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Monday, August 18, 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: 8/15/2025
Re: Consent Bill Referrals

Attached is a list of referral recommendations.

REFERRAL OF BILLS TO COMMITTEE

08/18/2025

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

Assembly Bill No.	Committee:
<u>ACR 105</u>	RLS.
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<u>ACR 109</u>	TRANS.
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<u>SCR 99</u>	RLS.

Assembly Concurrent Resolution

No. 105

Introduced by Assembly Member McKinnor
(Principal coauthors: Assembly Members Bryan, Mark González,
Ward, and Zbur)

July 7, 2025

Assembly Concurrent Resolution No. 105—Relative to the music industry in California.

LEGISLATIVE COUNSEL’S DIGEST

ACR 105, as introduced, McKinnor. Music industry.

This measure would recognize the contributions of the music industry to the economic and cultural well-being of the state, its population, and its overall reputation as a worldwide leader in artistic and creative freedom.

Fiscal committee: no.

- 1 WHEREAS, Music plays an outsized role in American culture
2 and is unique among art forms in being so widely enjoyed and
3 shared, creating connections between people across geography
4 and even time; and
5 WHEREAS, Music has a significant, broad, and growing impact
6 on the California economy; and
7 WHEREAS, California has been a long-time anchor for the arts
8 and entertainment industries and has fostered a vibrant music
9 community that continues to reflect the diversity of America’s
10 landscape and enrich the lives of fans all around the world; and
11 WHEREAS, Its unparalleled music history has breathed life
12 into entire music movements, including early surf rock icons, the

1 Monterey International Pop festival, the psychedelic rock
2 revolution of the 1960s, the country-folk-rock “Laurel Canyon”
3 sound of the 1970s, the new wave and punk movements of the
4 1980s, and West Coast hip-hop. California is also one of the
5 world’s foremost centers of regional Mexican music, including
6 norteño and banda, and is home to historic musicians like The
7 Kingston Trio, The Beach Boys, Ritchie Valens, Cher, the Grateful
8 Dead, Santana, Fleetwood Mac, the Eagles, Tupac Shakur, Green
9 Day, X, Los Lobos, Red Hot Chili Peppers, Dr. Dre, Billie Eilish,
10 Los Tigres del Norte, and Kendrick Lamar, to name a few; and

11 WHEREAS, California is home to some of the most iconic live
12 music venues in the country, among them The Fillmore in San
13 Francisco and the Troubadour in Hollywood; and

14 WHEREAS, The music industry occupies an important place
15 as a driver of California’s economic prosperity and growth; and

16 WHEREAS, A recent industrywide “50 States of Music” report
17 showed California is the top state in the nation for measures of
18 music industry earnings, employment, and value-added businesses
19 that support artists and companies; and

20 WHEREAS, Music contributes \$51,000,000,000 to California’s
21 economy and supports over 460,000 jobs and over 80,000 music
22 establishments in our state; and

23 WHEREAS, Music supports local businesses all across the state,
24 including “a remarkable surge in business activity” from annual
25 festivals, including \$600 million from the world-renowned
26 Coachella and Stagecoach festivals alone, which, according to
27 Palm Springs local news, provides a “vital” boost “for many small
28 businesses” in the area; and

29 WHEREAS, Nationally, employment supported by the U.S.
30 music industry also increased substantially during the period 2017
31 to 2020, exceeding a 17 percent increase in jobs; and

32 WHEREAS, The music community industry has been able to
33 remain vibrant, relevant, and reinvent itself to embrace new
34 technologies and meet consumer desires and needs in an
35 increasingly digitalized world; now, therefore, be it

36 *Resolved by the Assembly of the State of California, the Senate*
37 *thereof concurring,* That the Legislature recognizes the
38 contributions of the music industry to the economic and cultural
39 well-being of the state, its population, and its overall reputation

- 1 as a worldwide leader in artistic and creative freedom; and be it
- 2 further
- 3 *Resolved*, That the Chief Clerk of the Assembly transmit copies
- 4 of this resolution to the author for appropriate distribution.

