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Thursday, April 27, 2023
15 minutes prior to Session
State Capitol, Room 126

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Memo

To: Rules Committee Members
From: Michael Erke, Bill Referral Consultant
Date: 4/26/2023
Re: Consent Bill Referrals

Since you received your preliminary list of bill referrals, there have been no changes.

REFERRAL OF BILLS TO COMMITTEE

04/27/2023

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

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Assembly Concurrent Resolution

No. 14

Introduced by Assembly Member Luz Rivas

February 13, 2023

Assembly Concurrent Resolution No. 14—Relative to Guillain-Barré Syndrome.

LEGISLATIVE COUNSEL’S DIGEST

ACR 14, as introduced, Luz Rivas. Public health: Guillain-Barré syndrome Awareness Month.

This measure would declare May 2023 as Guillain-Barré Syndrome Awareness Month.

Fiscal committee: no.

- 1 WHEREAS, Guillain-Barré syndrome (GBS) is a rare disorder
2 where the body’s immune system damages nerves. The damage
3 to the nerves causes muscle weakness and sometimes paralysis;
4 and
5 WHEREAS, According to the federal Centers for Disease
6 Control and Prevention, an estimated 3,000 to 6,000 people in the
7 United States develop GBS every year; and
8 WHEREAS, Anyone can develop GBS, but people older than
9 50 years are at greatest risk; and
10 WHEREAS, While the cause of GBS is not fully understood,
11 the syndrome often occurs following an infection from a virus or
12 bacteria; and
13 WHEREAS, Recognizing the early symptoms of GBS is
14 important; and

1 WHEREAS, Symptoms usually begin with tingling or weakness
2 in both legs and, in some cases, progress to weakness and tingling
3 in the arms and upper body; and
4 WHEREAS, Muscle weakness from GBS can cause muscle
5 atrophy and, in severe cases, paralysis; and
6 WHEREAS, Symptoms from GBS can progress over hours,
7 days, or weeks; and
8 WHEREAS, While some patients begin to recover two to three
9 weeks after the onset of symptoms, recovery for others can take
10 as long as a few years; and
11 WHEREAS, While most people recover fully from GBS, some
12 patients experience permanent nerve damage and even death; now,
13 therefore, be it
14 *Resolved by the Assembly of the State of California, the Senate*
15 *thereof concurring*, That the Legislature hereby declares May 2023
16 as Guillain-Barré Syndrome Awareness Month in order to educate
17 the public and increase awareness of the syndrome; and be it further
18 *Resolved*, That the Chief Clerk of the Assembly transmit copies
19 of this resolution to the author for appropriate distribution.

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Date of Hearing: April 27, 2023

ASSEMBLY COMMITTEE ON RULES
James Ramos, Chair
ACR 14 (Luz Rivas) – As Introduced February 13, 2023

SUBJECT: Public health: Guillain-Barré syndrome Awareness Month.

SUMMARY: Declares May 2023 as Guillain-Barré Syndrome Awareness Month, in order to educate the public and increase awareness of the syndrome. Specifically, **this resolution** makes the following legislative findings:

- 1) Guillain-Barré syndrome (GBS) is a rare disorder where the body’s immune system damages nerves. The damage to the nerves causes muscle weakness and sometimes paralysis.
- 2) Anyone can develop GBS, but people older than 50 years are at greatest risk. According to the federal Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, an estimated 3,000 to 6,000 people in the United States develop GBS every year.
- 3) While the cause of GBS is not fully understood, the syndrome often occurs following an infection from a virus or bacteria.
- 4) Recognizing the early symptoms of GBS is important. Symptoms from GBS can progress over hours, days, or weeks, and usually begin with tingling or weakness in both legs and, in some cases, progress to weakness and tingling in the arms and upper body.
- 5) While some patients begin to recover two to three weeks after the onset of symptoms, recovery for others can take as long as a few years. And, although most people recover fully from GBS, some patients experience permanent nerve damage and even death.

FISCAL EFFECT: None

REGISTERED SUPPORT / OPPOSITION:

Support

None on file

Opposition

None on file

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

Assembly Concurrent Resolution

No. 29

Introduced by Assembly Member Quirk-Silva

March 2, 2023

Assembly Concurrent Resolution No. 29—Relative to Student Mental Health Awareness Week in California.

LEGISLATIVE COUNSEL’S DIGEST

ACR 29, as introduced, Quirk-Silva. Student Mental Health Awareness Week in California.

This measure would recognize May 8, 2023, to May 12, 2023, inclusive, as Student Mental Health Awareness Week in California.

Fiscal committee: no.

1 WHEREAS, Mental health is an important part of a child’s
2 overall health and well-being. Mental health includes children’s
3 mental, emotional, and behavioral well-being, and mental health
4 affects how children think, feel, and act; and

5 WHEREAS, Mental health issues among children can seriously
6 change how children learn, behave, or handle their emotions,
7 causing distress and problems in getting through the day; and

8 WHEREAS, Additionally, the use of social media by students
9 can result in social anxiety or depression and may result in a
10 tendency to spend more time online and reduce students’ real
11 face-to-face interactions with other people; and

12 WHEREAS, More than 42 percent of high school students
13 experienced persistent feelings of sadness or hopelessness in 2021,
14 a 50-percent increase since 2011; and

1 WHEREAS, In 2021, research shows 51 percent of students
2 were reported to be overwhelmed by virtual learning and 31 percent
3 of students experienced the loss of a loved one; and

4 WHEREAS, Currently, roughly one-fifth of students, or 22
5 percent, felt they might be traumatized and would not be the same
6 because of the pandemic, and 45 percent of students reported
7 feeling depressed; and

8 WHEREAS, The early identification and treatment of mental
9 health and behavioral issues are critical components for a healthy
10 student body and school community; and

11 WHEREAS, The role of school counselors, social workers, and
12 psychologists in serving children and youth in schools has an
13 opportunity to address student mental and behavioral health early
14 and effectively; and

15 WHEREAS, Students often struggle with mental health and
16 behavioral issues, and school counselors help to identify the
17 warning signs from students; and

18 WHEREAS, School counselors also offer a range of services
19 to help reduce mental health stigma; and

20 WHEREAS, Students are provided with services and programs
21 by school counselors that aim to improve students' feelings of
22 connectedness within the school environment; and

23 WHEREAS, Support for all students regarding trauma caused
24 by racial injustice is often addressed by school counselors who are
25 also in a position to promote equity and healing; and

26 WHEREAS, The need for comprehensive and coordinated
27 mental and behavioral health services for students in school is a
28 critical part of an overall education plan; and

29 WHEREAS, It is important to set aside a week that recognizes
30 the mental health of students in order to support the needs and
31 well-being of students in California; now, therefore, be it

32 *Resolved by the Assembly of the State of California, the Senate*
33 *thereof concurring*, That the Legislature hereby recognizes May
34 8, 2023, to May 12, 2023, inclusive, as Student Mental Health
35 Awareness Week in California; 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: April 27, 2023

ASSEMBLY COMMITTEE ON RULES
James Ramos, Chair
ACR 29 (Quirk-Silva) – As Introduced March 2, 2023

SUBJECT: Student Mental Health Awareness Week in California.

SUMMARY: Recognizes May 8, 2023, to May 12, 2023, inclusive, as Student Mental Health Awareness Week in California. Specifically, **this resolution** makes the following legislative findings:

- 1) Mental health is an important part of a child’s overall health and well-being. Mental health includes children’s mental, emotional, and behavioral well-being, and mental health affects how children think, feel, and act.
- 2) Mental health issues among children can seriously change how children learn, behave, or handle their emotions, causing distress and problems in getting through the day.
- 3) Additionally, the use of social media by students can result in social anxiety or depression and may result in a tendency to spend more time online and reduce students’ real face-to-face interactions with other people.
- 4) More than 42 percent of high school students experienced persistent feelings of sadness or hopelessness in 2021, a 50-percent increase since 2011. And, research shows 51 percent of students were reported to be overwhelmed by virtual learning and 31 percent of students experienced the loss of a loved one.
- 5) The early identification and treatment of mental health and behavioral issues are critical components for a healthy student body and school community. School counselors, social workers, and psychologists serving children and youth in schools have an opportunity to address student mental and behavioral health early and effectively.
- 6) Support for all students regarding trauma caused by racial injustice is often addressed by school counselors who are also in a position to promote equity and healing.
- 7) The need for comprehensive and coordinated mental and behavioral health services for students in school is a critical part of an overall education plan.
- 8) It is important to set aside a week that recognizes the mental health of students in order to support the needs and well-being of students in California.

