Assembly California Legislature **Committee on Rules**

KEN COOLEY CHAIR

Thursday, August 26, 2021 8:45 a.m. State Capitol, Room 437

CONSENT AGENDA

BILL REFERRALS

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Memo

To:	Rules Committee Members
From:	Michael Erke, Bill Referral Consultant
Date:	8/25/2021
Re:	Consent Bill Referrals

Attached is a list of bill referral recommendations.

REFERRAL OF BILLS TO COMMITTEE08/26/2021Pursuant to the Assembly Rules, the following bills were referred to committee:Assembly Bill No.Committee:ACR 106RLS.HR 69RLS.

CALIFORNIA LEGISLATURE—2021–22 REGULAR SESSION

House Resolution

No. 63

Introduced by Assembly Member Seyarto

August 16, 2021

House Resolution No. 63—Relative to Service Dog Appreciation Month.

1 WHEREAS, Service dogs are extraordinary animals that enable

2 their human companions to live their fullest lives; and

3 WHEREAS, California benefits from the assistance of K-9 4 officers, search and rescue dogs, and many other service dogs that

5 serve their communities; and

6 WHEREAS, Service dogs are trained to perform specific tasks

for people in their careers and everyday lives. They can be trainedto retrieve objects, assist with balance, give seizure or diabetic

9 alerts, or assist those with psychiatric disabilities; and

WHEREAS, Service dogs also serve our nation's wounded
warriors suffering from conditions including post-traumatic stress
disorder and traumatic brain injury; and

13 WHEREAS, Studies have shown that these incredible animals

14 offer great benefits to their owners, including reduced anxiety,

15 lower blood pressure, and faster recovery from medical events;16 and

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

20 *Resolved by the Assembly of the State of California,* That the

21 Assembly hereby proclaims the month of September 2021 as

22 Service Dog Appreciation Month; and be it further

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Resolved, That Californians are grateful for the service and dedication these loyal companions provide for their owners and communities; and be it further 1

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

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HR 63 Page 1

Date of Hearing: August 26, 2021

ASSEMBLY COMMITTEE ON RULES Ken Cooley, Chair HR 63 (Seyarto) – As Introduced August 16, 2021

SUBJECT: Service Dog Appreciation Month.

SUMMARY: Proclaims the month of September 2021 as Service Dog Appreciation Month. Specifically, **this resolution** makes the following legislative findings:

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

FISCAL EFFECT: None

REGISTERED SUPPORT / OPPOSITION:

Support None on file

Opposition

None on file

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

CALIFORNIA LEGISLATURE-2021-22 REGULAR SESSION

House Resolution

No. 67

Introduced by Assembly Member Kalra (Coauthors: Assembly Members Bauer-Kahan, Boerner Horvath, Chau, Chiu, Choi, Friedman, Muratsuchi, and Quirk)

August 16, 2021

House Resolution No. 67—Relative to Diwali.

- 1 WHEREAS, Diwali, a festival of great significance to Indian Americans and South Asian Americans, is celebrated annually by 2 3 Hindus, Sikhs, Buddhists, and Jains throughout the United States, and across the globe; and 4 5 WHEREAS, There are approximately 3,230,000 Hindus in the 6 United States, nearly 2,000,000 of which are of Indian and South 7 Asian origin; and 8 WHEREAS, The word "Diwali" is a shortened version of the Sanskrit term "Deepavali," which means "a row of lamps"; and 9 WHEREAS, Diwali, one of the world's oldest religious holidays, 10 brings together families, friends, and communities here in 11 California, the United States, and around the globe in goodwill, 12 13 peace, and a shared sense of renewal; and WHEREAS, Diwali is a festival of lights during which 14 celebrants light small oil lamps, place them around the home, and 15 pray for health, knowledge, and peace; and 16 WHEREAS, Hindu celebrants of Diwali believe that the rows 17 of lamps symbolize the light of knowledge and truth within the 18 19 individual that signifies the destruction of all negative 20 qualities-violence, anger, jealousy, ignorance, greed, fear, or suffering; in other words, Diwali celebrates the victory of good 21
- 22 over evil; and

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1 WHEREAS, Diwali falls on Thursday, November 4, this year

2 in accordance with the lunar calendar and is celebrated by Hindus

3 as a day of thanksgiving for the homecoming of Lord Rama and

4 the beginning of the new year for many Hindus; and

5 WHEREAS, For Sikhs, Diwali is feted as the day that the sixth 6 founding Sikh Guru, or revered teacher, Guru Hargobind, was 7 released from captivity by the Mughal Emperor Jahangir; and

