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10 minutes prior to Session
State Capitol, Room 126
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Memo

To: Rules Committee Members
From: Michael Erke, Bill Referral Consultant
Date: 8/24/2026
Re: Consent Bill Referrals

Attached is a list of bill referral recommendations.

REFERRAL OF BILLS TO COMMITTEE

08/24/2026

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

Assembly Bill No.	Committee:
<u>SCR 193</u>	TRANS.
<u>SCR 194</u>	RLS.
<u>SCR 197</u>	RLS.

Introduced by Senator Seyarto

August 3, 2026

Senate Concurrent Resolution No. 194—Relative to Service Dog Appreciation Month.

LEGISLATIVE COUNSEL’S DIGEST

SCR 194, as introduced, Seyarto. Service Dog Appreciation Month. This measure would proclaim September 2026 as Service Dog Appreciation Month in California.

Fiscal committee: no.

- 1 WHEREAS, Service dogs are extraordinary animals that enable
2 their human companions to live their fullest lives; and
3 WHEREAS, There are approximately 500,000 service dogs in
4 the United States; and
5 WHEREAS, It takes roughly 18 to 24 months to train a service
6 dog; and
7 WHEREAS, Service dogs wear a harness or vest that identifies
8 their role; and
9 WHEREAS, The training and testing to become a service dog
10 is difficult, with only about one-half of the candidates succeeding
11 in meeting the stringent standards; and
12 WHEREAS, California benefits from the assistance of K–9
13 officers, search and rescue dogs, and many other service dogs that
14 serve their communities; and
15 WHEREAS, Service dogs are trained to perform specific tasks
16 for people in their careers and everyday lives, and they can be
17 trained to retrieve objects, assist with balance, give seizure or
18 diabetic alerts, or assist those with psychiatric disabilities; and

1 WHEREAS, Service dogs improve various aspects of the quality
2 of life of people with physical or psychiatric disabilities or chronic
3 health conditions, such as their psychosocial health, work- or
4 school-life participation, life satisfaction, independence, and self
5 esteem; and

6 WHEREAS, Service dogs also serve our nation's wounded
7 warriors suffering from conditions including post-traumatic stress
8 disorders and traumatic brain injuries; and

9 WHEREAS, Studies have shown that these incredible animals
10 offer great benefits to their owners, including reduced anxiety,
11 lower blood pressure, and faster recovery from medical events;
12 and

13 WHEREAS, Studies have shown that service dogs not only
14 decrease the frequency of their owners' medical episodes, such as
15 hypoglycemia, but also positively impact their owners' physical
16 health, well being, and activity level; and

17 WHEREAS, In the United States, over 61,000,000 individuals
18 live with disabilities, yet less than 1 percent have the assistance
19 of service dogs; and

20 WHEREAS, Despite a significant need, the average wait time
21 to obtain a service dog is about three years; and

22 WHEREAS, September is celebrated as National Service Dog
23 Month each year to honor the contribution skilled K-9 partners
24 offer to their owners; now, therefore, be it

25 *Resolved by the Senate of the State of California, the Assembly*
26 *thereof concurring*, That the Legislature hereby proclaims the
27 month of September 2026 as Service Dog Appreciation Month;
28 and be it further

29 *Resolved*, That Californians are grateful for the service and
30 dedication these loyal companions provide for their owners and
31 communities; and be it further

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

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Date of Hearing: August 24, 2026

ASSEMBLY COMMITTEE ON RULES
Blanca Pacheco, Chair
SCR 194 (Seyarto) – As Introduced August 3, 2026

SENATE VOTE: 39-0

SUBJECT: Service Dog Appreciation Month.

SUMMARY: Proclaims the month of September 2026 as Service Dog Appreciation Month in California. Specifically, **this resolution** makes the following legislative findings:

- 1) Service dogs are extraordinary animals that enable their human companions to live their fullest lives.
- 2) California benefits from the assistance of K-9 officers, search and rescue dogs, and many other service dogs that serve their communities.
- 3) Service dogs are trained to perform specific tasks for people in their careers and everyday lives. They can be trained to retrieve objects, assist with balance, give seizure or diabetic alerts, or assist those with psychiatric disabilities.
- 4) Service dogs also serve our nation's wounded warriors suffering from conditions including post-traumatic stress disorders and traumatic brain injuries.
- 5) Studies have shown that these incredible animals offer great benefits to their owners, including reduced anxiety, lower blood pressure, and faster recovery from medical events.
- 6) September is celebrated as National Service Dog Month each year to honor the contribution skilled K-9 partners offer to their owners.

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 Arreguín
(Coauthor: Senator Becker)**

August 10, 2026

Senate Concurrent Resolution No. 197—Relative to California Youth Homelessness Outreach, Prevention, and Education (HOPE) Month.

LEGISLATIVE COUNSEL’S DIGEST

SCR 197, as introduced, Arreguín. California Youth Homelessness Outreach, Prevention, and Education (HOPE) Month.