FISCAL EFFECT: None

REGISTERED SUPPORT / OPPOSITION:

Support

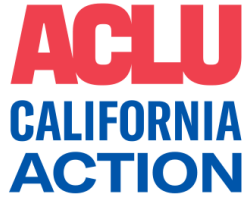
American Civil Liberties Union (ACLU) California Action
California Association of School Social Workers (CASSW)
Excel Academy Charter School

Los Angeles Unified School District
Patterson Joint Unified School District
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Opposition

None on file

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April 17, 2023

The Honorable Sharon Quirk-Silva
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**Re: ACR 29 – as introduced
SUPPORT**

Dear Assemblymember Quirk-Silva:

American Civil Liberties Union California Action is pleased to support your ACR 29, which proposes to designate the week of May 8-12, 2023 as Student Mental Health Awareness Week in California. As advocates for mental health, we believe that this resolution is an important step towards raising awareness about the critical issue of children and adolescent mental health.

Mental health issues among children and adolescents are a growing concern, with studies showing that one in five young people experience some form of mental health problem including mental health challenges such as anxiety, depression, and trauma. These issues can have a significant impact on a student's academic performance, social interactions, and overall well-being. A week set aside for student mental health awareness will create an opportunity to draw attention to this important issue and encourage schools and communities to take action.

We believe that ACR 29 will increase awareness of student mental health at the school level, encouraging dialogue and action to support the development of effective strategies for promoting positive mental health among young people. This resolution will also help to reduce the stigma associated with mental health challenges which can be a major barrier to seeking help and support.

ACR 29 has the potential to make a real difference in the lives of young people across California, and it is an important step towards creating a healthier, happier, and more resilient generation.

For these reasons, ACLU California Action supports your ACR 29. Thank you for your leadership on and attention to this important matter.

Sincerely

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Carmen-Nicole Cox".

Carmen-Nicole Cox
Director of Government Affairs

cc: Members and Committee Staff, Assembly Committee on Education

April 18, 2023

The Honorable Sharon Quirk-Silva
1021 O Street, Suite 4210
Sacramento, CA 95814

Dear Assembly Member Quirk-Silva:

RE: Support for ACR 29 (Quirk-Silva) – Student Mental Health Awareness Week in California

On behalf of the California Association of School Social Workers (CASSW), I am writing in support of your bill, Assembly Concurrent Resolution ([ACR](#) 29, which proposes to designate the week of May 8-12, 2023 as Student Mental Health Awareness Week in California. As a concerned citizen and advocate for mental health, I believe that this resolution is an important step towards raising awareness about the critical issue of children and adolescent mental health.

Mental health issues among children and adolescents are a growing concern, with studies showing that one in five young people experience some form of mental health problem including mental health challenges such as anxiety, depression, and trauma. These issues can have a significant impact on a student's academic performance, social interactions, and overall well-being. A week set aside for student mental health awareness will create an opportunity to draw attention to this important issue and encourage schools and communities to take action.

School social workers play a crucial role in supporting the mental health of students. They provide a range of services including therapy, crisis intervention, and connecting students and families to community based organizations for long term support. School social workers work with all students utilizing a Multi Tiered System of Support. Their specialized training in ecological theory and ethical mandate to work for social justice. In addition to the immediate mental health needs of individuals they consider and address systems of oppression, such as racism, and poverty. By addressing these challenges early on, school social workers can prevent these issues from impacting a student's academic performance and overall well-being. Furthermore, they provide a safe and confidential space for students to talk about their feelings and emotions, which can help reduce the stigma associated with seeking mental health support. Ultimately, the work of school social workers in supporting mental health is essential for ensuring that all students have the opportunity to thrive and reach their full potential.

We believe that ACR 29 will increase awareness of student mental health at the school level, encouraging dialogue and action to support the development of effective strategies for promoting positive mental health among young people. This resolution will also help to reduce the stigma associated with mental health challenges which can be a major barrier to seeking help and support.

ACR 29 has the potential to make a real difference in the lives of young people across California, and it is an important step towards creating a healthier, happier, and more resilient generation. Thank you for your leadership and attention to this important matter.

Sincerely,

Patrick Mulkern, LCSW, PPSC

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4/20/2023

The Honorable Sharon Quirk-Silva
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Dear Assembly Member Quirk-Silva:

RE: Support for ACR 29 (Quirk-Silva) – Student Mental Health Awareness Week in California

On behalf of Excel Academy Charter School, I am writing in support of your bill, Assembly Concurrent Resolution [\(ACR\) 29](#), which proposes to designate the week of May 8-12, 2023 as Student Mental Health Awareness Week in California. As a concerned citizen and advocate for mental health, I believe that this resolution is an important step towards raising awareness about the critical issue of children and adolescent mental health.

Mental health issues among children and adolescents are a growing concern, with studies showing that one in five young people experience some form of mental health problem including mental health challenges such as anxiety, depression, and trauma. These issues can have a significant impact on a student's academic performance, social interactions, and overall well-being. A week set aside for student mental health awareness will create an opportunity to draw attention to this important issue and encourage schools and communities to take action.

As a 2023 California Distinguished School, Excel Academy stands on a foundation of integrity, high standards, and collaboration. Excel Academy is a personalized learning model, serving students in Los Angeles, San Bernardino, Riverside, Orange, and San Diego Counties. Excel Academy believes that students' social and emotional wellbeing is as important as their academic wellbeing, and we work hard to provide many resources and outlets to support students.

We believe that ACR 29 will increase awareness of student mental health at the school level, encouraging dialogue and action to support the development of effective strategies for promoting positive mental health among young people. This resolution will also help to reduce the stigma associated with mental health challenges which can be a major barrier to seeking help and support.

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Thank you for your leadership and attention to this important matter.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads 'Heidi Gasca'. The signature is written in a cursive style with a large, prominent 'H' and 'G'.

Heidi Gasca
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LOS ANGELES UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT
Office of Government Relations



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April 26, 2023

The Honorable Sharon Quirk-Silva
California State Assembly
1021 O Street, Room 4210
Sacramento, CA 95814

Regarding: Assembly Concurrent Resolution 29 (Quirk-Silva), as Introduced on
March 2, 2023
Position: Support
Status: Assembly Rules Committee

Dear Assemblymember Quirk-Silva,

The Los Angeles Unified School District (Los Angeles Unified) is pleased to support Assembly Concurrent Resolution 29, your resolution to recognize the week of May 8, 2023 to May 12, 2023 as Student Mental Health Awareness Week in California.

There has never been a more important time to focus on students' mental health. Disruption to academic and social lives of students during the COVID-19 pandemic exasperated many existing traumas, including food and housing insecurity and access to health care and safe spaces. Suicide rates continue to climb in the wake of the pandemic, and bullying over social-media decreases a student's desire to seek in-person relationships.

ACR 29 brings a much-needed awareness to the dire need of mental health supports for students in California, and directly aligns with pillar two of Los Angeles Unified's strategic plan, joy and wellness. Attending to the well-being of the whole-child lays a solid foundation for learning and development. Los Angeles Unified provides a continuum of support services to students, and constantly seeks ways to remove stigmas of seeking help. ACR 29 identifies the critical need of prevention and early intervention to protect students from harm and give them the tools to manage the hardships they will encounter in their lives, and emphasizes the vital role that school counselors and social workers have with mitigating trauma.

For these reasons, Los Angeles Unified is pleased to support ACR 29 and we thank you for your commitment to student wellness.

Sincerely,
Martha Alvarez

Martha Alvarez
Chief of Legislative & Governmental Affairs



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Apr 18, 2023

The Honorable Sharon Quirk-Silva
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Dear Assembly Member Quirk-Silva:

RE: Support for ACR 29 (Quirk-Silva) – Student Mental Health Awareness Week in California

On behalf of Patterson Joint Unified School District, I am writing in support of your bill, Assembly Concurrent Resolution ([ACR](#)) 29, which proposes to designate the week of May 8-12, 2023 as Student Mental Health Awareness Week in California. As a concerned citizen and advocate for mental health, I believe that this resolution is an important step towards raising awareness about the critical issue of children and adolescent mental health.

