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Thursday, March 13, 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: 3/12/2025
Re: Consent Bill Referrals

Since you received your preliminary list of bill referrals, the following measures have been added to the referral list: AB 37, AB 268, AB 275, AB 332, AB 364, AB 450, AB 465, AB 515, AB 549, AB 552, AB 594, AB 637, AB 691, AB 816, AB 835, AB 1042, AB 1051, AB 1110, AB 1181, AB 1333, AB 1343, AB 1358, AB 1414 and ACR 51.

REFERRAL OF BILLS TO COMMITTEE

03/13/2025

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

<u>Assembly Bill No.</u>	<u>Committee:</u>
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<u>AB 552</u>	L. & E.
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<u>AB 705</u>	U. & E.
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<u>AB 1042</u>	AGRI.
<u>AB 1051</u>	TRANS.
<u>AB 1107</u>	B. & P.
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<u>AB 1113</u>	E.M.
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<u>AB 1141</u>	L. GOV.
<u>AB 1141</u>	TRANS.
<u>AB 1166</u>	B. & F.
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<u>AB 1172</u>	JUD.
<u>AB 1176</u>	U. & E.
<u>AB 1176</u>	NAT. RES.

<u>AB 1181</u>	L. & E.
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<u>AB 1195</u>	HUM. S.
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<u>AB 1201</u>	HUM. S.
<u>AB 1206</u>	H. & C.D.
<u>AB 1206</u>	L. GOV.
<u>AB 1209</u>	INS.
<u>AB 1209</u>	B. & P.
<u>AB 1212</u>	HIGHER ED.
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<u>AB 1229</u>	H. & C.D.
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<u>AB 1371</u>	L. & E.
<u>AB 1375</u>	JUD.
<u>AB 1378</u>	HUM. S.
<u>AB 1378</u>	JUD.
<u>AB 1384</u>	JUD.
<u>AB 1386</u>	HEALTH
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<u>AB 1487</u>	HEALTH
<u>AB 1489</u>	PUB. S.
<u>AB 1490</u>	PUB. S.
<u>AB 1495</u>	HEALTH
<u>AB 1496</u>	B. & P.
<u>AB 1498</u>	INS.
<u>AB 1501</u>	B. & P.
<u>AB 1502</u>	B. & P.
<u>AB 1503</u>	B. & P.
<u>AB 1504</u>	B. & P.
<u>AB 1505</u>	AGRI.
<u>AB 1506</u>	AGRI.
<u>AB 1507</u>	B. & F.
<u>ACR 51</u>	RLS.

Assembly Concurrent Resolution

No. 32

Introduced by Assembly Member Carrillo

February 13, 2025

Assembly Concurrent Resolution No. 32—Relative to March4Water Month.

LEGISLATIVE COUNSEL’S DIGEST

ACR 32, as introduced, Carrillo. March4Water Month.

This measure would declare the month of March to be March4Water Month in California and would encourage all Californians to participate in activities and programs during March4Water Month to promote awareness, education, and actions that prioritize water as a vital resource for the state’s future.

Fiscal committee: no.

- 1 WHEREAS, Water is an essential resource for sustaining life,
2 promoting public health, and ensuring economic prosperity in
3 California; and
4 WHEREAS, California has faced ongoing challenges related to
5 water, including droughts, water scarcity, infrastructure needs, and
6 water quality issues that require immediate and sustained attention;
7 and
8 WHEREAS, Aging infrastructure combined with increasingly
9 severe weather events exacerbated by the effects of climate change
10 pose significant challenges to our water systems; and
11 WHEREAS, An estimated 2.2 million Americans lack access
12 to safe water and sanitation while 6 to 10 million lead service lines

1 remain in use across the United States, many of which are in
2 underserved communities; and

3 WHEREAS, The month of March provides a unique opportunity
4 to align local efforts with global movements, such as World
5 Plumbing Day, celebrated annually on March 11 to recognize the
6 critical role of plumbing in protecting public health and advancing
7 access to clean water and sanitation; and

8 WHEREAS, March also includes World Water Day, observed
9 annually on March 22, as declared by the United Nations to
10 highlight the importance of water and advocate for the sustainable
11 management of freshwater resources worldwide; and

12 WHEREAS, The International Association of Plumbing and
13 Mechanical Officials is headquartered in California, playing a
14 critical role in addressing water-related challenges by advancing
15 safe and sustainable water systems through the development of
16 standards and codes, education, and advocacy; and

