

3 WHEREAS, Each International Day of Peace presents a theme,

4 such as 2024's "Cultivating a Culture of Peace," encouraging 5 collaboration among nations, organizations, and communities to

tackle pressing global challenges and promote sustainable peace
 initiatives; and

WHEREAS, The International Day of Peace matters because it highlights the universal importance of justice, equity, and human rights in achieving lasting harmony; in a world marked by geopolitical tensions and social inequalities, the International Day of Peace reminds us of our shared responsibility to build bridges instead of walls; and

14 WHEREAS, The International Day of Peace serves as a powerful

15 reminder that peace is not merely the absence of war, but the active

presence of understanding, compassion, and solidarity, making itan essential foundation for a stable and prosperous future; now,

18 therefore, be it

19 *Resolved by the Assembly of the State of California, the Senate*

20 *thereof concurring*, That the Legislature hereby recognizes and

proclaims September 21, 2025, as the International Day of Peace;
and be it further

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

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ACR 13 Page 1

Date of Hearing: July 14, 2025

ASSEMBLY COMMITTEE ON RULES Blanca Pacheco, Chair ACR 13 (Jackson) – As Introduced January 13, 2025

SUBJECT: International Day of Peace.

SUMMARY: Recognizes and proclaims September 21, 2025, as the International Day of Peace. Specifically, **this resolution** makes the following legislative findings:

- 1) Established in 1981 by a unanimous UN resolution, the International Day of Peace is a United Nations-sanctioned holiday dedicated to promoting global peace and nonviolence.
- 2) The International Day of Peace serves as a shared moment for humanity to reflect on the ideals of peace and work toward a culture of harmony across nations, communities, and individuals.
- 3) The observance of the International Day of Peace is marked by significant events, including the ringing of the Peace Bell in the United Nations headquarters, which serves as a solemn reminder of the human cost of war and a call to action for collective efforts toward peace.
- 4) By designating a day for cease-fire and humanitarian efforts, the International Day of Peace creates opportunities to address immediate crises while fostering long-term solutions and provides a global platform for dialogue and education on conflict resolution, cooperation, and the cessation of violence.
- 5) The International Day of Peace serves as a powerful reminder that peace is not merely the absence of war, but the active presence of understanding, compassion, and solidarity, making it an essential foundation for a stable and prosperous future.

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

CALIFORNIA LEGISLATURE—2025–26 REGULAR SESSION

Introduced by Assembly Members Kalra and Patel

June 18, 2025

Assembly Concurrent Resolution No. 100—Relative to India's Independence Day.

LEGISLATIVE COUNSEL'S DIGEST

ACR 100, as introduced, Kalra. India's Independence Day.

This measure would recognize August 15, 2025, as India's Independence Day and urge all Californians to join in celebrating India's independence.

Fiscal committee: no.

1 WHEREAS, As the day began on August 15, 1947, at the stroke

2 of midnight, the first Prime Minister of India, Jawaharlal Nehru,

3 gave his famous Tryst with Destiny speech proclaiming India's

4 independence; and

5 WHEREAS, The Tryst with Destiny speech captured the essence

6 of the nonviolent Indian freedom struggle against British colonial7 rule in India: and

8 WHEREAS, India's Independence Day is one of the most 9 important national holidays in India. The biggest event of the day 10 takes place in Delhi, where the Prime Minister hoists the national 11 flag at the Red Fort, delivers a nationally televised speech that 12 highlights the achievements of the government, discusses current

13 issues and future plans for progress, and pays tribute to the leaders

14 of India's struggle for freedom; and

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No. 100

WHEREAS, India's Independence Day is celebrated on August
15 of each year to commemorate its independence. It was
celebrated by 400 million Indians in 1947 and today is celebrated
by over one billion people living in India and many people living
in other parts of the world, including California, which is home to
the largest population of Asian Indians in the United States; and
WHEREAS, The local community of people in California who

8 hail from India, or with ancestral ties to India, continually
9 demonstrate the greatness and beauty of their homeland, and their
10 contributions are notable and reflect success in many industries
11 and community activism; and

WHEREAS, Ever since August 15, 1947, India's nonviolent struggle for freedom, its rejection of terrorism and extremism, and its belief in democracy, tolerance, and the rule of law have been an inspiration and beacon of hope for people around the world; and