Mental health issues among children and adolescents are a growing concern, with studies showing that one in five young people experience some form of mental health problem including mental health challenges such as anxiety, depression, and trauma. These issues can have a significant impact on a student's academic performance, social interactions, and overall well-being. A week set aside for student mental health awareness will create an opportunity to draw attention to this important issue and encourage schools and communities to take action.

Patterson Joint Unified School District has a population of 6952 students. We have 10 schools in our District. We believe Safety and wellness are essential components of an environment that is conducive to teaching and learning. Our District strives to provide comprehensive programs that meet the wellness needs of both students and staff, including timely access and opportunities for these supports.

We believe that ACR 29 will increase awareness of student mental health at the school level, encouraging dialogue and action to support the development of effective strategies for promoting positive mental health among young people. This resolution will also help to reduce the stigma associated with mental health challenges which can be a major barrier to seeking help and support.

ACR 29 has the potential to make a real difference in the lives of young people across California, and it is an important step towards creating a healthier, happier, and more resilient generation.

Thank you for your leadership and attention to this important matter.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Tracy Manzoni'.

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March 10, 2023

The Honorable Sharon Quirk-Silva
California State Assembly
1021 O Street, Room 4210
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**RE: Assembly Concurrent Resolution 29 (Quirk-Silva): California Student Mental Health Week (As Introduced March 2, 2023)
Position: SUPPORT**

Dear Assembly Member Quirk-Silva:

On behalf of the Riverside County Superintendent of Schools, we are pleased to support Assembly Concurrent Resolution 29 (Quirk-Silva), a measure to declare May 8-12, 2023 as Student Mental Health Awareness Week in California.

Children and youth mental health issues are real, widespread, and treatable. Researchers have found that the rate of mental health disorders in children and youth has steadily increased over the past two decades. Data from the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention indicate that one in six of our nation's children aged 2-8 has a mental, behavioral, or development disorder. In addition, adverse childhood experiences (ACEs) were common among U.S. adolescents during the pandemic and often resulted in acute consequences for mental health and suicidal behaviors. Tragically, suicide remains a leading cause of death for adolescents.

The decline in student mental health was exacerbated by the pandemic, resulting in even higher rates of depression, anxiety, and self-harm – with a disproportionate impact on students of color and students in poverty. Health professionals have warned that the effects of COVID-19 will be long lasting. Studies have shown that traumatic events result in negative long-term effects that can take years to overcome.

It is critical that every child has ready access to effective and affordable mental health services. In 2021, the Riverside County Superintendent of Schools launched a Mental Health Initiative to support student wellbeing and success. Wellness centers have been established at various sites throughout the county. These “CAREspaces” are increasing mental health awareness, access, and assistance and are providing education, training and services to students, families, staff, and the community.

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California needs to continue to invest in mental health services within the public school setting by allocating funds specifically for mental health services, by coordinating and streamlining the fragmented funding and delivery system, and by expanding the workforce. We deeply appreciate recent efforts, through legislation and budget actions, to attempt to make these goals a reality.

Student Mental Health Week can play a critical role in educating students, faculty, caregivers, and the community at-large about the factors related to trauma, depression, anxiety, and other mental disorders. While the Riverside County Office of Education is making special efforts during the week of May 8-12, 2023 to acknowledge the importance of student mental health, we recognize that year-round attention to this important issue is paramount to the health and success of our students.

ACR 29 will help draw attention to the critical mental health needs of California's students and will help direct our actions toward intervening and creating positive change in every student's life. For these reasons, we appreciate your introduction of ACR 29 and for your leadership and support of California's students.

Sincerely,



Jeffrey A. Vaca
Chief Governmental Relations Officer
Office of the Riverside County Superintendent of Schools

JAV:cl

cc: Riverside County Legislative Delegation

Assembly Concurrent Resolution

No. 36

Introduced by Assembly Member Connolly

March 8, 2023

Assembly Concurrent Resolution No. 36—Relative to Compost Awareness Week.

LEGISLATIVE COUNSEL’S DIGEST

ACR 36, as introduced, Connolly. Compost Awareness Week.

This measure would designate the week of May 7, 2023, through May 13, 2023, as Compost Awareness Week.

Fiscal committee: no.

1 WHEREAS, Composting is an effective form of waste reduction,
2 reuse, and recycling, and since organic materials make up over 30
3 percent of the material going to landfills, composting is becoming
4 one of the primary methods communities use to reach waste
5 diversion goals and create sustainable communities; and

6 WHEREAS, Chapter 719 of the Statutes of 2014 phased out
7 diversion credits for organic alternative daily cover in landfills,
8 Chapter 727 of the Statutes of 2014 statutorily mandated
9 commercial recycling of organics, and Chapter 593 of the Statutes
10 of 2015 required organic waste recycling planning by local
11 jurisdictions; and

12 WHEREAS, Section 42649.87 of the Public Resources Code
13 requires the California Environmental Protection Agency, in
14 coordination with the Department of Resources Recycling and
15 Recovery, the State Water Resources Control Board, the State Air
16 Resources Board, the Department of Food and Agriculture, and

1 the Department of Forestry and Fire Protection, to “develop and
2 implement policies to aid in diverting organic waste from landfills
3 by promoting the use of agricultural, forestry, and urban organic
4 waste as a feedstock for compost and by promoting the appropriate
5 use of that compost throughout the state to improve the state’s soil
6 organic matter”; and

7 WHEREAS, Chapter 395 of the Statutes of 2016 required the
8 State Air Resources Board to incorporate new targets for landfill
9 diversion and reduction of methane emissions from livestock and
10 dairy operations in its comprehensive short-lived climate pollutant
11 strategy, and specifically recognized the important role composting
12 has in achieving those targets; and

13 WHEREAS, Organic residual materials, including yard
14 trimmings, vegetable cuttings, biosolids, food scraps, manures,
15 rice hulls, almond hulls, and hay shavings, are being composted
16 and converted into beneficial compost products; and

17 WHEREAS, Returning organic resources, remanufactured into
18 compost and applied to the soil, reduces water consumption by
19 over 30 percent on all soil types, conserves water during extreme
20 drought or flooding conditions, decreases dependence on chemical
21 fertilizers and pesticides, and decreases erosion and nonpoint source
22 pollution; and

23 WHEREAS, Composting is recognized by the State Air
24 Resources Board as an important tool to sequester massive amounts
25 of carbon in California’s soils to help immediately reverse global
26 warming by drawing down excess carbon dioxide from the
27 atmosphere and storing it deep in California’s soils; and

28 WHEREAS, Communities, through their local governments,
29 highway departments, soil conservation services, and public works
30 professionals, can have positive impacts on clean water, soil,
31 climate change, and landfill diversion by using compost for public
32 works projects; and

33 WHEREAS, International Compost Awareness Week is a
34 multimedia publicity and educational initiative to showcase
35 compost production and demonstrate compost use initiated and
36 supported by compost industry organizations around the world;
37 and

38 WHEREAS, Composting creates green jobs and infrastructure
39 for cities and states that implement composting programs; and

1 WHEREAS, The United States Composting Council, Canada,
2 and the United Kingdom have declared the first week of May to
3 be the annual International Compost Awareness Week; and

4 WHEREAS, The Association of Compost Producers is the
5 California State Chapter of the United States Composting Council
6 and manages International Compost Awareness Week in California;
7 and

8 WHEREAS, All California citizens produce organic residual
9 feedstocks that are remanufactured into compost, from their
10 backyards to their regional industrial scale compost production
11 facilities, collectively producing over 10 million tons of compost
12 and mulch each year; and

13 WHEREAS, California intends to almost double its compost
14 production capacity in the next five years; and

15 WHEREAS, The theme for 2023, “For Healthier Soil, Healthier
16 Food... Compost!,” is a great current message for California
17 citizens, municipal leaders, and farmers to continue to learn the
18 benefits to communities, property owners, and agricultural growers;
19 now, therefore, be it

20 *Resolved by the Assembly of the State of California, the Senate*
21 *thereof concurring*, That the week of May 7, 2023, through May
22 13, 2023, is hereby designated as Compost Awareness Week; and
23 be it further

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

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Date of Hearing: April 27, 2023

ASSEMBLY COMMITTEE ON RULES
James Ramos, Chair
ACR 36 (Connolly) – As Introduced March 8, 2023

SUBJECT: Compost Awareness Week.