8 WHEREAS, For Jains, Diwali marks the anniversary of the

9 attainment of moksha, or liberation, by Mahavira, the last of the
10 Tirthankaras (the great teachers of Jain dharma), at the end of his
11 life in 527 B.C.; and

12 WHEREAS, For Buddhists, especially Newar Buddhists, Diwali 13 is commemorated as Ashok Vijayadashami, the day the great

14 Emperor Ashoka embraced Buddhism as his faith; now, therefore,15 be it

16 *Resolved by the Assembly of the State of California*, That the 17 Assembly recognizes this year's Diwali festival on Thursday,

18 November 4, 2021, and encourages Californians to take part in

19 this joyous day of celebration; and be it further

20 *Resolved*, That the Assembly recognizes the religious and

21 historical significance of the festival of Diwali and in observance

22 of Diwali, the festival of lights, expresses its deepest respect for

23 Indian Americans and the Indian diaspora throughout the world

24 on this significant occasion; and be it further

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

26 of this resolution to the author for appropriate distribution.

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HR 67 Page 1

Date of Hearing: August 26, 2021

ASSEMBLY COMMITTEE ON RULES Ken Cooley, Chair HR 67 (Kalra) – As Introduced August 16, 2021

SUBJECT: Diwali.

SUMMARY: Recognizes this year's Diwali festival on Thursday, November 4, 2021, encourages Californians to take part in this joyous day of celebration, and recognizes the religious and historical significance of the festival of Diwali. Specifically, **this resolution** makes the following legislative findings:

- 1) Diwali falls on Thursday, November 4, this year in accordance with the lunar calendar and is celebrated by Hindus as a day of thanksgiving for the homecoming of Lord Rama and the beginning of the new year for many Hindus.
- 2) Diwali, a festival of great significance to Indian Americans and South Asian Americans, is celebrated annually by Hindus, Sikhs, Buddhists, and Jains throughout the United States, and across the globe. The word "Diwali" is a shortened version of the Sanskrit term "Deepavali," which means "a row of lamps".
- 3) There are approximately 3,230,000 Hindus in the United States, nearly 2,000,000 of which are of Indian and South Asian origin.
- 4) Diwali, one of the world's oldest religious holidays, brings together families, friends, and communities here in California, the United States, and around the globe in goodwill, peace, and a shared sense of renewal.
- 5) Diwali is a festival of lights during which celebrants light small oil lamps, place them around the home, and pray for health, knowledge, and peace.
- 6) Hindu celebrants of Diwali believe that the rows of lamps symbolize the light of knowledge and truth within the individual that signifies the destruction of all negative qualities—violence, anger, jealousy, ignorance, greed, fear, or suffering; in other words, Diwali celebrates the victory of good over evil.

FISCAL EFFECT: None

REGISTERED SUPPORT / OPPOSITION:

Support

None on file

Opposition

None on file

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

CALIFORNIA LEGISLATURE-2021-22 REGULAR SESSION

House Resolution

No. 68

Introduced by Assembly Member Reyes

August 17, 2021

House Resolution No. 68—Relative to Children's Environmental Health Month 2021.

1 WHEREAS, Our children are California's future and are 2 especially vulnerable to environmental health issues because they are physiologically very different from adults and are in a dynamic 3 4 state of growth. From birth through young adulthood, children 5 experience rapid physiological growth, and their systems absorb more toxins in proportion to their body weight than do adults' 6 7 systems. Children also have higher metabolic rates than do adults, and relative to body size, children eat and drink more food and 8 9 liquid than their full-grown counterparts. Children also have unique 10 behavior and activity patterns. They live and play much closer to the ground than do adults, and are therefore exposed differently 11 to toxins; and 12 13 WHEREAS, All children are affected by environmental hazards because different kinds of pollution can be found throughout our 14 state. Contaminants are transported through many media, including 15 air, water, soil, and food and are absorbed by children when they 16 breathe, drink, eat, and touch the contaminated media. Children's 17 18 exposure to these toxins can harm their health; and 19 WHEREAS, Recent scientific research by the University of

20 California, Los Angeles, documents that certain pesticides are 21 linked to increased rates of childhood cancers and brain tumors in 22

the children of women who lived, during pregnancy, within two

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1 and one-half miles of fields treated with any amount of those 2 pesticides; and