WHEREAS, India's example has had a profound effect on many 17 18 countries, including the United States. Leaders of our civil rights movement, including Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr., spoke about the 19 20 debt they owed to Mahatma Gandhi. Ties between our two peoples have never been stronger. The over three million members of the 21 22 Indian American community are living examples of the bonds that 23 bind our nations together, and their accomplishments have become 24 well-known and admired in both countries; and 25 WHEREAS, In 2023, India became the world's most populous

country, with over 1.438 billion people. India has long been the
world's largest democracy by population, with more than one
billion citizens who are eligible to vote; now, therefore, be it

29 *Resolved by the Assembly of the State of California, the Senate*

30 thereof concurring, That the Legislature hereby recognizes August

31 15, 2025, as India's Independence Day and urges all Californians

32 to join in celebrating India's independence; and be it further

33 *Resolved*, That the Chief Clerk of the Assembly transmit copies

34 of this resolution to the author for appropriate distribution.

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ACR 100 Page 1

Date of Hearing: July 14, 2025

ASSEMBLY COMMITTEE ON RULES Blanca Pacheco, Chair ACR 100 (Kalra) – As Introduced June 18, 2025

SUBJECT: India's Independence Day.

SUMMARY: Recognizes August 15, 2025, as India's Independence Day and urges all Californians to join in celebrating India's independence. Specifically, **this resolution** makes the following legislative findings:

- As the day began on August 15, 1947, at the stroke of midnight, the first Prime Minister of India, Jawaharlal Nehru, gave his famous Tryst with Destiny speech proclaiming India's independence. The Tryst with Destiny speech captured the essence of the nonviolent Indian freedom struggle against British colonial rule in India.
- 2) India's Independence Day is one of the most important national holidays in India. The biggest event of the day takes place in Delhi where the Prime Minister hoists the national flag at the Red Fort, delivers a nationally televised speech that highlights the achievements of the government, discusses current issues and future plans for progress, and pays tribute to the leaders of India's struggle for freedom.
- 3) India's Independence Day is celebrated on August 15 of each year to commemorate its independence. It was celebrated by 400 million Indians in 1947 and today is celebrated by over one billion people living in India, and many people living in other parts of the world, including California, which is home to the largest population of Asian Indians in the United States.
- 4) Ever since August 15, 1947, India's nonviolent struggle for freedom, its rejection of terrorism and extremism, and its belief in democracy, tolerance, and the rule of law have been an inspiration and beacon of hope for people around the world.
- 5) India's example has had a profound effect on many countries, including the United States. The over three million members of the Indian American community are living examples of the bonds that bind our nations together and their accomplishments have become well-known and admired in both countries.

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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Introduced by Assembly Member Ramos

June 25, 2025

Assembly Concurrent Resolution No. 102—Relative to California Native American Day and the California Indian Cultural Awareness Conference.

LEGISLATIVE COUNSEL'S DIGEST

ACR 102, as introduced, Ramos. California Native American Day and the California Indian Cultural Awareness Conference.

This measure would recognize the importance of California Native American Day, celebrated this year on September 26, 2025, and the annual California Indian Cultural Awareness Conference, to the enhancement of awareness of California Indian culture.

Fiscal committee: no.

- 1 WHEREAS, More Native Americans call California home and
- 2 the state includes more federally recognized Indian tribes than any
- 3 other state in the United States of America; and
- 4 WHEREAS, The cultural and governmental contributions of
- 5 the Native people of California have shaped the course of the state6 throughout history; and
- 7 WHEREAS, California designates the fourth Friday of every
 8 September as Native American Day; and
- 9 WHEREAS, California Native American Day is celebrated in
- 10 this state by tribes and communities across the state, and is a day
- 11 for educators of California to teach factual California Indian history
- 12 in schools; and

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WHEREAS, California Indian tribes are committed to continue
 contributing to the educational curricula provided by the state and

3 believe in providing new and improved educational resources about

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4 the varied cultural histories of, and governance models used by,