17 WHEREAS, March4Water Month will serve as a platform for
18 communities, organizations, and governmental agencies to raise
19 awareness about water conservation, equitable access to clean and
20 safe drinking water, and the importance of investing in water
21 infrastructure and sustainability efforts; and

22 WHEREAS, Community engagement and education are critical
23 to fostering a culture of water stewardship and advancing
24 innovative solutions to California's water challenges; and

25 WHEREAS, The designation of March as March4Water Month
26 highlights the collective need for action, collaboration, and
27 advocacy among policymakers, stakeholders, and residents of
28 California; now, therefore, be it

29 *Resolved by the Assembly of the State of California, the Senate*
30 *thereof concurring,* That the Legislature hereby declares the month
31 of March to be March4Water Month in California; and be it further

32 *Resolved,* That the Legislature encourages all Californians to
33 participate in activities and programs during March4Water Month
34 to promote awareness, education, and actions that prioritize water
35 as a vital resource for the state's future; and be it further

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

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Date of Hearing: March 13, 2025

ASSEMBLY COMMITTEE ON RULES
Blanca Pacheco, Chair
ACR 32 (Carrillo) – As Introduced February 13, 2025

SUBJECT: March4Water Month.

SUMMARY: Declares the month of March to be March4Water Month in California, and encourages all Californians to participate in activities and programs during March to promote awareness, education, and actions that prioritize water as a vital resource for the state's future. Specifically, **this resolution** makes the following legislative findings:

- 1) Water is an essential resource for sustaining life, promoting public health, and ensuring economic prosperity in California.
- 2) California has faced ongoing challenges related to water, including droughts, water scarcity, infrastructure needs, and water quality issues that require immediate and sustained attention.
- 3) The month of March provides a unique opportunity to align local efforts with global movements, such as World Plumbing Day, celebrated annually on March 11 to recognize the critical role of plumbing in protecting public health and advancing access to clean water and sanitation.
- 4) March also includes World Water Day, observed annually on March 22, as declared by the United Nations to highlight the importance of water and advocate for the sustainable management of freshwater resources worldwide.
- 5) March4Water Month will serve as a platform for communities, organizations, and governmental agencies to raise awareness about water conservation, equitable access to clean and safe drinking water, and the importance of investing in water infrastructure and sustainability efforts.
- 6) Community engagement and education are critical to fostering a culture of water stewardship and advancing innovative solutions to California's water challenges.

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

REGISTERED SUPPORT / OPPOSITION:

Support

International Association of Plumbing and Mechanical Officials (IAPMO)

Opposition

None on file

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



**INTERNATIONAL ASSOCIATION OF
PLUMBING AND MECHANICAL OFFICIALS**

March 11, 2025

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

RE: Assembly Concurrent Resolution 32 (Carrillo) -- SPONSOR

Dear Chair Pacheco:

On behalf of the International Association of Plumbing and Mechanical Officials (IAPMO), I am writing to express our gratitude for your introduction of Assembly Concurrent Resolution 32 (ACR 32), which designates March as *March4Water Month* in California. This initiative not only underscores the importance of water conservation but also provides a platform to communicate the shared commitment of promoting public health and community resilience through proven plumbing practices.

IAPMO's interwoven partnership with the California plumbing industry helps emphasize the essential role plumbing systems play in safeguarding drinking water quality and helping ensure its future availability. A critical aspect of this is properly sized, designed, and maintained plumbing infrastructure to reduce preventable water waste, mitigate contamination to public water systems, and protect our increasingly scarce freshwater resources. Through education during *March4Water Month*, local communities are encouraged to engage in activities that foster awareness about what they can do as families and individuals for water conservation and responsible usage. Our collective efforts will help ensure that all Californians are informed and equipped to make sustainable choices regarding water use.

Thank you again for your leadership in championing ACR 32 and your commitment to raising awareness about the importance of water conservation and applaud your commitment to highlighting how vital plumbing is in building community resilience against the impacts of climate change, especially in our most vulnerable areas. IAPMO stands ready to support this initiative and contribute to a broader movement that prioritizes water sustainability for future generations. We also look forward to working together to promote water conservation and enhance public health across California. For this or any other matters regarding water or plumbing concerns you can contact me directly at david.yow@iapmo.org or 909-215-9945.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "David Yow". The signature is written in a cursive, flowing style.