3 WHEREAS, Studies performed by the California Air Resources

4 Board found that children exposed to air pollution suffered 5 decreased lung function and development and were more prone 6 to developing asthma and bronchitis, illnesses that can stay with

7 children their entire lives and even shorten their lifespans; and

8 WHEREAS, Another example of an environmental hazard that 9 harms children is lead exposure. The federal Centers for Disease 10 Control and Prevention states that there is no safe level of lead in 11 children, and the State Department of Public Health reports that 12 lead exposure can cause learning, behavioral, and attention 13 difficulties in children, and nervous system and organ damage. 14 Exposure to high levels of lead can be fatal; and

15 WHEREAS, It is an established fact that children from 16 low-income communities and communities of color are at 17 disproportionate risk for exposure to environmental hazards; and

18 WHEREAS, Nationally, the United States has experienced 19 worrisome increases in certain childhood diseases, disorders, and

20 health problems, including asthma, cancer, autism, and obesity.

Researchers are documenting to what degree these increases arelinked to environmental exposures; and

WHEREAS, The aim of Children's Environmental Health Month is to raise awareness about the importance of ensuring clean air and water, safe food and consumer products, and healthy environments during a child's development and beyond; and

WHEREAS, Children's Environmental Health Day was created
by the Children's Environmental Health Network and celebrated
nationally since October 13, 2016; and

30 WHEREAS, Children's Environmental Health Month is a

national and statewide effort supported by individuals, nonprofit
 organizations, and government agencies, and was first recognized

33 by the California Legislature in 2019; and

WHEREAS, Children's Environmental Health Month
encourages individuals and organizations to raise awareness and
understanding of children's environmental health issues, seek

37 improved protections for children, and perform acts of

38 sustainability or environmental health wellness; and

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1 WHEREAS, Together, we can safeguard the health, safety, and

2 well-being of our children, who are our most precious resource;3 now, therefore, be it

4 Resolved by the Assembly of the State of California, That the

5 Assembly proclaims October 2021 as Children's Environmental

6 Health Month, and affirms that all children have a right to clean

7 air and water, safer food and products, and healthy environments;

8 and be it further

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

10 of this resolution to the author for appropriate distribution.

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HR 68 Page 1

Date of Hearing: August 26, 2021

ASSEMBLY COMMITTEE ON RULES Ken Cooley, Chair HR 68 (Reyes) – As Introduced August 17, 2021

SUBJECT: Children's Environmental Health Month 2021.

SUMMARY: Proclaims October 2021 as Children's Environmental Health Month and affirms that all children have a right to clean air and water, safer food and products, and healthy environments. Specifically, **this resolution** makes the following legislative findings:

- 1) Our children are California's future and are especially vulnerable to environmental health issues because they are physiologically very different from adults and are in a dynamic state of growth.
- 2) From birth through young adulthood, children experience rapid physiological growth, and their systems absorb more toxins in proportion to their body weight than do adults' systems.
- 3) All children are affected by environmental hazards because different kinds of pollution can be found throughout our state. Contaminants are transported through many media, including air, water, soil, and food and are absorbed by children when they breathe, drink, eat, and touch the contaminated media. Children's exposure to these toxins can harm their health.
- 4) Studies performed by the California Air Resources Board found that children exposed to air pollution suffered decreased lung function and development and were more prone to developing asthma and bronchitis, illnesses that can stay with children their entire lives and even shorten their lifespans.
- 5) Another example of an environmental hazard that harms children is lead exposure. The federal Centers for Disease Control and Prevention states that there is no safe level of lead in children, and the State Department of Public Health reports that lead exposure can cause learning, behavioral, and attention difficulties in children; and, can cause nervous system and organ damage. Exposure to high levels of lead can be fatal.
- 6) It is an established fact that children from low-income communities and communities of color are at disproportionate risk for exposure to environmental hazards.
- 7) The aim of Children's Environmental Health Month is to raise awareness about the importance of ensuring clean air and water, safe food and consumer products, and healthy environments during a child's development and beyond.
- 8) Children's Environmental Health Month is a national and statewide effort supported by individuals, nonprofit organizations, and government agencies, and was first recognized by the California Legislature in 2019.
- 9) Children's Environmental Health Month encourages individuals and organizations to raise awareness and understanding of children's environmental health issues, seek improved protections for children, and perform acts of sustainability or environmental health wellness.