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Date of Hearing: August 18, 2025

ASSEMBLY COMMITTEE ON RULES
Blanca Pacheco, Chair
ACR 105 (McKinnor) – As Introduced July 7, 2025

SUBJECT: Music industry.

SUMMARY: Recognizes the contributions of the music industry to the economic and cultural well-being of the state, its population, and its overall reputation as a worldwide leader in artistic and creative freedom. Specifically, **this resolution** makes the following legislative findings:

- 1) Music plays an outsized role in American culture and is unique among art forms in being so widely enjoyed and shared, creating connections between people across geography and even time. Music also has a significant, broad, and growing impact on the California economy.
- 2) California has been a long-time anchor for the arts and entertainment industries, and has fostered a vibrant music community that continues to reflect the diversity of America’s landscape and enrich the lives of fans all around the world.
- 3) California is home to some of the most iconic live music venues in the country, among them The Fillmore in San Francisco and the Troubadour in Hollywood.
- 4) The music industry occupies an important place as a driver of California’s economic prosperity and growth. A recent industrywide “50 States of Music” report showed California is the top state in the nation for measures of music industry earnings, employment, and value-added businesses that support artists and companies.
- 5) Music supports local businesses all across the state, including “a remarkable surge in business activity” from annual festivals, including \$600 million from the world-renowned Coachella and Stagecoach festivals alone, which, according to Palm Springs local news, provides a “vital” boost “for many small businesses” in the area.
- 6) The music community industry has been able to remain vibrant, relevant, and reinvent itself to embrace new technologies and meet consumer desires and needs in an increasingly digitalized world.

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. 49

Introduced by Assembly Member Schiavo

July 15, 2025

House Resolution No. 49—Relative to Red Ribbon Week.

- 1 WHEREAS, Community Alliances for Drug-Free Youth, Inc.
2 (CADFY), a statewide nonprofit organization, the office of the
3 Governor, the office of the Attorney General, the State Department
4 of Education, the California State Parent Teacher Association, and
5 over 100 other statewide agencies, departments, and organizations
6 have been strong advocates for Red Ribbon Week; and
7 WHEREAS, The National Family Partnership initiated the Red
8 Ribbon Campaign after United States Drug Enforcement
9 Administration agent Enrique “Kiki” S. Camarena was killed in
10 Mexico by drug traffickers in 1985; and
11 WHEREAS, Parents, youth, schools, businesses, law
12 enforcement, religious institutions, service organizations, senior
13 citizens, medical and military personnel, sports teams, and others
14 concerned about the effects of drugs on our communities will
15 demonstrate their commitment to drug-free, healthy lifestyles by
16 wearing and displaying red ribbons during this weeklong
17 celebration; and
18 WHEREAS, Securing a safe and healthy future for our children
19 is directly threatened by drug abuse, and awareness of this problem
20 will help individuals in fighting drug abuse; and
21 WHEREAS, The objective of Red Ribbon Week will be to
22 promote this view through drug prevention, education, parental
23 involvement, and communitywide support; and

1 WHEREAS, The Assembly of the State of California has further
2 committed its resources to ensure the success of the Red Ribbon
3 Week celebration; now, therefore, be it

4 *Resolved by the Assembly of the State of California*, That the
5 Assembly hereby proclaims its support for the Red Ribbon Week
6 celebration by proclaiming the period of October 23 to 31, 2025,
7 inclusive, and October 23 to 31, 2026, inclusive, as Red Ribbon
8 Week; and be it further

9 *Resolved*, That the Assembly encourages all Californians to help
10 build drug-free communities and to participate in drug prevention
11 activities by making a visible statement that we are firmly
12 committed to healthy, productive, and drug-free lifestyles; and be
13 it further

14 *Resolved*, That the Chief Clerk of the Assembly transmit copies
15 of this resolution to the Governor, and to the author for appropriate
16 distribution throughout the state.