SUMMARY: Designates the week of May 7, 2023, through May 13, 2023, as Compost Awareness Week. Specifically, **this resolution** makes the following legislative findings:

- 1) Composting is an effective form of waste reduction, reuse, and recycling, and since organic materials make up over 30 percent of the material going to landfills, composting is becoming one of the primary methods communities use to reach waste diversion goals and create sustainable communities.
- 2) Section 42649.87 of the Public Resources Code requires the California Environmental Protection Agency, in coordination with the Department of Resources Recycling and Recovery, the State Water Resources Control Board, the State Air Resources Board, the Department of Food and Agriculture, and the Department of Forestry and Fire Protection, to “develop and implement policies to aid in diverting organic waste from landfills by promoting the use of agricultural, forestry, and urban organic waste as a feedstock for compost and by promoting the appropriate use of that compost throughout the state to improve the state’s soil organic matter”.
- 3) Organic residual materials, including yard trimmings, vegetable cuttings, biosolids, food scraps, manures, rice hulls, almond hulls, and hay shavings, are being composted and converted into beneficial compost products.
- 4) Returning organic resources, remanufactured into compost and applied to the soil, reduces water consumption by over 30 percent on all soil types, conserves water during extreme drought or flooding conditions, decreases dependence on chemical fertilizers and pesticides, and decreases erosion and nonpoint source pollution.
- 5) Communities, through their local governments, highway departments, soil conservation services, and public works professionals, can have positive impacts on clean water, soil, climate change, and landfill diversion by using compost for public works projects.
- 6) Composting creates green jobs and infrastructure for cities and states that implement composting programs. California intends to almost double its compost production capacity in the next five years.
- 7) All California citizens produce organic residual feedstocks that are remanufactured into compost, from their backyards to their regional industrial scale compost production facilities, collectively producing over 10 million tons of compost and mulch each year.
- 8) The theme for 2023, “For Healthier Soil, Healthier Food... Compost!,” is a great current message for California citizens, municipal leaders, and farmers to continue to learn the benefits to communities, property owners, and agricultural growers.

FISCAL EFFECT: None

REGISTERED SUPPORT / OPPOSITION:

Support

None on file

Opposition

None on file

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

Assembly Concurrent Resolution

No. 59

Introduced by Assembly Member Robert Rivas

April 13, 2023

Assembly Concurrent Resolution No. 59—Relative to stuttering awareness week.

LEGISLATIVE COUNSEL’S DIGEST

ACR 59, as introduced, Robert Rivas. Stuttering Awareness Week.

This measure would designate the week of May 8, 2023, to May 13, 2023, inclusive, as 2023 Stuttering Awareness Week.

Fiscal committee: no.

1 WHEREAS, Stuttering is a speech dysfluency characterized by
2 repetition of sounds, syllables, or words, prolongation of sounds,
3 and interruptions in speech; and

4 WHEREAS, It is estimated that about 1 percent of the world’s
5 population stutters and roughly 3,000,000 Americans stutter; and

6 WHEREAS, Organizations dedicated to bringing hope and
7 empowerment to children and adults who stutter through support,
8 education, and advocacy have locations throughout California;
9 and

10 WHEREAS, Paul Castellano and Barbara Hubbard Koval
11 organized the drive to win Congressional recognition for people
12 who stutter, and in 1988 President Ronald Reagan signed a
13 proclamation establishing the second week in May 1988 as
14 National Stuttering Awareness Week; and

15 WHEREAS, Many stutterers feel frustration and embarrassment
16 that can lead to harmful emotional stress; and

1 WHEREAS, Stuttering is a form of verbal diversity and should
2 be recognized as simply a different way of speaking; and
3 WHEREAS, When stuttering continues into adulthood, a person
4 may have difficulty communicating with other people and stuttering
5 may affect a person’s quality of life, interpersonal relationships,
6 job opportunities, and professional growth; and
7 WHEREAS, During National Stuttering Awareness Week, many
8 seek to raise awareness about communication disorders and the
9 many ways that people with the daily challenges of stuttering can
10 be supported; and
11 WHEREAS, By recognizing these challenges we can draw
12 attention to the needs of persons who stutter, shine a light on these
13 often invisible disabilities, and help avoid the negative
14 consequences of misunderstanding stuttering; and
15 WHEREAS, Many years of public advocacy campaigns,
16 personal experiences, and individuals or groups acting as informal
17 ambassadors has raised the awareness of both speech disabilities
18 and stuttering; and
19 WHEREAS, Raising awareness of speech disabilities and
20 stuttering involves awareness not only of individuals but also
21 unique individual needs and contributions; and
22 WHEREAS, As stuttering awareness campaigns have become
23 more common, so too has public awareness and acceptance; and
24 WHEREAS, Progress towards awareness and acceptance is to
25 be both celebrated and built upon; and
26 WHEREAS, The opportunity for inclusiveness is the next logical
27 step in the progress California must make to not only fully support
28 and welcome the voices of people who stutter but to also show
29 their voices are needed; and
30 WHEREAS, A growing number of families in California have
31 a family member with a stutter and know that inclusion is a crucial
32 element for their loved ones’ future success; and
33 WHEREAS, This proclamation will increase and encourage
34 public participation at the local and state government level; now,
35 therefore, be it
36 *Resolved by the Assembly of the State of California, the Senate*
37 *thereof concurring,* That the Legislature hereby proclaims the
38 week of May 8, 2023, to May 13, 2023, inclusive, as 2023
39 Stuttering Awareness Week and encourages all Californians to
40 support the stuttering community; and be it further

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

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Date of Hearing: April 27, 2023

ASSEMBLY COMMITTEE ON RULES
James Ramos, Chair
ACR 59 (Robert Rivas) – As Introduced April 13, 2023

SUBJECT: Stuttering Awareness Week.

SUMMARY: Proclaims the week of May 8, 2023, to May 13, 2023, inclusive, as 2023 Stuttering Awareness Week and encourages all Californians to support the stuttering community. Specifically, **this resolution** makes the following legislative findings:

- 1) Stuttering is a speech dysfluency characterized by repetition of sounds, syllables, or words, prolongation of sounds, and interruptions in speech. It is estimated that about 1 percent of the world's population stutters and roughly 3,000,000 Americans stutter.
- 2) Stuttering is a form of verbal diversity and should be recognized as simply a different way of speaking. Many stutterers feel frustration and embarrassment that can lead to harmful emotional stress.
- 3) When stuttering continues into adulthood, a person may have difficulty communicating with other people and stuttering may affect a person's quality of life, interpersonal relationships, job opportunities, and professional growth.
- 4) By recognizing these challenges we can draw attention to the needs of persons who stutter, shine a light on these often invisible disabilities, and help avoid the negative consequences of misunderstanding stuttering.
- 5) Many years of public advocacy campaigns, personal experiences, and individuals or groups acting as informal ambassadors has raised the awareness of both speech disabilities and stuttering. As stuttering awareness campaigns have become more common, so too has public awareness and acceptance.
- 6) The opportunity for inclusiveness is the next logical step in the progress California must make to not only fully support and welcome the voices of people who stutter but to also show their voices are needed.

FISCAL EFFECT: None

REGISTERED SUPPORT / OPPOSITION:

Support

Proud Stutter

Stuttering: People, Experiences, Awareness, and Knowledge (S.P.E.A.K.)

Opposition

None on file

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



April 21, 2023

The Honorable Robert Rivas
Member, California State Assembly
1021 O Street, Suite 5110
Sacramento, CA 95814

RE: ACR 59 (Rivas, Robert) Stuttering Awareness Week.
Notice of SUPPORT (As Introduced 4/13/2023)

Dear Assembly Member Rivas,

Proud Stutter is honored to sponsor ACR 59 (Rivas, Robert), which would designate the week of May 8, 2023, to May 13, 2023, Stuttering Awareness Week. Proud Stutter is an Ambie Award-nominated podcast founded in 2022 dedicated to changing how we understand & talk about stuttering. Proud Stutter wholeheartedly supports the state's efforts to raise awareness about stuttering and recognizes that stuttering is just a different way of speaking, not something that has to be fixed. It is critical that the state shed light on Californians who stutter, a community that often feels marginalized and stigmatized because of harmful stereotypes that exist in popular culture.