David Yow
IAPMO Director of Government Relations

Assembly Concurrent Resolution

No. 51

**Introduced by Assembly Member Haney
(Principal coauthors: Assembly Members Calderon, Connolly,
Flora, and Gallagher)**

March 11, 2025

Assembly Concurrent Resolution No. 51—Relative to Irish American Heritage Month.

LEGISLATIVE COUNSEL’S DIGEST

ACR 51, as introduced, Haney. Irish American Heritage Month.

This measure would, among other things, designate March 2025 as Irish American Heritage Month in honor of 101 years of diplomatic relations between the United States and Ireland and would commemorate the multitude of contributions that Irish Americans have made to this country and state.

Fiscal committee: no.

- 1 WHEREAS, The democratic expression of the people of
2 Ireland’s will in 1918 led directly to the establishment of an
3 independent state and enabled the people of Ireland to enjoy the
4 freedom they have today; and
5 WHEREAS, The First Dáil gave a voice to the people of
6 Ireland’s expression of self-determination in the 1918 general
7 election; and
8 WHEREAS, On January 21, 1919, the first meeting of the
9 unicameral parliament of the revolutionary Irish Republic, known
10 as the First Dáil Éireann, met in the City of Dublin’s Mansion

1 House to declare Ireland to be an independent nation and to
2 establish its alternative parliament; and

3 WHEREAS, The First Dáil produced a Declaration of
4 Independence and a Message to the Free Nations of the World;
5 and

6 WHEREAS, The United States recognized and established
7 diplomatic relations with the Irish Free State in 1924; and

8 WHEREAS, The year 2025 marks 101 years of diplomatic
9 relations between the United States and Ireland, over a century of
10 official meaningful engagement of which both countries are very
11 proud; and

12 WHEREAS, On April 10, 1998, the Government of Ireland and
13 the Government of the United Kingdom signed the Good Friday
14 Agreement, also known as the “Belfast Agreement,” with the goals
15 of bringing a new era of devolved government and democracy to
16 Northern Ireland, ending violence, and ensuring peace for the
17 people on the island of Ireland; and

18 WHEREAS, The successful negotiation of the Good Friday
19 Agreement stands as a historic and groundbreaking success that
20 has proven critical to the decades of relative peace that have
21 followed; and

22 WHEREAS, The restoration of the Northern Ireland Assembly
23 and Executive, coupled with the economic opportunities that
24 Northern Ireland’s unique access to both the United Kingdom
25 internal market and the European Union single market provides,
26 paved the way for a thriving Irish economy; and

27 WHEREAS, Millions of Irish people, faced with severe hardship
28 due to famine and poverty in their nation, immigrated to the United
29 States over the last several centuries in search of a more promising
30 future for themselves and their families; and

31 WHEREAS, The journey to America from the Emerald Isle was
32 not paved with gold. The Irish spirit of determination, perseverance,
33 and grit prevailed against dangerous seas and deadly conditions
34 with their hearts set on the horizon; and

35 WHEREAS, Irish Americans initially suffered prejudice and
36 discrimination upon first arriving in the United States. As the years
37 went on, Irish Americans became deeply integrated in their
38 communities and made numerous contributions in all aspects of
39 American society and culture; and

1 WHEREAS, Irish Americans played vital roles in the
2 development of the United States. Nine Irish Americans were
3 signers of the Declaration of Independence, and 23 Presidents of
4 the United States have been of Irish heritage, including John F.
5 Kennedy, Ronald Reagan, Bill Clinton, George H. W. Bush, Barack
6 Obama, and Joe Biden; and

7 WHEREAS, Many people of Irish descent have contributed to
8 great movements that have helped to shape our country and its
9 role in the world, including Mother Jones, labor activist; Kate
10 Kennedy, known for the “equal pay for equal work” campaign;
11 Lucy Burns, activist in the women’s suffrage movement; and
12 Senator George J. Mitchell, negotiator of the Belfast Agreement;
13 and

14 WHEREAS, Irish Americans have also played a major role in
15 California politics as governors, legislative leaders, city mayors,
16 and other public officials, who have worked tirelessly to build
17 California into the state that it is today; and

18 WHEREAS, Irish Americans were significantly involved in the
19 development of infrastructure throughout the United States,
20 especially in the State of California. This included work on
21 railroads and bridges that connected the west to the east. The Irish
22 were also instrumental in the building of dams, roads, canals, and
23 buildings that expanded greatly in the late 1800s; and

24 WHEREAS, Many Irish Americans have made their mark as
25 peace officers and firefighters and have risked or lost their lives
26 on countless occasions in carrying out their duties; and