HR 68 Page 2

REGISTERED SUPPORT / OPPOSITION:

Support

Environmental Working Group (Sponsor) Active San Gabriel Valley Alliance of Nurses for Health Environments **Breast Cancer Prevention Partners** California Brain Tumor Association California Conference of Directors of Environmental Health California Public Interest Research Group (CalPIRG) Californians for Pesticide Reform Center for Environmental Health (CEH) **Ceres Community Project** Children Now **Clean Water Action** Coalition of California Welfare Rights Organizations **Daily Acts** Development of Court Skills Elite **Environment California** Families Advocating for Chemical and Toxics Safety (FACTS) Friends Committee on Legislation of California **GMO** Science Heal the Bay Natural Resources Defense Council Northern California Recycling Association Pesticide Action Network North America Plastic Oceans International **Plastic Pollution Coalition** Regional Asthma Management and Prevention (RAMP) Santa Clara County Medical Association Save Our Shores Seventh Generation Advisors The 5 Gyres Institute The Center for Oceanic Awareness, Research, & Education University of Irvine Population Health and Disease Prevention Upstream Western Center on Law and Poverty Wishtoyo Chumash Foundation Youth Vs Apocalypse Zero Waste USA

Opposition

None on file

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



August 25, 2021

Honorable Ken Cooley, Chair Assembly Rules Committee State Capitol Sacramento, CA 95814

Chair Cooley:

This letter is to confirm that the Environmental Working Group is the sponsor of HR 68, a measure that declares October of 2021 as Children's Environmental Health Month in California. The measure also affirms that all children have a right to clean air and water, safer food and products, and healthy environments.

As you know, <u>more</u> and <u>more</u> studies link environmental contaminants with serious health problems, confirming that toxic chemicals in the air, water and food are harming children's health. Passage of HR 68 will help to shine a light on the importance of improving children's environmental health.

We would appreciate your support for this resolution, and thank you in advance for your committee's favorable consideration of it.

Sincerely,

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Susan Little Senior Advocate, California Government Affairs Environmental Working Group



August 25, 2021

Honorable Ken Cooley, Chair Assembly Rules Committee State Capitol Sacramento, CA 95814

Chair Cooley:

The undersigned urge you to support passage of House Resolution 68, a measure that declares October of 2021 as Children's Environmental Health Month in California. The measure also affirms that all children have a right to clean air and water, safer food and products, and healthy environments.

<u>More</u> and <u>more</u> studies link environmental contaminants with serious health problems, confirming that toxic chemicals in the air, water and food are harming children's health. A recent <u>study by the University of California at Los Angeles</u> found that certain pesticides are linked to increased rates of childhood cancers and brain tumors; <u>studies performed by the</u> <u>California Air Resources Board</u> demonstrate that children exposed to air pollution suffer decreased lung function and more asthma; the <u>Centers for Disease Control states that no level of</u> <u>lead exposure is safe for children</u> because lead exposure affects nearly every system in a child's body and, at even low levels, can cause learning and attention difficulties; and the list goes on.

Children are especially vulnerable to environmental pollution, even more so than adults.

According to the US EPA, children are often more likely to be at risk from environmental hazards than adults because of their unique activity patterns and behavior, physiological differences, and windows of susceptibility during early lifestages, including fetal development and puberty. Children crawl and play close to the ground, making them more likely to come into contact with dirt and dust, which can include toxicants, and children often put their hands, toys, and other items into their mouths. In addition, children eat, breathe, and drink more relative to their body mass than adults do, allowing them to absorb more contaminants. And their natural defenses, including their blood brain barrier and digestive system, are less developed. Furthermore, since children's systems are developing so quickly, a child's exposure to a chemical can cause birth defects, or affect the child's nervous system and organ development.

Although all children are vulnerable to pollution, <u>kids living in poverty and in disadvantaged</u> <u>communities are at disproportionate risk for exposure to environmental hazards</u>. Children from low-income and minority families are more likely to be at risk of exposure because they spend more time playing on contaminated soil than children from higher-income families, and spend more time in houses that have lead paint or high dust levels. These children may also be exposed to higher levels of contaminants in utero and in breast milk because their mothers are also disproportionately exposed, and these kids often have inadequate diets that may increase the absorption of toxic chemicals from their digestive system.