Stuttering impacts one percent of the world population – that's 390,000 people in California alone. California is the birthplace of the disability rights movement, but those of us who communicate with a stutter, still belong to a community that often goes unrecognized. The opportunity for inclusiveness is the next logical step in the progress California must make to not only fully support and welcome the voices of people who stutter but to also show their voices are needed.

San Francisco was the first city in California to declare Stuttering Awareness Week in 2022. The stuttering community is still feeling the positive impacts from that historic event as more articles have come out highlighting the stuttering experience. While we have come a long way in shifting the narrative around stuttering, we need to do more. We're at a critical juncture in the disability justice movement, celebrating 33 years this year of the American with Disabilities Act. But verbal diversity and communications disorder scholarship has not yet translated into representative narratives of people who stutter.

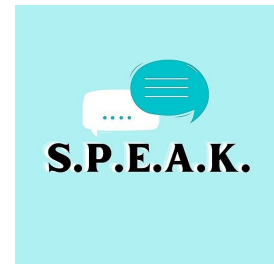
Thank you for your support and leadership on this important issue. Proud Stutter looks forward to working with you to continue helping people who stutter in California feel accepted and heard.

Sincerely,

Maya Chupkov,
Proud Stutter, Founder

April 25, 2023

The Honorable Josh Lowenthal
Member, California State Assembly
1021 O Street, Suite 5130
Sacramento, CA 95814



RE: ACR 59 (Rivas, Robert) Stuttering Awareness Week.

Notice of SUPPORT (As Introduced 4/13/2023)

Dear Assembly Member Lowenthal,

S.P.E.A.K. at California State University, Los Angeles is honored to support ACR 59 (Rivas, Robert), which would designate the week of May 8, 2023, to May 13, 2023, Stuttering Awareness Week. S.P.E.A.K. (Stuttering: People, Experiences, Awareness, and Knowledge) is a student organization that strives to provide education and increase awareness of stuttering and the stuttering experience. By providing a platform for people who stutter to share stories of their experiences and firsthand knowledge, S.P.E.A.K. is not only a crucial resource to students seeking a career in Speech-Language Pathology but also to the community at-large. S.P.E.A.K. wholeheartedly supports the state's efforts to raise awareness about stuttering and recognizes that stuttering is just a different way of speaking, not something that has to be fixed. It is critical that the state shed light on Californians who stutter, a community that often feels marginalized and stigmatized because of harmful stereotypes that exist in popular culture.

Stuttering impacts one percent of the world population – that's 390,000 people in California alone. California is the birthplace of the disability rights movement, but those of us who communicate with a stutter, still belong to a community that often goes unrecognized. The opportunity for inclusiveness is the next logical step in the progress California must make to not only fully support and welcome the voices of people who stutter but to also show their voices are needed.

San Francisco was the first city in California to declare Stuttering Awareness Week in 2022. The stuttering community is still feeling the positive impacts from that historic event as more articles have come out highlighting the stuttering experience. While we have come a long way in shifting the narrative around stuttering, we need to do more. We're at a critical juncture in the disability justice movement, celebrating 33 years this year of the American with Disabilities Act. But verbal diversity and communications disorder scholarship has not yet translated into representative narratives of people who stutter.

Thank you for your support and leadership on this important issue. S.P.E.A.K. looks forward to working with you to continue helping people who stutter in California feel accepted and heard.

Sincerely,
Alan Mendoza,

[Back to S.P.E.A.K.](#), Founder

Assembly Concurrent Resolution

No. 65

Introduced by Assembly Member Alanis

April 20, 2023

Assembly Concurrent Resolution No. 65—Relative to Star Wars Day.

LEGISLATIVE COUNSEL’S DIGEST

ACR 65, as introduced, Alanis. Star Wars Day.
This measure would declare May 4, 2023, as Star Wars Day.
Fiscal committee: no.

1 WHEREAS, Star Wars is a film series and science fiction and
2 fantasy universe created by George Lucas that became one of the
3 most successful and influential franchises in motion picture history;
4 and
5 WHEREAS, George Lucas was born and raised in the City of
6 Modesto. He attended Modesto Junior College and spent his early
7 adult life exploring cinematography. Mr. Lucas transferred to the
8 University of Southern California School of Cinematic Arts, where
9 he began making films, learning from industry leaders, and
10 ultimately writing and directing the first Star Wars film, creating
11 a pop culture phenomenon; and
12 WHEREAS, The first movie, “Star Wars: A New Hope,” was
13 released in 1977 and was made on a budget of only \$11,000,000.
14 It won six Academy Awards, along with a special achievement
15 award for its accomplishments in sound, and revolutionized the
16 motion picture industry with its achievements in special effects;
17 and

1 WHEREAS, Since then, the Star Wars franchise has captured
2 the imaginations and hearts of many and has remained a beloved
3 franchise into the 21st century; and
4 WHEREAS, “May the Fourth be with you,” which started as a
5 pun warmly shared by fans, has become a full-fledged
6 fan-embraced celebration of Star Wars; and
7 WHEREAS, In 2012, the Walt Disney Company acquired the
8 Star Wars franchise, providing new opportunities to expand on
9 this galaxy far, far away, bringing a larger and more dynamic
10 universe with fresh content, including films, books, comics, and
11 television shows, and introducing this beloved universe to a new
12 generation of fans; and
13 WHEREAS, With the opening of Star Wars: Galaxy’s Edge in
14 2019, located in Disneyland Park at the Disneyland Resort in the
15 City of Anaheim, California, fans from all over the world are now
16 able to visit and share in the fully immersive and collective Star
17 Wars experience; now, therefore, be it
18 *Resolved by the Assembly of the State of California, the Senate*
19 *thereof concurring*, That the Legislature declares May 4, 2023, as
20 Star Wars Day; and be it further
21 *Resolved*, That the Chief Clerk of the Assembly transmit copies
22 of this resolution to the author for appropriate distribution.

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Date of Hearing: April 27, 2023

ASSEMBLY COMMITTEE ON RULES
James Ramos, Chair
ACR 65 (Alanis) – As Introduced April 20, 2023

SUBJECT: Star Wars Day.

SUMMARY: Declares May 4, 2023, as Star Wars Day. Specifically, **this resolution** makes the following legislative findings:

- 1) Star Wars is a film series and science fiction and fantasy universe created by George Lucas that became one of the most successful and influential franchises in motion picture history.
- 2) George Lucas was born and raised in the City of Modesto. He attended Modesto Junior College and spent his early adult life exploring cinematography. Mr. Lucas transferred to the University of Southern California School of Cinematic Arts, where he began making films, learning from industry leaders, and ultimately writing and directing the first Star Wars film, creating a pop culture phenomenon.
- 3) The first movie, “Star Wars: A New Hope,” was released in 1977 and was made on a budget of only \$11,000,000. It won six Academy Awards, along with a special achievement award for its accomplishments in sound, and revolutionized the motion picture industry with its achievements in special effects. Since then, the Star Wars franchise has captured the imaginations and hearts of many and has remained a beloved franchise into the 21st century.
- 4) In 2012, the Walt Disney Company acquired the Star Wars franchise, providing new opportunities to expand on this galaxy far, far away, bringing a larger and more dynamic universe with fresh content, including films, books, comics, and television shows, and introducing this beloved universe to a new generation of fans.
- 5) With the opening of Star Wars: Galaxy’s Edge in 2019, located in Disneyland Park at the Disneyland Resort in the City of Anaheim, California, fans from all over the world are now able to visit and share in the fully immersive and collective Star Wars experience.
- 6) “May the Fourth be with you,” which started as a pun warmly shared by fans, has become a full-fledged fan-embraced celebration of Star Wars.

FISCAL EFFECT: None

REGISTERED SUPPORT / OPPOSITION:

Support

None on file

Opposition

None on file

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

House Resolution

No. 15

Introduced by Assembly Member Villapudua

February 17, 2023

House Resolution No. 15—Relative to Necrotizing Fasciitis Awareness Month.