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Date of Hearing: August 18, 2025

ASSEMBLY COMMITTEE ON RULES
Blanca Pacheco, Chair
HR 49 (Schiavo) – As Introduced July 15, 2025

SUBJECT: Red Ribbon Week.

SUMMARY: Proclaims the period of October 23 to 31, 2025, inclusive, and October 23 to 31, 2026, inclusive, as Red Ribbon Week. Specifically, **this resolution** makes the following legislative findings:

- 1) Community Alliances for Drug-Free Youth, Inc. (CADFY), a statewide nonprofit organization, the office of the Governor, the office of the Attorney General, the State Department of Education, the California State Parent Teacher Association, and over 100 other statewide agencies, departments, and organizations have been strong advocates for Red Ribbon Week.
- 2) The National Family Partnership initiated the Red Ribbon Campaign after United States Drug Enforcement Administration agent Enrique “Kiki” S. Camarena was killed in Mexico by drug traffickers in 1985.
- 3) Securing a safe and healthy future for our children is directly threatened by drug abuse, and awareness of this problem will help individuals in fighting drug abuse.
- 4) The objective of Red Ribbon Week will be to promote this view through drug prevention, education, parental involvement, and communitywide support.
- 5) The Assembly of the State of California has further committed its resources to ensure the success of the Red Ribbon Week celebration.

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. 50

Introduced by Assembly Member Stefani

July 17, 2025

House Resolution No. 50—Relative to Elimination of Violence Against Women Day.

1 WHEREAS, Violence against women and girls is a devastating
2 and ongoing global crisis. According to the United Nations, at
3 least 51,100 women were murdered by partners or family members
4 in 2023, amounting to one woman killed every 10 minutes; and
5 WHEREAS, The United Nations Development Programme
6 identifies this violence as a result of systemic gender inequality,
7 discrimination, power imbalances, and harmful social norms.
8 Violence against women includes not only physical abuse, but also
9 psychological, sexual, and financial forms of harm, impacting
10 every aspect of a woman’s life; and
11 WHEREAS, In response to this public health crisis, the United
12 Nations designated November 25 as the International Day for the
13 Elimination of Violence Against Women. This date honors the
14 courage and sacrifice of the Mirabal sisters, political activists from
15 the Dominican Republic who were assassinated by Dictator Rafael
16 Trujillo for their resistance to his brutal regime; and
17 WHEREAS, 2025 marks the 26th anniversary of this
18 international day of observance. Despite decades of advocacy,
19 violence against women remains alarmingly prevalent. In California
20 alone, 86 percent of women report having experienced some form
21 of sexual harassment or assault in their lifetime; and
22 WHEREAS, Addressing this violence requires more than policy
23 reforms. It demands a cultural transformation to dismantle the

1 social norms and power structures that perpetuate harm and silence
2 survivors; and

3 WHEREAS, Women make up 49.73 percent of the global
4 population, yet they give birth to 100 percent of it. The California
5 State Assembly recognizes the invaluable contributions of women
6 to our state and to the global community, and reaffirms its
7 commitment to ending all forms of violence against women and
8 girls; and

9 WHEREAS, The United Nations urges governments to use the
10 International Day for the Elimination of Violence Against Women
11 to revitalize commitments and call for accountability and action
12 from decision-makers; now, therefore, be it

13 *Resolved by the Assembly of the State of California*, That the
14 Assembly hereby proclaims November 25, 2025, as Elimination
15 of Violence Against Women Day throughout the State of
16 California; and be it further

17 *Resolved*, That the Assembly recognizes November 25, 2025,
18 as the International Day for the Elimination of Violence Against
19 Women, and urges all policymakers to remain steadfast in
20 advancing legislation and actions that prevent and eliminate
21 violence against women and girls year-round; and be it further

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

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Date of Hearing: August 18, 2025

ASSEMBLY COMMITTEE ON RULES
Blanca Pacheco, Chair
HR 50 (Stefani) – As Introduced July 17, 2025

SUBJECT: Elimination of Violence Against Women Day.