In order to shine a light on the importance of children's environmental health, California established October 2019 as its first Children's Environmental Health Month. Designation of this month was done in order to raise awareness about the importance of ensuring clean air and water, safe food and consumer products, and healthy environments during a child's development and beyond.

We would like to continue to highlight the need to ensure a healthy environment for children once again. Please support HR 68 and designate October 2021 as Environmental Health Month in California.

Sincerely,

Susan Little Senior Advocate Environmental Working Group (Sponsor)

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Alliance of Nurses for Healthy Environments

Bringing Science and Passion to the Environmental Health Movement

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Assemblymember Ken Cooley Chair Assembly Rules Committee Capitol, Room 3016 Sacramento, California 95814

HR 68 Reyes SUPPORT

Dear Assemblymember Cooley,

Thank you for your service to the leadership of the California Assembly and to our state. The California Leadership Council of the Alliance of Nurses for Healthy Environments focuses on preventing acute and chronic illness (and death) caused by environmental pollution.

Children are our most precious resource and our most vulnerable population. The dramatic increase of children with chronic lifelong illnesses: asthma, diabetes, neurological disorders and cancer can often be directly linked to environmental exposures to toxic chemicals and pollution, and we are committed to raising awareness about keeping our children safe.

Air pollution from traffic, pesticides and chemicals all contribute to increased pediatric asthma and a life of medication and limited activity.

The rate of children under 20 being diagnosed with cancer increased by 34% from 1975 through 2017. In 2018 the National Cancer Institute increased that number to 41%. Staggering research regarding childhood cancer and proximity to pesticide spraying was published by UCLA earlier in 2021.

High lead levels continue to be found in children in California despite the fact that lead paint was banned decades ago. We need to keep the water our children drink free from lead and other dangerous chemicals.

The number of chemicals in our everyday environment is over 85,000 and it increases every day. Only 98% of them are ever tested for safety. Many are known carcinogens and/or endocrine disrupting chemicals.

Low income and children of color are at greater risk for exposure to environmental toxins. According to the U.S Office of Minority Health: Higher body burdens of toxics increase the risk of developing certain diseases or disabilities, and children of color and from low-income families experience a disproportionate adverse health outcomes.

(https://minorityhealth.hhs.gov/omh/browse.aspx?lvl=4&lvlid=15)

The adverse effects of climate change have harmful impacts on children from extreme heat and wildfires, clean water shortages, and increased air or drinking water pollution to highlight only a few.

We must raise awareness about how the environment impacts children's health and what can be done, individually, in communities and in local, state, and federal policy.



We urge you to help raise awareness and pass HR 68 (Reyes), Children's Environmental Health Month. We invite you to be involved in local activities in your district. We urge your support in the Assembly Rules Committee.

Sincerely,

Catherine Dodd PhD, RN Policy Advisor, CA ANHE 415-637-3753



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August 25, 2021

The Honorable Ken Cooley, Chair Assembly Rules Committee State Capitol, Room 3016 Sacramento, CA 95814

RE: SUPPORT–HR 68 (Reyes): Children's Environmental Health Month 2021

Chair Cooley:

On behalf of Children Now, we are writing in support of House Resolution 68, a measure that declares October of 2021 as Children's Environmental Health Month in California. The measure also affirms that all children have a right to clean air and water, safer food and products, and healthy environments.

Children Now is a non-partisan, whole-child research, policy development and advocacy organization dedicated to promoting children's health, education, and well-being in California. The organization also leads The Children's Movement of California, a network of more than 4,100 direct service, parent, youth, civil rights, faith-based and community groups dedicated to improving children's well-being.

More and more studies link environmental contaminants with serious health problems, confirming that toxic chemicals in the air, water and food are harming children's health. A recent study by the University of California at Los Angeles found that certain pesticides are linked to increased rates of childhood cancers and brain tumors; studies performed by the California Air Resources Board demonstrate that children exposed to air pollution suffer decreased lung function and more asthma; the Centers for Disease Control states that no level of lead exposure is safe for children because lead exposure affects nearly every system in a child's body and, at even low levels, can cause learning and attention difficulties; and the list goes on.