5 California Native Americans; and

6 WHEREAS, One notable example of the preservation and 7 teaching of that varied cultural history is Robert Levi, a Torres 8 Martinez Desert Cahuilla Indian from the Torres Martinez Indian 9 Reservation, who was instrumental in retaining and teaching Desert 10 Cahuilla bird songs to connect all with ancient knowledge of the world and tell the story of how the ancestors came to the 11 12 homelands; and 13 WHEREAS, Significant legislation has been passed in both 14 houses and signed into law by Governor Gavin Newsom since 15 2018, such as Assembly Bill 2022 (2021), an act prohibiting the

use of a racist and misogynistic slur for geographic features and
place names in the State of California, and Assembly Bill 338
(2021), an act replacing a monument on the State Capitol grounds
with a monument created with the input of local tribal nations; and

WHEREAS, Significant legislation has been passed to increase collaboration between tribes and local agencies, including Assembly Bill 1703 (2021), commonly referred to as the California Indian Education Act, encouraging local educational agencies to collaborate with tribes local to their area on Native American

studies, and Assembly Bill 1284 (2024), an act authorizing the
Natural Resources Agency to enter into cogovernance and
comanagement agreements with federally recognized tribes to
manage shared natural resources; and

29 WHEREAS, Significant legislation has been passed to address 30 the crisis of missing and murdered indigenous people, including 31 Assembly Bill 1314 (2022), an act establishing the Feather Alert, 32 a notification system for missing or murdered indigenous people; 33 Assembly Bill 2108 (2024), an act refining the notification 34 practices of the foster care system when youth go missing; and 35 Assembly Bill 2348 (2024), an act making the process for requesting a Feather Alert much easier for families when loved 36 37 ones go missing; and

WHEREAS, This year marked the third annual Missing and
Murdered Indigenous People Candlelight Vigil on the Capitol
grounds in recognition of the crisis that plagues the tribal

community within this state and to remember those who have been
 lost; and

3 WHEREAS, In 2024, California held its first National Native 4 American Heritage Month Parade at the Capitol Mall, celebrating

5 the diverse cultures and people from the different tribal 6 communities across California; and

7 WHEREAS, In 2024, California held its first California Indian

8 Cultural Education Day at the Capitol grounds where students

9 learned about tribal culture through active participation with 10 California tribes: and

WHEREAS, This is the seventh California Native American Day since Governor Gavin Newsom issued an executive order apologizing for the historical wrongs tolerated, encouraged, subsidized, and committed by state actors against California Native

15 Americans; and

16 WHEREAS, We can never undo the wrongs inflicted on the 17 people who have lived on this land that we now call home, but we 18 can work together to build bridges, tell the truth about California's

19 past, and begin to heal deep wounds; and

20 WHEREAS, The Governor has also called for a California Truth 21 and Healing Council to hear testimony and clarify the historical

record on the relationship between the state and California Native

23 Americans; and

WHEREAS, The California Indian Cultural Awareness
Conference will be held concurrently with California Native
American Day and will assist educators by providing new
educational resources regarding the rich and varied lives of the
California Indian Nations; now, therefore, be it

29 *Resolved by the Assembly of the State of California, the Senate*

30 *thereof concurring*, That the Legislature recognizes the importance 31 of California Native American Day, celebrated this year on

32 September 26, 2025, and the annual California Indian Cultural

33 Awareness Conference, to the enhancement of awareness of

34 California Indian culture; and be it further

35 *Resolved*, That the Chief Clerk of the Assembly transmit copies

36 of this resolution to the author for appropriate distribution.

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Date of Hearing: July 14, 2025

ASSEMBLY COMMITTEE ON RULES Blanca Pacheco, Chair ACR 102 (Ramos) – As Introduced June 25, 2025

SUBJECT: California Native American Day and the California Indian Cultural Awareness Conference.

SUMMARY: Recognizes the importance of California Native American Day, celebrated this year on September 26, 2025, and the annual California Indian Cultural Awareness Conference, to the enhancement of awareness of California Indian culture. Specifically, **this resolution** makes the following legislative findings:

- More Native Americans call California home and the state includes more federally recognized Indian tribes than any other state in the United States. The cultural and governmental contributions of the Native people of California have shaped the course of the state throughout history.
- 2) California designates the fourth Friday of every September as Native American Day. California Native American Day is celebrated in this state by tribes and communities across the state, and is a day for educators of California to teach factual California Indian history in schools.
- California Indian tribes are committed to continue contributing to the educational curricula provided by the state and believe in providing new and improved educational resources about the varied cultural histories of, and governance models used by, California Native Americans.
- 4) This is the seventh California Native American Day since Governor Gavin Newsom issued an executive order apologizing for the historical wrongs tolerated, encouraged, subsidized, and committed by state actors against California Native Americans.
- 5) Significant legislation signed into law since 2018, includes: Assembly Bill 338 (2021), an act replacing a monument on the State Capitol grounds with a monument created with the input of local tribal nations; Assembly Bill 1703 (2021), commonly referred to as the California Indian Education Act; Assembly Bill 1314 (2022), an act establishing the Feather Alert, a notification system for missing or murdered indigenous people; Assembly Bill 2022 (2022), an act prohibiting the use of a racist and misogynistic slur for geographic features and place names in the State of California; Assembly Bill 1284 (2024), an act authorizing the Natural Resources Agency to enter into co-governance and co-management agreements with federally recognized tribes to manage shared natural resources; Assembly Bill 2108 (2024), an act refining the notification practices of the foster care system when youth go missing; and, Assembly Bill 2348 (2024), an act making the process for requesting a Feather Alert much easier for families when loved ones go missing.
- 6) We can never undo the wrongs inflicted on the people who have lived on this land that we now call home, but we can work together to build bridges, tell the truth about California's past, and begin to heal deep wounds.

- 7) The Governor has also called for a Truth and Healing Council to hear testimony and clarify the historical record on the relationship between the state and California Native Americans.
- 8) The California Indian Cultural Awareness Conference will be held concurrently with California Native American Day and will assist educators by providing new educational resources regarding the rich and varied lives of the California Indian Nations.

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

CALIFORNIA LEGISLATURE—2025–26 REGULAR SESSION

Assembly Concurrent Resolution

No. 106

Introduced by Assembly Member Kalra (Principal coauthor: Senator Ashby)

July 10, 2025

Assembly Concurrent Resolution No. 106—Relative to Court Adoption and Permanency Month.

LEGISLATIVE COUNSEL'S DIGEST

ACR 106, as introduced, Kalra. Court Adoption and Permanency Month.

This measure would declare November 2025 as Court Adoption and Permanency Month.

Fiscal committee: no.

WHEREAS, Juvenile court judges are uniquely responsible for
the care, supervision, custody, and support of the children under
the court's jurisdiction and provide active leadership within the
community to ensure that resources are available to serve families
and children; and
WHEREAS, In order to reinforce the benefits of in-home care,
the Judicial Council, courts, and justice partners have focused on

8 a kin-first culture system where parents and their families help

9 determine the safest place for the child within a family, community,10 or tribe; and

11 WHEREAS, As a result of these efforts, the number of children

12 in welfare-supervised, out-of-home care went down by 29

13 percent—from 55,000 children in 2021 to 39,000 children in 2025;

14 and

1 WHEREAS, By 2023, approximately 74 percent of children in

foster care were still in their first or second placement after 12
months—a 10 percent increase in placement stability since 2018;

4 and

5 WHEREAS, Kinship care provides a protective effect that 6 benefits youth mental health outcomes and is associated with higher 7 placement stability and permanency compared to traditional foster 8 care placements; and

9 WHEREAS, Children in kinship care experience fewer 10 behavioral health problems, experience less placement disruption, 11 and require fewer mental health services than youth in a nonrelative 12 placement; and

WHEREAS, Children with a first placement with relatives or extended family members are three times more likely to remain in their first placement after 12 months; and

WHEREAS, Youth who were with a relative at the time of their
exit from foster care are less likely to reenter care within 12
months; and

WHEREAS, In 2024, approximately 57 percent of children and
youth who exited the foster care system were placed with, or
adopted by, a relative—a 6 percent increase since 2019; and

WHEREAS, California is a proponent of kinship care and provides financial and social supports to relative caregivers as a way to strengthen family connections and improve the well-being of foster youth; and

WHEREAS, The Judicial Council remains committed to working with the Governor, the Legislature, and local courts and communities to provide children and families with access to fair, understandable judicial proceedings that lead to timely, well-informed, and just permanency outcomes; now, therefore, be it

Resolved by the Assembly of the State of California, the Senate thereof concurring, That the Legislature declares November 2025 as Court Adoption and Permanency Month and encourages the courts and their communities to join in activities to promote permanency; and be it further

Resolved, that the Chief Clerk of the Assembly transmit copiesof this resolution to the author for appropriate distribution.