SUMMARY: Proclaims November 25, 2025, as Elimination of Violence Against Women Day throughout the State of California. Specifically, **this resolution** makes the following legislative findings:

- 1) Violence against women and girls is a devastating and ongoing global crisis. According to the United Nations, at least 51,100 women were murdered by partners or family members in 2023, amounting to one woman killed every 10 minutes.
- 2) The United Nations Development Programme identifies this violence as a result of systemic gender inequality, discrimination, power imbalances, and harmful social norms. Violence against women includes not only physical abuse, but also psychological, sexual, and financial forms of harm, impacting every aspect of a woman's life.
- 3) In response to this public health crisis, the United Nations designated November 25 as the International Day for the Elimination of Violence Against Women. This date honors the courage and sacrifice of the Mirabal sisters, political activists from the Dominican Republic who were assassinated by Dictator Rafael Trujillo for their resistance to his brutal regime.
- 4) 2025 marks the 26th anniversary of this international day of observance. Despite decades of advocacy, violence against women remains alarmingly prevalent. In California alone, 86 percent of women report having experienced some form of sexual harassment or assault in their lifetime.
- 5) The United Nations urges governments to use the International Day for the Elimination of Violence Against Women to revitalize commitments and call for accountability and action from decision-makers.

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

Introduced by Senator Seyarto
(Coauthors: Senators Allen, Arreguín, Becker, Dahle, Jones, Limón,
Ochoa Bogh, Rubio, Stern, Umberg, and Wahab)
(Coauthors: Assembly Members Alanis, Castillo, Chen, Dixon,
Jeff Gonzalez, Hadwick, Ransom, and Stefani)

June 25, 2025

Senate Concurrent Resolution No. 97—Relative to California
Emergency Preparedness Month.

LEGISLATIVE COUNSEL’S DIGEST

SCR 97, as introduced, Seyarto. California Emergency Preparedness
Month.

This measure would proclaim September 2025 as California
Emergency Preparedness Month.

Fiscal committee: no.

- 1 WHEREAS, Launched in 2004, National Preparedness Month
2 is an annual preparedness outreach effort led by the Federal
3 Emergency Management Agency; and
4 WHEREAS, National Preparedness Month aims to educate and
5 empower Americans with the knowledge and resources needed to
6 prepare for and respond to all types of emergency situations,
7 including natural disasters and manmade emergencies; and
8 WHEREAS, California faces complex and severe disaster and
9 emergency conditions due to its unique geography and extreme
10 weather, as demonstrated by the hurricane-force wind-driven
11 firestorms in January 2025 that destroyed separate urban and
12 coastal areas of the County of Los Angeles; and

1 WHEREAS, Over the last decade, California has experienced
2 significant increases in the frequency, intensity, and duration of a
3 variety of disasters and emergencies, including severe heat waves,
4 rolling blackouts, wildfires, rainstorms, floods, mudslides, and
5 prolonged droughts; and

6 WHEREAS, As a result of these extreme events, hundreds of
7 thousands of people have been subject to mandatory evacuations
8 or displaced from their communities; and

9 WHEREAS, Disasters and emergencies can leave Californians
10 without power, food, or other essential items for days; and

11 WHEREAS, It is urgent for the Federal Emergency Management
12 Agency to continue to partner with states like California and others
13 that are vulnerable to these events to support impacted individuals,
14 communities, and businesses that experience devastating losses in
15 the aftermath; and

16 WHEREAS, The growing number of disasters and emergencies
17 in California require individuals to plan, prepare, and practice in
18 advance; and