27 WHEREAS, Many outstanding soldiers, never to be forgotten,
28 who fought for American freedom in the Revolutionary War were
29 of Irish descent. Irish Americans have proudly served with
30 distinction in every war that this nation has fought and continue
31 to do so today; and

32 WHEREAS, Many Irish Americans have contributed greatly to
33 the United States economy in business, including: Alexander
34 Turney Stewart, the inventor of the American department store;
35 Cathleen Black, former president of Hearst Publishing; Jack Welch,
36 former president and chief executive officer of General Electric;
37 Herb Kelleher, cofounder of Southwest Airlines; John Donahoe,
38 former chief executive officer of Nike, Inc.; Conrad Burke, founder
39 of Innovalight, Inc.; Henry Ford, founder of Ford Motor Company;

1 Richard and Maurice McDonald, founders of McDonald’s fast
2 food; and Maggie Sullivan Wilderotter, chair of DocuSign; and

3 WHEREAS, Irish Americans have contributed to the field of
4 science, including: astronaut Michael Collins; the first female
5 commander of a space shuttle, Eileen Collins; physicist and Nobel
6 Laureate Charles H. Townes; and bioengineer and MacArthur
7 “Genius Grant” recipient James J. Collins; and

8 WHEREAS, Irish Americans have contributed to the American
9 literary tradition through great authors, including Flannery
10 O’Connor, Eugene O’Neill, F. Scott Fitzgerald, Mary McCarthy,
11 Tom Clancy, and Frank McCourt; and

12 WHEREAS, Irish Americans have contributed to American
13 entertainment with such stars as actors Jack Nicholson, John
14 Wayne, and George Clooney; actor and comedian Bill Murray;
15 actress Grace Kelly; actress and comedian Rosie O’Donnell; actor
16 and singer Bing Crosby; actress and singer Rosemary Clooney;
17 actress and singer Judy Garland; comedian Conan O’Brien; and
18 actor and director Edward Burns, all being of Irish heritage; and

19 WHEREAS, There is significant economic reciprocity between
20 California and Ireland, including Ireland as the seventh largest
21 source of foreign direct investment through wholly foreign-owned
22 enterprises in California, and there is work underway to further
23 build these relationships; and

24 WHEREAS, There exists a longstanding and richly multifaceted
25 relationship between California and Ireland. The first Consulate
26 General of Ireland opened in the City of San Francisco in 1933
27 and the second Consulate General of Ireland opened in the City
28 of Los Angeles in 2019, which reinforces the strong and vibrant
29 connections between California and Ireland built on shared
30 heritage, values, and ambition; and

31 WHEREAS, There is a significant and mutually beneficial
32 economic relationship between Ireland and the United States as a
33 whole, with Ireland being the sixth largest source of foreign direct
34 investment into the United States with investment by Irish
35 companies in 2023 worth \$351 billion, and with the dynamic
36 two-way trade and investment relationship exceeding €1 trillion
37 annually; and

38 WHEREAS, Taoiseach Micheál Martin, has reaffirmed Ireland’s
39 commitment to the strong bilateral relations between Ireland and
40 the United States, and that both nations will work constructively

1 together throughout the next administration to further strengthen
2 and advance common interests and shared prosperity; and

3 WHEREAS, Today, over 35,000,000 Americans claim Irish
4 heritage, and they continue to contribute to the politics, economy,
5 and culture of the United States and California; now, therefore, be
6 it

7 *Resolved by the Assembly of the State of California, the Senate*
8 *thereof concurring*, That the Legislature, in honor of 101 years of
9 diplomatic relations between the United States and Ireland and the
10 multitude of contributions that Irish Americans have made to make
11 this a better country and state for all people, designates March
12 2025 to be Irish American Heritage Month in California, and calls
13 upon the people of the state to observe the month of March with
14 appropriate ceremonies, programs, and activities, especially on
15 March 17, because everyone is Irish on St. Patrick's Day; and be
16 it further

17 *Resolved*, That the Chief Clerk of the Assembly transmit copies
18 of this resolution to Ireland's Ambassador to the United States,
19 Geraldine Byrne Nason; Ceann Comhairle of Dáil Éireann, Verona
20 Murphy; Cathaoirleach of Seanad Eireann, Mark Daly; Ireland's
21 Consul General to the Western United States, Micheál Smith;
22 Ireland's Consul General to the South Western United States,
23 Marcella Smyth; and to the author for further appropriate
24 distribution.