This measure would proclaim the month of November 2026 as California Youth Homelessness Outreach, Prevention, and Education (HOPE) Month to recognize the need for individuals, schools, communities, businesses, local governments, and the state to take action on behalf of runaway and homeless youth in California.

Fiscal committee: no.

- 1 WHEREAS, Runaway and homeless youth are young people
2 between 12 to 24 years of age, inclusive, who have the least access
3 to essential opportunities and supports; and
4 WHEREAS, The prevalence of runaways and homelessness
5 among youth is staggering, with studies suggesting that nationally
6 4,200,000 youth up to 25 years of age experience some form of
7 homelessness each year, of which an overrepresentation, compared
8 to the general youth population, are youth of color, gay, lesbian,
9 bisexual, or transgender; and
10 WHEREAS, Based on national surveys and California’s youth
11 population, an estimated 200,000 youth under 18 years of age, and
12 thousands more who are 18 to 24 years of age, inclusive, are
13 homeless for one or more days each year; and

1 WHEREAS, Based on the United States Department of Housing
2 and Urban Development’s 2025 point-in-time homeless count, the
3 number of unaccompanied homeless youth in California is 8,086,
4 and there are another 1,683 parenting youth and their children
5 experiencing homelessness. California’s K–12 educational system,
6 which captures youth doubled-up or couch surfing, reported 9,713
7 unaccompanied homeless youth, of which 614 were temporarily
8 unsheltered, in the 2024–25 school year. While a study released
9 in November 2017 by the University of Chicago’s Chapin Hall
10 found 1 in 10 young adults between 18 and 25 years of age, and
11 at least 1 in 30 adolescents between 13 and 17 years of age,
12 experiences homelessness over the course of a year; and

13 WHEREAS, The percentage of unaccompanied homeless youth
14 who are unsheltered in California stands at 57 percent, which is
15 the fourth highest in the country. California also has 23 percent of
16 the homeless youth in the country, the largest number of homeless
17 youth of any state; and

18 WHEREAS, Runaway and homeless youth flee conflict, abuse,
19 neglect, or increasingly, poverty in their homes. They have become
20 disconnected from educational systems and the workforce and do
21 not have the skills and financial resources to live on their own.
22 The factors impacting youth homelessness are complex and differ
23 from those impacting other homeless populations; and

24 WHEREAS, Runaway and homeless youth who live on the
25 street are victims of physical abuse, sexual exploitation, human
26 trafficking, and crime in untold numbers. An estimated 300,000
27 youth are either victims or at risk of becoming victims of the
28 commercial sexual exploitation of children each year, which 60
29 percent of these victimized children are homeless; and

30 WHEREAS, Homeless youth tend to have started using drugs
31 at a younger age, often before 15 years of age. Early drug use and
32 abuse is predictive of serious adult addiction problems and
33 long-term homelessness; and

34 WHEREAS, Youths who “age out” of the foster care system
35 are at an increased risk of homelessness and represent an estimated
36 20 percent of the 20,000 youth who leave foster care and are
37 currently homeless; and

38 WHEREAS, These youths are on the street because they feel
39 there are no other options open to them; and

1 WHEREAS, Providing safe, stable, and permanent housing for
2 runaway and homeless youth is a family, community, state, and
3 national priority, and homeless youth are considered one of the
4 unique populations in the homeless community by the United
5 States Interagency Council on Homelessness; and

6 WHEREAS, The future well-being of our state depends on the
7 value we place on our youth, and, in particular, on our actions to
8 provide the most vulnerable young people in the state with
9 opportunities to acquire the knowledge, skills, and abilities they
10 need to find and maintain stable housing and develop into healthy
11 and productive adults; and

12 WHEREAS, The COVID-19 pandemic, and its lasting impacts,
13 are being felt by youth through high unemployment rates and
14 increased demand for youth-centered care and mental health
15 services, technology, and access to hygiene, food, shelter, and
16 safety; and

17 WHEREAS, When targeted resources are invested, we see a
18 significant increase in the number of communities with
19 youth-specific housing and programs that will help prevent youth
20 from becoming chronically homeless. California has increased the
21 number of youth beds from 3,159 in 2015 to 6,547 in 2025; and

22 WHEREAS, The California Coalition for Youth has operated
23 the California Youth Crisis Line (1-800-843-5200), 24 hours a
24 day, seven days a week, for over 40 years as the state's only
25 emergency response system for youth in crisis, and which began
26 offering chat-to-text counseling services in 2016; and

27 WHEREAS, November is National Youth Homelessness
28 Outreach, Prevention, and Education (HOPE) Month; and

29 WHEREAS, The California Coalition for Youth, along with
30 other community-based organizations, providers, and advocates,
31 are sponsoring California's 15th annual Youth HOPE Month to
32 increase awareness and action on behalf of youth at risk or currently
33 living on the street; and