19 WHEREAS, It is crucial that residents and all levels of
20 government have well-defined plans in place before an emergency
21 or natural disaster occurs; and

22 WHEREAS, These plans should include access to adequate
23 shelter, reserves of food and water, backup power for
24 communication devices, plans for pets, access to transportation,
25 and knowledge of local evacuation routes; and

26 WHEREAS, National Preparedness Month serves as a reminder
27 that preparedness should be an ongoing practice, not a one-time
28 occurrence, as disasters and emergencies can strike unexpectedly
29 and at any time; and

30 WHEREAS, September is recognized as National Preparedness
31 Month and culminates on September 30th with National
32 Preparedness Day, a designated day for action and community
33 engagement; now, therefore, be it

34 *Resolved by the Senate of the State of California, the Assembly*
35 *thereof concurring*, That the Legislature hereby proclaims the
36 month of September 2025 as California Emergency Preparedness
37 Month; and be it further

38 *Resolved*, That the Legislature encourages Californians to
39 acknowledge the importance of preparing for emergencies to keep

- 1 themselves, their families, and their communities safe; and be it
- 2 further
- 3 *Resolved*, That the Secretary of the Senate transmit copies of
- 4 this resolution to the author for appropriate distribution.

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Date of Hearing: August 18, 2025

ASSEMBLY COMMITTEE ON RULES
Blanca Pacheco, Chair
SCR 97 (Seyarto) – As Introduced June 25, 2025

SENATE VOTE: 35-0

SUBJECT: California Emergency Preparedness Month.

SUMMARY: Proclaims the month of September 2025 as California Emergency Preparedness Month. Specifically, **this resolution** makes the following legislative findings:

- 1) Launched in 2004, National Preparedness Month is an annual preparedness outreach effort led by the Federal Emergency Management Agency.
- 2) National Preparedness Month aims to educate and empower Americans with the knowledge and resources needed to prepare for and respond to all types of emergency situations, including natural disasters and manmade emergencies.
- 3) California faces complex and severe disaster and emergency conditions due to its unique geography and extreme weather, as demonstrated by the hurricane-force wind-driven firestorms in January 2025 that destroyed separate urban and coastal areas of the County of Los Angeles.
- 4) Over the last decade, California has experienced significant increases in the frequency, intensity, and duration of a variety of disasters and emergencies, including severe heat waves, rolling blackouts, wildfires, rainstorms, floods, mudslides, and prolonged droughts.
- 5) It is urgent for the Federal Emergency Management Agency to continue to partner with states like California and others that are vulnerable to these events to support impacted individuals, communities, and businesses that experience devastating losses in the aftermath.
- 6) The growing number of disasters and emergencies in California require individuals to plan, prepare, and practice in advance. It is crucial that residents and all levels of government have well-defined plans in place before an emergency or natural disaster occurs.

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

Introduced by Senator Allen

July 9, 2025

Senate Concurrent Resolution No. 99—Relative to Eunice Newton Foote.

LEGISLATIVE COUNSEL’S DIGEST

SCR 99, as introduced, Allen. Eunice Newton Foote.

This measure would honor the life and legacy of Eunice Newton Foote and proclaim July 17, 2025, as Eunice Newton Foote Day.

Fiscal committee: no.

- 1 WHEREAS, Eunice Newton Foote was a principal activist in
2 the women’s rights movement, an inventor, and a groundbreaking
3 scientist whose work helped establish the field of climate science;
4 and
5 WHEREAS, Born Eunice Newton on July 17, 1819, the 206th
6 anniversary of which will be recognized on July 17, 2025, Eunice
7 Newton Foote lived in Seneca Falls, New York, and was a key
8 figure in the Seneca Falls Convention, held on July 19 to 20 in
9 1848, and a signatory to the Declaration of Sentiments, which
10 demanded suffrage as well as social and legal equality for women;
11 and
12 WHEREAS, Having attended the Troy Female Seminary and
13 the Rensselaer School, Foote received a practical and theoretical
14 education in history, literature, philosophy, and the sciences, as
15 well as research and experimentation with the scientific method;
16 and
17 WHEREAS, As an amateur scientist and distant relative of Sir
18 Isaac Newton, Foote conducted a series of experiments in the 1850s