1 WHEREAS, Necrotizing fasciitis was first described in medical
2 literature in 1883 and was originally described as a disease of
3 unknown cause; and

4 WHEREAS, Necrotizing fasciitis is an uncommon clinical
5 disease of the layers of tissue under the skin that is often referred
6 to in popular culture as the flesh-eating bacteria or virus; and

7 WHEREAS, The most common causes of the disease are the
8 bacteria group A hemolytic, *Streptococcus pyogenes*, and
9 *Staphylococcus aureus*, either alone or in combination. Other cases
10 are reported to be caused by other types of bacteria, including those
11 naturally found within the intestines of normal healthy individuals;
12 and

13 WHEREAS, Necrotizing fasciitis can occur in any age group.
14 Although sometimes there are precipitating factors, it is most
15 commonly associated with surgical procedures. It also may be seen
16 in those with diabetes mellitus, atherosclerotic vascular disease,
17 malignancy, and hypertension; and

18 WHEREAS, In rare occasions, necrotizing fasciitis may occur
19 following minor injuries to the skin, falls, cuts, or tears, but
20 sometimes is not apparent and can occur in apparently healthy
21 individuals; and

1 WHEREAS, Though necrotizing fasciitis can affect anywhere
2 on the body, the most common sites are the abdomen, arms, legs,
3 extremities, and face, particularly around the eyes; and

4 WHEREAS, While progress has been made in understanding
5 the symptoms and better diagnosing the disease, there is still much
6 to learn about necrotizing fasciitis; now, therefore, be it

7 *Resolved by the Assembly of the State of California, That the*
8 *Assembly recognizes the month of May 2023 as Necrotizing*
9 *Fasciitis Awareness Month; and be it further*

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

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Date of Hearing: April 27, 2023

ASSEMBLY COMMITTEE ON RULES
James Ramos, Chair
HR 15 (Villapudua) – As Introduced February 17, 2023

SUBJECT: Necrotizing Fasciitis Awareness Month.

SUMMARY: Recognizes the month of May 2023 as Necrotizing Fasciitis Awareness Month. Specifically, **this resolution** makes the following legislative findings:

- 1) Necrotizing fasciitis was first described in medical literature in 1883 and was originally described as a disease of unknown cause.
- 2) Necrotizing fasciitis is an uncommon clinical disease of the layers of tissue under the skin that is often referred to in popular culture as the flesh-eating bacteria or virus.
- 3) The most common causes of the disease are the bacteria group A hemolytic, *Streptococcus pyogenes*, and *Staphylococcus aureus*, either alone or in combination. Other cases are reported to be caused by other types of bacteria, including those naturally found within the intestines of normal healthy individuals.
- 4) Necrotizing fasciitis can occur in any age group. Although sometimes there are precipitating factors, it is most commonly associated with surgical procedures. It also may be seen in those with diabetes mellitus, atherosclerotic vascular disease, malignancy, and hypertension.
- 5) In rare occasions, necrotizing fasciitis may occur following minor injuries to the skin, falls, cuts, or tears, but sometimes is not apparent and can occur in apparently healthy individuals.
- 6) Though necrotizing fasciitis can affect anywhere on the body, the most common sites are the abdomen, arms, legs, extremities, and face, particularly around the eyes.
- 7) While progress has been made in understanding the symptoms and better diagnosing the disease, there is still much to learn about necrotizing fasciitis.

FISCAL EFFECT: None

REGISTERED SUPPORT / OPPOSITION:

Support

None on file

Opposition

None on file

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

House Resolution

No. 19

Introduced by Assembly Member Boerner

March 7, 2023

House Resolution No. 19—Relative to Tardive Dyskinesia Awareness Week.

1 WHEREAS, Many people with serious mental health conditions,
2 such as bipolar disorder, major depression, schizophrenia, and
3 schizoaffective disorder, or gastrointestinal disorders, including
4 gastroparesis, nausea, and vomiting, may be treated with
5 medications that work as dopamine receptor blocking agents
6 (DRBAs), including antipsychotics; and

7 WHEREAS, While ongoing treatment with these medications
8 can be necessary, prolonged use can also lead to Tardive
9 Dyskinesia (TD), an involuntary movement disorder that is
10 characterized by uncontrollable, abnormal, and repetitive
11 movements of the face, torso, or other body parts; and

12 WHEREAS, It is estimated that TD affects approximately
13 600,000 people in the United States and approximately 70 percent
14 of people with TD remain undiagnosed, making it important to
15 raise awareness about the symptoms and impact of TD because
16 even mild symptoms of TD can have physical, social, and
17 emotional consequences; and

18 WHEREAS, It is important for people taking DRBA medication
19 to be monitored for TD. Regular screening for TD in these patients
20 is recommended by the American Psychiatric Association; and

21 WHEREAS, Clinical research has led to the availability of two
22 treatments for adults with TD by the United States Food and Drug
23 Administration; and

1 WHEREAS, The Assembly can raise awareness of TD in the
 2 public and medical community; now, therefore, be it
 3 *Resolved by the Assembly of the State of California*, That the
 4 Assembly proclaims the week of May 7, 2023, as Tardive
 5 Dyskinesia Awareness Week, and encourages everyone in the
 6 United States to become better informed about, and aware of,
 7 Tardive Dyskinesia; and be it further
 8 *Resolved*, That the Chief Clerk of the Assembly transmit copies
 9 of this resolution to the author for appropriate distribution.

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CORRECTIONS:
Heading—Line 1.

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Date of Hearing: April 27, 2023

ASSEMBLY COMMITTEE ON RULES
James Ramos, Chair
HR 19 (Boerner) – As Introduced March 7, 2023

SUBJECT: Tardive Dyskinesia Awareness Week.

SUMMARY: Proclaims the week of May 7, 2023, as Tardive Dyskinesia Awareness Week, and encourages everyone in the United States to become better informed about, and aware of, Tardive Dyskinesia. Specifically, **this resolution** makes the following legislative findings:

- 1) Many people with serious mental health conditions, such as bipolar disorder, major depression, schizophrenia, and schizoaffective disorder, or gastrointestinal disorders, including gastroparesis, nausea, and vomiting, may be treated with medications that work as dopamine receptor blocking agents (DRBAs), including antipsychotics.
- 2) While ongoing treatment with these medications can be necessary, prolonged use can also lead to Tardive Dyskinesia (TD), an involuntary movement disorder that is characterized by uncontrollable, abnormal, and repetitive movements of the face, torso, or other body parts.
- 3) It is estimated that TD affects approximately 600,000 people in the United States and approximately 70 percent of people with TD remain undiagnosed, making it important to raise awareness about the symptoms and impact of TD because even mild symptoms of TD can have physical, social, and emotional consequences.
- 4) It is important for people taking DRBA medication to be monitored for TD. Regular screening for TD in these patients is recommended by the American Psychiatric Association.
- 5) Clinical research has led to the availability of two treatments for adults with TD by the United States Food and Drug Administration.
- 6) The Assembly can raise awareness of TD in the public and medical community.

FISCAL EFFECT: None

REGISTERED SUPPORT / OPPOSITION:

Support

None on file

Opposition

None on file

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

House Resolution

No. 31

Introduced by Assembly Member Jackson

April 24, 2023

House Resolution No. 31—Relative to California’s Children’s Mental Health Awareness Week and Month.

1 WHEREAS, Addressing the complex mental and emotional
2 health needs of children, youth, and families today is fundamental
3 to the future of California; and

4 WHEREAS, The need for comprehensive and coordinated
5 mental health services for children, youth, young adults, and
6 families creates a responsibility on our state as a whole; and

7 WHEREAS, It is appropriate that a week in May is set apart
8 each year to recognize Children’s Mental Health Awareness Week
9 in order to bring attention to the importance of children’s mental
10 health and well-being; and

11 WHEREAS, The Extraordinary Lives Foundation, through its
12 unique approach to awareness and early prevention, is effectively
13 caring for the mental health needs of children and their families
14 throughout California by providing an upstream approach to mental
15 and emotional wellness; now, therefore, be it

16 *Resolved by the Assembly of the State of California*, That the
17 Assembly hereby proclaims May 7, 2023, to May 13, 2023,
18 inclusive, as California’s Children’s Mental Health Awareness
19 Week, proclaims May 2023 as California’s Children’s Mental
20 Health Awareness Month, and urges our California residents and
21 all agencies and organizations in our state interested in meeting
22 every child’s mental health needs to unite during that month, and
23 especially during that week, in observance of exercises that will

1 acquaint the people of California with the fundamental necessity
2 of a year-round mental health program for children and their
3 families; 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: April 27, 2023

ASSEMBLY COMMITTEE ON RULES
James Ramos, Chair
HR 31 (Jackson) – As Introduced April 24, 2023

SUBJECT: California’s Children’s Mental Health Awareness Week and Month.