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ACR 106 Page 1

Date of Hearing: July 14, 2025

ASSEMBLY COMMITTEE ON RULES Blanca Pacheco, Chair ACR 106 (Kalra) – As Introduced July 10, 2025

SUBJECT: Court Adoption and Permanency Month.

SUMMARY: Declares November 2025 as Court Adoption and Permanency Month, and encourages the courts and their communities to join in activities to promote permanency. Specifically, **this resolution** makes the following legislative findings:

- 1) Juvenile court judges are uniquely responsible for the care, supervision, custody, and support of the children under the court's jurisdiction, and provide active leadership within the community to ensure that resources are available to serve families and children.
- 2) In order to reinforce the benefits of in-home care, the Judicial Council, courts, and justice partners have focused on a kin-first culture system where parents and their families help determine the safest place for the child within a family, community, or tribe.
- 3) Kinship care provides a protective effect that benefits youth mental health outcomes and is associated with higher placement stability and permanency compared to traditional foster care placements.
- 4) Children in kinship care experience fewer behavioral health problems, experience less placement disruption, and require fewer mental health services than youth in a nonrelative placement. Children with a first placement with relatives or extended family members are three times more likely to remain in their first placement after 12 months.
- 5) California is a proponent of kinship care, and provides financial and social supports to relative caregivers as a way to strengthen family connections and improve the well-being of foster youth.
- 6) The Judicial Council remains committed to working with the Governor, the Legislature, and local courts and communities to provide children and families with access to fair, understandable judicial proceedings that lead to timely, well-informed, and just permanency outcomes.

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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CALIFORNIA LEGISLATURE—2025–26 REGULAR SESSION

House Resolution

No. 48

Introduced by Assembly Member Pellerin

July 10, 2025

House Resolution No. 48—Relative to the 105th Anniversary of the 19th Amendment.

1 WHEREAS, The 19th Amendment, which legally guaranteed 2 American women the right to vote, was ratified on August 18th,

3 1920; and

WHEREAS, Nearly a decade prior, California became the sixth
state in the nation to approve political equality, approving women's
suffrage in California after the State Legislature placed Proposition
4 on the ballot and voters approved the measure on October 10th,
1911; and
WHEREAS, Initially introduced to the U.S. Congress in 1878.

9 WHEREAS, Initially introduced to the U.S. Congress in 1878,
10 suffragists picketed, lobbied states, and challenged male-only
11 voting laws in courts until Congress passed the amendment on
12 June 4th, 1919; and

WHEREAS, Recognizing that although the amendment
represented gains in women's enfranchisement, women of color
were continually excluded for another 45 years until the passage
of the Voting Rights Act of 1965; and

WHEREAS, Women with disabilities were only able to secure
protections in 1990 after the passage of the Americans with
Disabilities Act; and

20 WHEREAS, Women voters have improved the state by 21 exercising their position at the ballot box, lobbying their 22 representatives, and forming civic leagues nationwide; and

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WHEREAS, The 19th Amendment played a pivotal role in
promoting reproductive rights for women. As a result, women
experienced economic progress with the increased availability of
family-planning services and supplies, allowing more women to
enroll in higher education and enter professional occupations; now,
therefore, be it *Resolved by the Assembly of the State of California*, That the

8 Assembly recognizes the 105 years since the passage of the 19th

9 amendment and urges all Californians to join in celebrating the 10 anniversary of the 19th amendment; and be it further

11 *Resolved*, That the Chief Clerk of the Assembly prepare and

12 transmit copies of this resolution to the Governor and to the author

13 for distribution.

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HR 48 Page 1

Date of Hearing: July 14, 2025

ASSEMBLY COMMITTEE ON RULES Blanca Pacheco, Chair HR 48 (Pellerin) – As Introduced July 10, 2025

SUBJECT: The 105th Anniversary of the 19th Amendment.