1 analyzing the interaction of the sun’s rays on a fixed volume of
2 various gases, from which she demonstrated that carbon dioxide
3 was heated to a higher temperature by the same exposure to
4 sunlight and cooled more slowly than air, and the influence of the
5 water content of a gas on heat retention; and

6 WHEREAS, Having observed the pronounced effect of sunlight
7 on carbon dioxide as compared to normal air or hydrogen, Foote
8 concluded that, “An atmosphere of that gas would give to our earth
9 a high temperature; and if as some suppose, at one period of its
10 history the air had mixed with it a larger proportion than at present,
11 an increased temperature from its own action, as well as from
12 increased weight, must have necessarily resulted.”; and

13 WHEREAS, Foote laid out her findings and conclusions in her
14 paper “Circumstances Affecting the Heat of the Sun’s Rays,” which
15 she submitted for the 10th annual meeting of the American
16 Association for the Advancement of Science (AAAS), marking
17 the first published work to recognize climatic warming caused by
18 an increased proportion of carbon dioxide in the atmosphere; and

19 WHEREAS, Despite participating in the AAAS meeting in
20 Albany, New York on August 23, 1856, Foote’s paper was
21 presented by Joseph Henry of the Smithsonian Institution, who
22 introduced her paper by stating, “Science was of no country and
23 of no sex. The sphere of woman embraces not only the beautiful
24 and the useful, but the true,” though he later discounted the
25 significance of her work; and

26 WHEREAS, Upon its complete publication in the 1856 edition
27 of the American Journal of Science and Arts, Foote’s paper became
28 the first physics publication written by an American woman outside
29 the field of astronomy to be included in a scientific journal, later
30 being printed or summarized in a myriad of journals throughout
31 1856 and 1857; and

32 WHEREAS, While scientist John Tyndall has historically been
33 credited as the “father of modern climate science” for his paper
34 “Note on the Transmission of Radiant Heat through Gaseous
35 Bodies” published in 1859, his work made no reference to water
36 vapor or carbon dioxide until his fourth publication and never
37 made claims regarding climate impacts, all of which were years
38 preceded by the published works of Eunice Newton Foote; and

39 WHEREAS, Prior to her death in 1888, the only two physics
40 papers by American women published in scientific journals were

1 Foote’s 1856 and 1857 papers, joined by only 14 more papers by
2 American women during the 19th century; and

3 WHEREAS, In addition to her published scientific works and
4 multiple patents held under her name, Foote had many inventions
5 patented under her husband’s name, and highlighted to Elizabeth
6 Cady Stanton the pervasive practice of women’s inventions being
7 patented under their husbands’ names as a consequence of the
8 social and legal infrastructure of the time, acknowledging the
9 mechanism by which countless innovations and technological
10 advancements by women have been kept out of the historical
11 record; and

12 WHEREAS, In 1902, the venerable women’s rights activist
13 Susan B. Anthony gave a speech imploring the next generation of
14 feminists to take up the mantle from the founders of the movement,
15 specifically recognizing, “Elizabeth Cady Stanton, Lucretia Mott,
16 Eunice Newton Foote, Mary Livermore, and Isabella Beecher
17 Hooker” as foundational figures in the struggle for recognition of
18 women in history, society, and academia; and

19 WHEREAS, Eunice Newton Foote died on September 29, 1888,
20 at 69 years of age after a lifetime of research, activism, and
21 innovation, often without the credit or recognition of which her
22 contributions were deserving, the depth of which was only fully
23 understood nearly a century after her death when historians
24 rediscovered her published work; and