SUMMARY: Proclaims May 7, 2023, to May 13, 2023, inclusive, as California’s Children’s Mental Health Awareness Week, and proclaims May 2023 as California’s Children’s Mental Health Awareness Month. Specifically, **this resolution** makes the following legislative findings:

- 1) Addressing the complex mental and emotional health needs of children, youth, and families today is fundamental to the future of California.
- 2) The need for comprehensive and coordinated mental health services for children, youth, young adults, and families creates a responsibility on our state as a whole.
- 3) It is appropriate that a week in May is set apart each year to recognize Children’s Mental Health Awareness Week in order to bring attention to the importance of children’s mental health and well-being.
- 4) The Extraordinary Lives Foundation, through its unique approach to awareness and early prevention, is effectively caring for the mental health needs of children and their families throughout California by providing an upstream approach to mental and emotional wellness.
- 5) It is important for California residents and all agencies and organizations in our state interested in meeting every child’s mental health needs to unite during the month of May. And, especially during the week of May 7 to May 13, to observe exercises that will acquaint the people of California with the fundamental necessity of a year-round mental health program for children and their families.

FISCAL EFFECT: None

REGISTERED SUPPORT / OPPOSITION:

Support

None on file

Opposition

None on file

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

Introduced by Senator Portantino

(Coauthors: Senators Caballero, Limón, Nguyen, and Ochoa Bogh)

(Coauthors: Assembly Members Addis, Dixon, Mathis, and McCarty)

March 8, 2023

Senate Concurrent Resolution No. 36—Relative to Arts Education Month.

LEGISLATIVE COUNSEL’S DIGEST

SCR 36, as introduced, Portantino. Arts Education Month.

This measure would proclaim March 2023 as Arts Education Month and urge all residents to become interested in and give full support to quality arts education programs for children and youth.

Fiscal committee: no.

- 1 WHEREAS, The arts are a necessary and required component
2 of every California pupil’s education to develop well-rounded,
3 lifelong learners who contribute to the prosperity and quality of
4 life for local and global communities; and
5 WHEREAS, Arts education is crucial to achieving a state
6 educational policy devoted to the teaching of essential academic
7 skills and lifelong learning capacities to truly prepare all children
8 for success after high school regardless of gender, age, economic
9 status, physical ability, or learning ability; and
10 WHEREAS, Arts education, including dance, media arts, music,
11 theater, and visual arts, develops engaged, creative, expressive,
12 responsive, empathetic, and artistically literate citizens; and
13 WHEREAS, Arts education prepares pupils for the 21st century
14 workforce, furthers academic goals, complements learning in other
15 core subjects, improves pupil engagement and attendance,

1 strengthens parent and community engagement, and enhances a
2 positive school culture and climate; and

3 WHEREAS, Arts education uniquely communicates the ideas
4 and emotions of the human spirit and connects us to our history,
5 heritage, and culture, fostering cultural understanding, emotional
6 intelligence, social-emotional learning, critical thinking,
7 collaborative skills, and creativity; and

8 WHEREAS, “Creativity” is key to our future economies,
9 according to the World Economic Forum and the International
10 Monetary Fund. LinkedIn labeled it “the most important skill in
11 the world” and was the number-one skillset demanded two years
12 in a row by the 20,000,000 job ads on their internet website; and

13 WHEREAS, The arts are a recognized part of a quality
14 education, and the University of California and the California State
15 University have instituted a policy that includes arts education as
16 a college preparatory subject for all high school pupils wishing to
17 enter the state’s institutions of higher education; and

18 WHEREAS, Every pupil has a right to a well-rounded education
19 that includes the arts and the benefits it brings, as mandated in
20 Sections 51210 and 51220 of the Education Code, which state, in
21 part, that the adopted course of study shall include instruction in
22 and courses on arts, including instruction in dance, music, theater,
23 and visual arts, all aimed at the “development of aesthetic
24 appreciation and the skills of creative expression”; and

25 WHEREAS, The State of California, through the local control
26 funding formula, has provided flexibility for local educational
27 agencies to direct growing resources towards arts education; and

28 WHEREAS, The Legislature intends that this funding help
29 implement a comprehensive vision for arts education at the local
30 level to ensure that every pupil in the state benefits from this
31 investment; and

32 WHEREAS, This funding is the first step in investing in quality
33 arts education programs for all California pupils; and

34 WHEREAS, The State Board of Education adopted the
35 California Arts Standards for Public Schools, Prekindergarten
36 Through Grade Twelve in 2019 and the California Arts Education
37 Framework for Public Schools, Transitional Kindergarten Through
38 Grade Twelve in 2020, which provide a foundation for the
39 development of artistic competencies and the cultivation of a
40 lifelong appreciation and understanding of the arts. The California

1 Arts Standards reflect the fundamental belief that every child
2 should have equitable access to high-quality, standards-based arts
3 education to thrive and participate in modern society; and

4 WHEREAS, California voters overwhelmingly voted in favor
5 of Proposition 28 of the November 8, 2022, statewide general
6 election, mandating equitable access to arts education for all
7 California public school pupils; and

8 WHEREAS, Many national and state professional arts education
9 associations hold celebrations in March, giving California schools
10 a unique opportunity to focus on the value of the arts for all pupils,
11 foster cross-cultural understanding, provide recognition to the
12 state’s outstanding young artists, and enhance public support for
13 this essential part of the curriculum; now, therefore, be it

14 *Resolved by the Senate of the State of California, the Assembly*
15 *thereof concurring*, That the Legislature proclaims the month of
16 March 2023 as Arts Education Month and urges all residents to
17 become interested in and give full support to quality arts education
18 programs for children and youth; and be it further

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

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Date of Hearing: April 27, 2023

ASSEMBLY COMMITTEE ON RULES
James Ramos, Chair
SCR 36 (Portantino) – As Introduced March 8, 2023

SENATE VOTE: 36-0

SUBJECT: Arts Education Month.

SUMMARY: Proclaims March 2023 as Arts Education Month and urges all residents to become interested in and give full support to quality arts education programs for children and youth. Specifically, **this resolution** makes the following legislative findings:

- 1) The arts are a necessary and required component of every California pupil's education to develop well-rounded, lifelong learners who contribute to the prosperity and quality of life for local and global communities.
- 2) Arts education is crucial to achieving a state educational policy devoted to the teaching of essential academic skills and lifelong learning capacities to truly prepare all children for success after high school regardless of gender, age, economic status, physical ability, or learning ability.
- 3) The arts are a recognized part of a quality education, and the University of California and the California State University have instituted a policy that includes arts education as a college preparatory subject for all high school pupils wishing to enter the state's institutions of higher education. The State of California, through the local control funding formula, has provided flexibility for local educational agencies to direct growing resources towards arts education.
- 4) Many national and state professional arts education associations hold celebrations in March, giving California schools a unique opportunity to focus on the value of the arts for all pupils, foster cross-cultural understanding, provide recognition to the state's outstanding young artists, and enhance public support for this essential part of the curriculum.

FISCAL EFFECT: None

REGISTERED SUPPORT / OPPOSITION:

Support

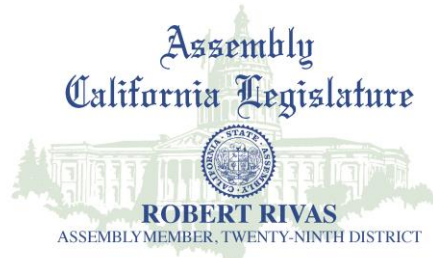
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Opposition

None on file

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April 24, 2023

The Honorable James Ramos
Chair, Assembly Rules Committee
1021 O Street, Suite 6250
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Re: Request to Add Urgency Clause to AB 585

Dear Chair Ramos:

I write to request authorization to add an urgency clause to AB 585.