SUMMARY: Recognizes the 105 years since the passage of the 19th amendment, and urges all Californians to join in celebrating the anniversary of the 19th amendment. Specifically, **this resolution** makes the following legislative findings:

- 1) The 19th Amendment, which legally guaranteed American women the right to vote, was ratified on August 18, 1920. Nearly a decade prior, California became the sixth state in the nation to approve political equality, approving women's suffrage in California after the Legislature placed Proposition 4 on the ballot, which voters approved on October 10, 1911.
- 2) Initially introduced to Congress in 1878, suffragists picketed, lobbied states, and challenged male-only voting laws in courts until Congress passed the amendment on June 4, 1919.
- Recognizing that although the amendment represented gains in women's enfranchisement, women of color were continually excluded for another 45 years until the passage of the Voting Rights Act of 1965.
- 4) Women with disabilities were only able to secure protections in 1990 after the passage of the Americans with Disabilities Act.
- 5) Women voters have improved the state by exercising their position at the ballot box, lobbying their representatives, and forming civic leagues nationwide.
- 6) The 19th Amendment played a pivotal role in promoting reproductive rights for women. As a result, women experienced economic progress with the increased availability of family-planning services and supplies, allowing more women to enroll in higher education and enter professional occupations.

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

AMENDED IN ASSEMBLY JULY 10, 2025

AMENDED IN SENATE APRIL 21, 2025

AMENDED IN SENATE APRIL 3, 2025

Senate Concurrent Resolution

No. 48

Introduced by Senators Cervantes and Pérez (Principal coauthor: Assembly Member Pellerin)

March 26, 2025

Senate Concurrent Resolution No. 48-Relative to High School Voter Education Weeks.

LEGISLATIVE COUNSEL'S DIGEST

SCR 48, as amended, Cervantes. High School Voter Education Weeks.

This measure would encourage all Californians to participate in the High School Voter Education Weeks of April 14 to 25, 2025, and September 15 to 26, 2025.

Fiscal committee: no.

1 WHEREAS, The Secretary of State, the chief election officer

2 of the state, is dedicated to enhancing democracy by promoting voter registration and encouraging participation in all elections 3 4

among eligible California voters; and

5 WHEREAS, Pursuant to Section 49040 of the Education Code,

the last two full weeks in April and the last two full weeks in 6

September are known as "high school voter education weeks," 7

8 during which time persons authorized by the county elections

9 official are allowed to register students and school personnel on

any high school campus; and 10

1 WHEREAS, California is committed to fostering civic 2 engagement and increasing voter participation among youth; and

3 WHEREAS, The youth of California play a critical role in our 4 democratic process by contributing to the selection of our leaders 5 and expressing their perspectives on significant issues; and

6 WHEREAS, Individuals meeting eligibility requirements who 7 are 16 and 17 years of age can preregister to vote and automatically 8 become active voters once they turn 18 years of age; and

9 WHEREAS, Young people should be met in their educational 10 environments, and be provided with the history, knowledge, and

11 resources to engage in the democratic process, for the purpose of 12 revitalizing community ethos and promoting the importance of 13 civic engagement; and

WHEREAS, High schools in California are encouraged to offer
preregistration and voter registration opportunities to eligible
students by providing them access to the state's online voter
registration application or by requesting physical voter registration
cards to distribute at their schools; and

WHEREAS, High school administrators in California are also
encouraged to appoint one or more students to serve as voter
outreach coordinators to facilitate student voter registration during

22 High School Voter Education Weeks; and

WHEREAS, Students are encouraged to participate in the democratic process by participating in voter education programs, serving as election workers, and motivating their peers, family members, and their communities to register to vote and cast their ballots in future elections; and

27 ballots in future elections; and

WHEREAS, California boasts nearly 4,300 high schools with more than 2,000,000 high school students, and since the establishment of student voter preregistration programs, more than 1,300,000 eligible students have used a student voter preregistration program to preregister to vote, which has added nearly 1,100,000 voters to California's voting rolls; and

WHEREAS, With the enactment of Senate Bill 955 of the 2021–22 Regular Session (Chapter 921 of the Statutes of 2022), students in grades 6 to 12, inclusive, are permitted to have one excused absence per year to participate in a civic or political event,

38 provided that the student notifies the school in advance; now,

39 therefore, be it

Resolved by the Senate of the State of California, the Assembly 1

2 thereof concurring, That the Legislature and the Secretary of State,

Shirley N. Weber, Ph.D., encourage all Californians to participate 3

in the High School Voter Education Weeks of April 14 to 25, 2025, and September 15 to 26, 2025; and be it further 4

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- Resolved, That the Secretary of the Senate transmit copies of 6
- this resolution to the author for appropriate distribution. 7

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Date of Hearing: July 14, 2025

ASSEMBLY COMMITTEE ON RULES Blanca Pacheco, Chair SCR 48 (Cervantes) – As Amended July 10, 2025

SENATE VOTE: 37-0

SUBJECT: High School Voter Education Weeks.