25 WHEREAS, The State of California and the entire scientific
26 community are deeply indebted to Eunice Newton Foote, a truly
27 distinguished American and the founder of modern climate science;
28 now, therefore, be it

29 *Resolved by the Senate of the State of California, the Assembly*
30 *thereof concurring*, That the Legislature honors the life and legacy
31 Eunice Newton Foote and proclaims July 17, 2025, as Eunice
32 Newton Foote Day, a day of remembrance and education to ensure
33 that all Californians recognize and honor the incalculable scientific
34 and social contributions of Eunice Newton Foote and the countless
35 women whose contributions have been overlooked; and be it further

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

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Date of Hearing: August 18, 2025

ASSEMBLY COMMITTEE ON RULES
Blanca Pacheco, Chair
SCR 99 (Allen) – As Introduced July 9, 2025

SENATE VOTE: 37-0

SUBJECT: Eunice Newton Foote.

SUMMARY: Proclaims July 17, 2025, as Eunice Newton Foote Day to ensure that all Californians recognize and honor the incalculable scientific and social contributions of Eunice Newton Foote and the countless women whose contributions have been overlooked. Specifically, **this resolution** makes the following legislative findings:

- 1) Eunice Newton Foote was a principal activist in the women’s rights movement, an inventor, and a groundbreaking scientist whose work helped establish the field of climate science.
- 2) Born Eunice Newton on July 17, 1819, the 206th anniversary of which will be recognized on July 17, 2025, Eunice Newton Foote lived in Seneca Falls, New York. She was a key figure in the Seneca Falls Convention, held on July 19 to 20 in 1848, and a signatory to the Declaration of Sentiments, which demanded suffrage as well as social and legal equality for women.
- 3) As an amateur scientist and distant relative of Sir Isaac Newton, Foote conducted a series of experiments in the 1850s analyzing the interaction of the sun’s rays on a fixed volume of various gases, from which she demonstrated that carbon dioxide was heated to a higher temperature by the same exposure to sunlight and cooled more slowly than air, and the influence of the water content of a gas on heat retention.
- 4) Foote laid out her findings and conclusions in her paper “Circumstances Affecting the Heat of the Sun’s Rays,” which she submitted for the 10th annual meeting of the American Association for the Advancement of Science (AAAS), marking the first published work to recognize climatic warming caused by an increased proportion of carbon dioxide in the atmosphere.
- 5) Upon its complete publication in the 1856 edition of the American Journal of Science and Arts, Foote’s paper became the first physics publication written by an American woman outside the field of astronomy to be included in a scientific journal, later being printed or summarized in a myriad of journals throughout 1856 and 1857.
- 6) Prior to her death in 1888, the only two physics papers by American women published in scientific journals were Foote’s 1856 and 1857 papers, joined by only 14 more papers by American women during the 19th century.
- 7) The State of California and the entire scientific community are deeply indebted to Eunice Newton Foote, a truly distinguished American and the founder of modern climate science.

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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July 30, 2025

Chairperson Blanca Pacheco
Assembly Rules Committee
1021 O Street, Suite 6250
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RE: Request Approval for Urgency Clause

Dear Chair Pacheco,

I respectfully request the Assembly Rules Committee's approval to add an urgency clause to Senate Bill 400 (Cortese). This is necessary for the immediate preservation of the public peace, health, or safety within the meaning of Article IV of the California Constitution and shall go into immediate effect. The facts constituting the necessity are:

In order to minimize the effect of recent changes to clean energy programs in the federal Inflation Reduction Act of 2022 (Public Law 117-169) and ensure access to currently available Inflation Reduction Act tax credits.

If you have any questions about my support, please contact my Chief of Staff, Sunshine Borelli at Sunshine.Borelli@sen.ca.gov.

Thank you,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Dave Cortese".

Dave Cortese
State Senator
California State Legislature