California has set ambitious climate goals, but we are not building clean infrastructure fast enough to achieve them on schedule. AB 585 requires the state to regularly assess these needs across sectors and publish annual progress reports identifying where faster buildout of clean infrastructure – such as renewable energy and electric vehicle charging – is needed.

Addition of an urgency clause would ensure that the California Council on Science and Technology and the Office of Planning and Research (the two entities tasked with producing these reports under AB 585) can begin their work as quickly as possible, helping provide policymakers with better information on this important topic as early as next year and ensuring that no time is wasted as we race to meet our ambitious climate goals.

Should you have any questions or concerns, or wish to discuss this matter further, please do not hesitate to contact me directly. Staff can also reach my Legislative Director, Miles Horton, at miles.horton@asm.ca.gov or (916) 319-2029.

Thank you for your consideration.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to be "R. Rivas", is placed above the printed name.

ROBERT RIVAS
Assembly Speaker-Designate
District 29

AMENDED IN ASSEMBLY MARCH 23, 2023

CALIFORNIA LEGISLATURE—2023–24 REGULAR SESSION

ASSEMBLY BILL

No. 585

Introduced by Assembly Members Robert Rivas and Petrie-Norris

February 9, 2023

An act to ~~amend Section 38510 of~~ *add Section 38592.1* to the Health and Safety Code, relating to greenhouse gases.

LEGISLATIVE COUNSEL'S DIGEST

AB 585, as amended, Robert Rivas. California Global Warming Solutions Act of 2006: ~~state board~~. *literature review and progress report.*

The California Global Warming Solutions Act of 2006 designates the State Air Resources Board as the state agency responsible for monitoring and regulating sources emitting greenhouse gases. Existing law vests the Public Utilities Commission (PUC) with regulatory jurisdiction over public utilities, including electrical corporations, as provided. Existing law requires the PUC and the State Energy Resources Conservation and Development Commission (Energy Commission) to undertake specified actions to advance the state's clean energy and pollution reduction objectives. Existing law also establishes an Independent System Operator (ISO) as a nonprofit public benefit corporation and requires the ISO to ensure efficient use and reliable operation of the electrical transmission grid, as specified.

Existing law requires various state entities responsible for the state's energy, climate change, and air quality goals to produce various reports relating to those duties.

Existing law finds and declares that the California Council on Science and Technology (CCST) was organized as a nonprofit corporation at

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the request of the Legislature for the specific purpose of offering expert advice to the state government on public policy issues significantly related to science and technology.

This bill would request the CCST, in its discretion, every 2 years, to perform a literature review, including source materials, to assess the infrastructure project types, scale, and pace necessary to achieve the quantities of renewable energy, and the distribution and transmission networks necessary, to achieve the state’s energy, climate change, and air quality goals, as specified. The bill would also require, on an annual basis, the State Clearinghouse at the Office of Planning and Research to provide to the Joint Legislative Committee on Climate Change, with the assistance of the Energy Commission, the PUC, the state board, and the ISO, a progress report regarding the number of permit applications, the number of permitted projects approved, and the number of projects commissioned, for each of the infrastructure categories identified in the CCST report, as provided. The bill would provide that the funding required for these purposes would be provided upon appropriation by the Legislature, as specified.

~~The California Global Warming Solutions Act of 2006 designates the State Air Resources Board as the state agency responsible for monitoring and regulating sources of emissions of greenhouse gases that cause global warming in order to reduce emissions of greenhouse gases:~~

~~This bill would make a nonsubstantive change to this provision.~~

Vote: majority. Appropriation: no. Fiscal committee: ~~no~~ yes.
State-mandated local program: no.

The people of the State of California do enact as follows:

- 1 SECTION 1. Section 38592.1 is added to the Health and Safety
- 2 Code, to read:
- 3 38592.1. (a) (1) Every two years, the California Council on
- 4 Science and Technology (CCST) is requested, at its discretion, to
- 5 perform a literature review, including source materials, to assess
- 6 the infrastructure project types, scale, and pace necessary to
- 7 achieve the quantities of renewable energy, and the distribution
- 8 and transmission networks necessary, to achieve the state’s energy,
- 9 climate change, and air quality goals, including, but not limited
- 10 to, the most current versions of all of the following reports:

1 (A) *The integrated energy policy report prepared pursuant to*
2 *Section 25302 of the Public Resources Code.*

3 (B) *The integrated resource plans filed pursuant to Section*
4 *454.52 of the Public Utilities Code.*

5 (C) *The joint reliability progress report pursuant to Section*
6 *454.53 of the Public Utilities Code.*

7 (D) *The report produced by the Independent System Operator*
8 *pursuant to Assembly Concurrent Resolution No. 188 of the*
9 *2021–22 Regular Session.*

10 (E) *The reports prepared by the state board pursuant to*
11 *paragraph (2) of subdivision (d) of, and paragraph (6) of*
12 *subdivision (e) of, Section 43018.9, and paragraph (1) of*
13 *subdivision (d) of Section 44274.*

14 (F) *The scoping plan prepared pursuant to Section 38561.*

15 (2) *The list of infrastructure projects for purposes of paragraph*
16 *(1) shall include, but not be limited to, all of the following:*
17 *renewable and carbon-free energy capacity, substations,*
18 *transformers, miles of upgraded or hardened distribution and*
19 *transmission lines, charging stations, renewable hydrogen*
20 *production and distribution, hydrogen refueling stations, renewable*
21 *natural gas projects, methane mitigation projects, refinery*
22 *conversions, the Carbon Capture, Removal, Utilization, and*
23 *Storage Program established pursuant to Section 39741.1, the*
24 *short-lived climate pollutant mitigation strategy, acres of natural*
25 *and work lands, and any other project types mentioned in the*
26 *planning documents that may be assessed to determine annual*
27 *construction needs to achieve the interim and long-term energy,*
28 *climate change, and air quality goals.*

29 (b) (1) *On an annual basis, the State Clearinghouse at the*
30 *Office of Planning and Research shall provide to the Joint*
31 *Legislative Committee on Climate Change, with the assistance of*
32 *the State Energy Resources Conservation and Development*
33 *Commission, the Public Utilities Commission, the state board, and*
34 *the Independent System Operator, a progress report regarding all*
35 *of the following:*

36 (A) *The number of permit applications in each of the*
37 *infrastructure categories identified in the CCST report.*

38 (B) *The number of permitted projects approved in each of the*
39 *infrastructure categories identified in the CCST report.*

1 (C) The number of projects commissioned in each of the
2 infrastructure categories identified in the CCST report.

3 (2) The report described in paragraph (1) shall analyze within
4 the context of the state goals to reduce greenhouse gas emissions
5 the annual progress being made toward the infrastructure that
6 will result in emission reductions, including findings about whether
7 the scale and pace of construction in the previous calendar year
8 align with the infrastructure commissioned.

9 (3) If the report described in paragraph (1) indicates that the
10 scale and pace of construction in the previous calendar year did
11 not align with the infrastructure commissioned, the report shall
12 indicate whether that failure was due to insufficient permit
13 applications, insufficient permit approvals, delayed construction
14 approvals, or delayed commissioning approvals.

15 (c) The funding required for the purposes of this section shall
16 be provided upon appropriation by the Legislature pursuant to
17 Section 38597, to the extent permitted by law.

18 ~~SECTION 1. Section 38510 of the Health and Safety Code is~~
19 ~~amended to read:~~

20 ~~38510. The State Air Resources Board is the state agency~~
21 ~~tasked with monitoring and regulating sources of emissions of~~
22 ~~greenhouse gases that cause global warming in order to reduce~~
23 ~~emissions of greenhouse gases.~~

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**ADMINISTRATIVE ITEM:
COST OF LIVING ADJUSTMENT**

ISSUE:

Should a 6% cost-of-living adjustment (COLA) be provided to Assembly salaried employees effective May 1, 2023?

BACKGROUND:

Recognizing rising costs and the challenges in the current job market, this COLA will help the Assembly remain competitive in the recruitment and retention of Assembly employees.

RECOMMENDATION:

Approve