SUMMARY: Encourages all Californians to participate in the High School Voter Education Weeks of April 14 to 25, 2025, and September 15 to 26, 2025. Specifically, **this resolution** makes the following legislative findings:

- California is committed to fostering civic engagement and increasing voter participation among youth. The youth of California play a critical role in our democratic process by contributing to the selection of our leaders and expressing their perspectives on significant issues.
- 2) Pursuant to Section 49040 of the Education Code, the last two full weeks in April and the last two full weeks in September are known as "high school voter education weeks," during which time persons authorized by the county elections official are allowed to register students and school personnel on any high school campus.
- 3) Young people should be met in their educational environments, and be provided with the history, knowledge, and resources to engage in the democratic process, for the purpose of revitalizing community ethos and promoting the importance of civic engagement.
- 4) High schools in California are encouraged to offer preregistration and voter registration opportunities to eligible students by providing them access to the state's online voter registration application or by requesting physical voter registration cards to distribute at their schools.
- 5) High school administrators in California are also encouraged to appoint one or more students to serve as voter outreach coordinators to facilitate student voter registration during High School Voter Education Weeks.

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

REGISTERED SUPPORT / OPPOSITION:

| Support | | |
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| None on file | | |
| Opposition | | |
| None on file | | |
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July 14, 2025

Honorable Blanca Pacheco Chair, Assembly Rules Committee 1021 O Street, Suite 6250 Sacramento, CA 95814

Dear Chair Pacheco,

I write to respectfully request an Urgency Clause for Senate Bill 627, which prohibits law enforcement at all levels from covering their faces while conducting operations in the state of California unless they are engaged in an undercover assignment, or wearing a medical grade mask, a mask designed to protect against exposure to smoke during a wildfire, or protective gear used by SWAT officers while performing SWAT responsibilities.

The Urgency Clause is necessary due to the recent federal operations in California have created an environment of profound terror, with officers — or people who claim to be officers — wearing what are essentially ski masks, not identifying themselves, grabbing people, putting them in unmarked cars, and disappearing them. If we want the public to trust law enforcement, we cannot allow them to behave like secret police in an authoritarian state. We would not trust a masked stranger to teach our kids, treat our wounds, or enter our homes. Law enforcement officers do critically important work to keep our communities safe, and when real officers are indistinguishable from imposters, everyone is at risk – including the officers themselves.

If enacted immediately, SB 627 would boost trust in law enforcement, which makes it easier for law enforcement to do their jobs and makes California safer for all of us.

Thank you for your consideration.

Best,

Scott Wiener

Scott Wiener Senator, 11th District



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July 9, 2025

Honorable Blanca Pacheco Chair, Assembly Committee on Rules 1021 O Street, Suite 6250 Sacramento, CA 95814

Dear Assemblymember Pacheco:

I respectfully write to request consideration of adding an urgency clause to SB 805, the No Vigilantes Act.

Recent immigration enforcement actions by the United States Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE) have caused widespread fear and confusion in our communities, especially when officers appear in sensitive locations such as schools and churches, often masked and without clear identification. These encounters have sparked increasing concern among community members and local officials, who are unable to identify with certainty those responsible for engaging in these actions or incidents that involve excessive force, which makes accountability impossible.

SB 805 takes critical steps to address these issues by requiring law enforcement personnel to display proper identification and authorizing them to request identification from anyone claiming to be a law enforcement officer when there is reasonable suspicion of criminal activity or a safety concern. It further prohibits bail agents from engaging in immigration enforcement and strengthens laws against impersonation of police officers and other public officials.

To safeguard public peace, the state holds both the authority and the responsibility, under its police powers, to maintain order and ensure public safety. This duty includes distinguishing between those lawfully exercising federal authority and those engaged in unlawful conduct. Therefore, it is necessary to add an urgency clause for this act to take effect immediately.

Thank you for your consideration of this request. If you have any questions, please contact my Chief of Staff, Edmundo Cuevas, or me at (916) 651-4025.

Sincerely,

SASHA RENÉE PÉREZ Senator, District 25