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Date of Hearing: March 13, 2024

ASSEMBLY COMMITTEE ON RULES
Blanca Pacheco, Chair
ACR 51 (Haney) – As Introduced March 11, 2025

SUBJECT: Irish American Heritage Month.

SUMMARY: Designates March 2025 as Irish American Heritage Month in California; and, honors the 101 years of diplomatic relations between the United States and Ireland, and the multitude of contributions that Irish Americans have made to make this a better country and state for all people. Specifically, **this resolution** makes the following legislative findings:

- 1) The democratic expression of the people of Ireland's will in 1918 led directly to the establishment of an independent state and enabled the people of Ireland to enjoy the freedom they have today.
- 2) The First Dáil gave a voice to the people of Ireland's expression of self-determination in the 1918 general election. On January 21, 1919, the first meeting of the unicameral parliament of the revolutionary Irish Republic, known as the First Dáil Éireann, met in the City of Dublin's Mansion House to declare Ireland to be an independent nation and to establish its alternative parliament.
- 3) The United States recognized and established diplomatic relations with the Irish Free State in 1924. Millions of Irish people, faced with severe hardship due to famine and poverty in their nation, immigrated to the United States over the last several centuries in search of a more promising future for themselves and their families.
- 4) Irish Americans initially suffered prejudice and discrimination upon first arriving in the United States. As the years went on, Irish Americans became deeply integrated in their communities and made numerous contributions in all aspects of American society and culture.
- 5) Irish Americans played vital roles in the development of the United States. Nine Irish Americans were signers of the Declaration of Independence, and 23 Presidents of the United States have been of Irish heritage, including John F. Kennedy, Ronald Reagan, Bill Clinton, George H. W. Bush, Barack Obama, and Joe Biden.
- 6) Irish Americans have also played a major role in California politics as governors, legislative leaders, city mayors, and other public officials who have worked tirelessly to build California into the state that it is today.
- 7) Irish Americans were significantly involved in the development of infrastructure throughout the United States, especially in the State of California, including work on railroads and bridges that connected the west to the east.
- 8) Many Irish Americans have made their mark as peace officers and firefighters and have risked or lost their lives on countless occasions in carrying out their duties.

- 9) Today, over 35 million Americans claim Irish heritage, and they continue to contribute to the politics, economy, and culture of the United States and California.

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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House Resolution

No. 24

Introduced by Assembly Member Nguyen

March 6, 2025

House Resolution No. 24—Relative to Developmental Disabilities Awareness Month.

1 WHEREAS, March is recognized nationwide as Developmental
2 Disabilities Awareness Month, which honors the progress in, and
3 opportunities for, supporting community life for people with
4 developmental disabilities; and

5 WHEREAS, The United States Congress enacted the
6 Developmental Disabilities Assistance and Bill of Rights Act of
7 2000, and a precursor in 1975, to ensure that individuals with
8 developmental disabilities and their families can access quality
9 services that promote self-determination, independence,
10 productivity, integration, and inclusion in all facets of community
11 life; and

12 WHEREAS, In 1965, the Legislature passed Assembly Bill 691
13 of the 1965 Regular Session, authored by Assembly Member
14 Waldie, with two pilot regional centers opening in 1966 to provide
15 community services to people with developmental disabilities,
16 which was expanded statewide in 1969 as the Lanterman
17 Developmental Disabilities Services Act (Lanterman Act); and

18 WHEREAS, Through the Lanterman Act, the state has
19 empowered people with developmental disabilities to lead lives
20 of greater inclusion and self-direction in communities of their
21 choosing for nearly 60 years; and

22 WHEREAS, Those disabilities are defined as autism, epilepsy,
23 cerebral palsy, intellectual disability, and conditions that are either

1 closely related to, or require similar services as, intellectual
2 disability, and significantly impact the life of the individual; and

3 WHEREAS, The Lanterman Act now benefits over 430,000
4 individuals with developmental disabilities and their families; and

5 WHEREAS, Regional centers across the state and their frontline
6 service coordinators are lifelong connections to services that make
7 having a good quality of life possible; and

8 WHEREAS, The work completed within regional centers is
9 intended to provide visibility to developmental disabilities in early
10 childhood years and increase access to early intervention services;
11 and

12 WHEREAS, The daily lives of people with developmental
13 disabilities and their families are founded on the work of direct
14 support professionals and over 40,000 service providers; and