34 WHEREAS, Awareness of the tragedy of youth experiencing
35 homelessness and its causes must be heightened to ensure greater
36 support for effective programs aimed at preventing homelessness
37 and helping youth remain off the streets; now, therefore, be it

38 *Resolved by the Senate of the State of California, the Assembly*
39 *thereof concurring*, That the Legislature recognizes the need for
40 individuals, schools, communities, businesses, local governments,

- 1 and the state to take action on behalf of runaway and homeless
2 youth in California; and be it further
3 *Resolved*, That the Legislature hereby designates the month of
4 November 2026 as California Youth HOPE Month; and be it
5 further
6 *Resolved*, That the Secretary of the Senate transmit copies of
7 this resolution to the author for appropriate distribution.

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Date of Hearing: August 24, 2026

ASSEMBLY COMMITTEE ON RULES
Blanca Pacheco, Chair
SCR 197 (Arreguín) – As Introduced August 10, 2026

SENATE VOTE: 39-0

SUBJECT: California Youth Homelessness Outreach, Prevention, and Education (HOPE) Month.

SUMMARY: Proclaims the month of November 2026 as California Youth Homelessness Outreach, Prevention, and Education (HOPE) Month to recognize the need for individuals, schools, communities, businesses, local governments, and the state to take action on behalf of runaway and homeless youth in California. Specifically, **this resolution** makes the following legislative findings:

- 1) Runaway and homeless youth are young people between 12 to 24 years of age, inclusive, who have the least access to essential opportunities and supports.
- 2) The prevalence of runaways and homelessness among youth is staggering, with studies suggesting that nationally 4.2 million youth up to 25 years of age experience some form of homelessness each year, of which an overrepresentation, compared to the general youth population, are youth of color, gay, lesbian, bisexual, or transgender.
- 3) The percentage of unaccompanied homeless youth who are unsheltered in California stands at 57 percent, which is the fourth highest in the country. California also has 23 percent of the homeless youth in the country, the largest number of homeless youth of any state.
- 4) Runaway and homeless youth flee conflict, abuse, neglect, or increasingly, poverty in their homes. They have become disconnected from educational systems and the workforce and do not have the skills and financial resources to live on their own. The factors impacting youth homelessness are complex and differ from those impacting other homeless populations.
- 5) The California Coalition for Youth has operated the California Youth Crisis Line (1-800-843-5200), 24 hours a day, seven days a week, for over 40 years as the state's only emergency response system for youth in crisis, and which began offering chat-to-text counseling services in 2016.
- 6) November is National Youth HOPE Month. The California Coalition for Youth, along with other community-based organizations, providers, and advocates, are sponsoring California's 15th annual Youth HOPE Month to increase awareness and action on behalf of youth at risk or currently living on the street.

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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August 21, 2026

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

Re: Request for Urgency Clause for SB 328 (Grayson)

Dear Chair Pacheco:

I am writing to respectfully request that the Assembly Rules Committee allow for An Urgency Clause for my SB 328. The measure, as proposed to be amended, would facilitate the building of housing and a new community within the City of Concord. An Urgency Clause is needed because there have been recent actions by the Federal Government to open up these lands to oil and gas leases and the sooner housing can be built, the less likely that threat from the Federal Government comes to fruition.

Please contact my Chief of Staff, Aaron Moreno, if you have any questions at aaron.moreno@sen.ca.gov.

Respectfully,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Timothy S. Grayson".

Timothy Grayson
California State Senator, 9th District

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8/24/2026

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

RE: Request to Waive JR 61(b)(16) for SB 960

Dear Assemblymember Pacheco:

I respectfully request a Joint Rule 61(b)(16) waiver for SB 960 so that it may be amended on the Assembly Floor after the deadline.

If you have any questions regarding this request, please feel free to contact me or my staff, Tobias Uptain-Villa, at 916-651-4003.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Chris Cabaldon".

CHRISTOPHER CABALDON
Senator, 3rd District

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

RE: Request to Waive JR 61(b)(16) for SB 1370

Dear Assemblymember Pacheco:

I respectfully request a Joint Rule 61(b)(16) waiver for SB 1370 so that it may be amended on the Assembly Floor after the deadline.

If you have any questions regarding this request, please feel free to contact me or my staff Gil Topete at gil.topete@sen.ca.gov or at 916-651-4027.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Henry Stern".

Henry Stern
Senate District 27



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August 24, 2026

Assembly Rules Committee
1021 O Street, Suite 6250
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Dear Members of the Committee on Rules:

I write to request that we approve a Joint Rule 61(b)(16) waiver for bills that require amendments to incorporate one or more statutory amendments proposed in another bill to avoid superseding those amendments so that they may be amended on the Assembly Floor after the deadline.

Sincerely,

BLANCA PACHECO
Assemblywoman, 64th District