15 WHEREAS, Regional centers and service providers continue
16 to develop new and existing modes of service that are culturally
17 competent; and

18 WHEREAS, People with developmental disabilities, including
19 self-advocates, are the most important drivers of change in our
20 system, which prioritizes individuals' self-expressed needs,
21 interests, and goals; and

22 WHEREAS, The ways in which people with developmental
23 disabilities thrive in the community are changing and expanding,
24 including through the federal Home and Community-Based
25 Services Final Rule, the Self-Determination Program, competitive
26 integrated employment, and person-centered service modalities;
27 now, therefore, be it

28 *Resolved by the Assembly of the State of California*, That the
29 Assembly recognizes the month of March 2025 as Developmental
30 Disabilities Awareness Month; and be it further

31 *Resolved*, That the Assembly salutes the self-advocates and their
32 families who are critical to informing every element of this system,
33 as well as the state, of their perspectives, goals, and desires,
34 providing an authentic and lived experience to shape how people
35 with developmental disabilities are served; and be it further

36 *Resolved*, That the Assembly commends the direct support
37 professionals, service coordinators, regional centers, and service
38 providers for their work; and be it further

- 1 *Resolved*, That the Assembly honors the work of families in
- 2 their love and commitment to their family members with
- 3 developmental disabilities; and be it further
- 4 *Resolved*, That the Chief Clerk of the Assembly transmit copies
- 5 of this resolution to the author for appropriate distribution.

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Date of Hearing: March 13, 2025

ASSEMBLY COMMITTEE ON RULES
Blanca Pacheco, Chair
HR 24 (Nguyen) – As Introduced March 6, 2025

SUBJECT: Developmental Disabilities Awareness Month.

SUMMARY: Recognizes the month of March 2025 as Developmental Disabilities Awareness Month; and, salutes the self-advocates and their families who are critical to informing every element of this system, as well as the state, of their perspectives, goals, and desires, providing an authentic and lived experience to shape how people with developmental disabilities are served. Specifically, **this resolution** makes the following legislative findings:

- 1) March is recognized nationwide as Developmental Disabilities Awareness Month, which honors the progress in, and opportunities for, supporting community life for people with developmental disabilities.
- 2) In 1965, the Legislature passed Assembly Bill 691 of the 1965 Regular Session, authored by Assembly Member Waldie, with two pilot regional centers opening in 1966 to provide community services to people with developmental disabilities, which was expanded statewide in 1969 as the Lanterman Developmental Disabilities Services Act (Lanterman Act).
- 3) Through the Lanterman Act, the state has empowered people with developmental disabilities to lead lives of greater inclusion and self-direction in communities of their choosing for nearly 60 years.
- 4) Those disabilities are defined as autism, epilepsy, cerebral palsy, intellectual disability, and conditions that are either closely related to, or require similar services as, intellectual disability, and significantly impact the life of the individual.
- 5) The Lanterman Act now benefits over 430,000 individuals with developmental disabilities and their families. Regional centers across the state and their frontline service coordinators are lifelong connections to services that make having a good quality of life possible.
- 6) The daily lives of people with developmental disabilities and their families are founded on the work of direct support professionals and over 40,000 service providers. Regional centers and service providers continue to develop new and existing modes of service that are culturally competent.
- 7) People with developmental disabilities, including self-advocates, are the most important drivers of change in our system, which prioritizes individuals' self-expressed needs, interests, and goals.
- 8) The ways in which people with developmental disabilities thrive in the community are changing and expanding, including through the federal Home and Community-Based Services Final Rule, the Self-Determination Program, competitive integrated employment, and person-centered service modalities.

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

REGISTERED SUPPORT / OPPOSITION:

Support

None on file

Opposition

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RE: Request to Add an Urgency Clause to AB 597

Dear Chair Pacheco,

I am writing to respectfully request that an urgency clause be added to AB 597. This bill is critical in preventing unfair fees and price gouging by public adjusters (PAs), particularly in the aftermath of major disasters. It provides essential protections for both residential and certain commercial property owners.

The devastation caused by the Los Angeles wildfires has been catastrophic. According to CalMatters, over 16,200 structures have been destroyed, and 150,000 residents have been displaced. In the wake of such destruction, homeowners and business owners are vulnerable to predatory practices.

Adding an urgency clause to AB 597 is imperative to ensure wildfire victims receive immediate protections and are not further exploited during their recovery.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "John Harabedian".

JOHN HARABEDIAN
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