<u>Children are especially vulnerable to environmental pollution, even more so than adults</u>. <u>According to the US EPA</u>, children are often more likely to be at risk from environmental hazards than adults because of their unique activity patterns and behavior, physiological differences, and windows of susceptibility during early life stages, including fetal development and puberty. Children crawl and play close to the ground, making them more likely to come into contact with dirt and dust, which can include toxicants, and children often put their hands, toys, and other items into their mouths. In addition, children eat, breathe, and drink more relative to their body mass than adults do, allowing them to absorb more contaminants. And their natural defenses, including their blood brain barrier and digestive system, are less developed. Furthermore, since children's systems are developing so quickly, a child's exposure to a chemical can cause birth defects or affect the child's nervous system and organ development.

Although all children are vulnerable to pollution, <u>kids living in poverty and in</u> <u>disadvantaged communities are at disproportionate risk for exposure to environmental</u> <u>hazards.</u> Children from low-income and minority families are more likely to be at risk of exposure because they spend more time playing on contaminated soil than children from higher-income families, and spend more time in houses that have lead paint or high dust levels. These children may also be exposed to higher levels of contaminants in utero and in breast milk because their mothers are also disproportionately exposed, and these kids often have inadequate diets that may increase the absorption of toxic chemicals from their digestive system.

In order to shine a light on the importance of children's environmental health, California established October 2019 as its first Children's Environmental Health Month. Designation of this month was done in order to raise awareness about the importance of ensuring clean air and water, safe food and consumer products, and healthy environments during a child's development and beyond.

We would like to continue to highlight the need to ensure a healthy environment for children once again. Please support HR 68 and designate October 2021 as Children's Environmental Health Month in California.

Sincerely,

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Mike Odeh Director of Health Policy Children Now

cc: Assemblymember Reyes



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August 24, 2021

Assembly Member Ken Cooley Chair Assembly Rules Committee Capitol, Room 3016 Sacramento, California 95814

RE: Support for HR 68 (Reyes) - Children's Environmental Health Month 2021

Dear Chair Cooley,

We are writing to express our support for HR 68 by Assembly Member Reyes. This bill would bring critically needed awareness to children's environmental health issues, which will encourage individuals and organizations to take action on behalf of children statewide.

We strongly believe that all children have a right to clean air, clean water, safe products, and healthy environments, and we applaud this bill as a step in that direction. As the effects of climate change continue to worsen, children bear disproportionate impacts. Moreover, children from underserved communities and communities of color are more susceptible to risk of suffering during extreme weather events, increased air and water pollution, and other effects associated with climate change.

Children in agricultural communities, like Sonoma County, have higher rates of exposure to pesticides. Staggering research regarding childhood cancer and proximity to pesticide spraying was published earlier this year in *Environmental Research* by a team of UCLA-led researchers. The study found that exposure to a wide variety of pesticides during pregnancy may lead to the development of central nervous system tumors during childhood. Nationally, the rate of children under 20 being diagnosed with cancer increased by 34% from 1975 through 2017; in 2018, the National Cancer Institute increased that number to 41%.

For these reasons, to name only a few, we support HR 68.

Sincerely,

Connor DeVane Programs Coordinator Aug 24, 2021

Assemblymember Ken Cooley Chair Assembly Rules Committee Capitol, Room 3016 Sacramento, California 95814

Re: HR 68 (Reyes) - Children's Environmental Health Month in California - Support

Dear Chair Cooley:

I am writing on behalf of the non-profit, FACTS: Families Advocating for Chemical & Toxics Safety, a project of the Center for Environmental Health. FACTS is an educational and advocacy non-profit organization that serves as a clearinghouse for evidence-based information and expert resources in children's environmental health. We promote easy, affordable, and sustainable actions to remediate the unnecessary and harmful exposure to chemicals and toxics in our everyday lives.

FACTS supports HR 68 (Reyes), which declares October Children's Environmental Health Month in California. In considering how to optimally act to protect humankind's and our planet's future, we must think in terms of our most vulnerable, the children.

Children, because they are small and their cell replicating fast, are extra susceptible to the genetic damage effects of environmental toxins. Higher body burdens of toxics increase the risk of developing certain diseases or disabilities. The number of chemicals in our everyday environment is over 85,000 and it increases every day. Only 98% of them are ever tested for safety. Many are known carcinogens and/or endocrine disrupting chemicals.

Children living in low-income and rural areas have greater exposure to environmental toxins so we are also focusing on equity. Environmental health for all children means clean air, clean water, healthy food and products free from harmful chemicals. Children of color and from low-income families experience a disproportionate rate of adverse health outcomes. This is according to the U.S Office of Minority Health:

https://minorityhealth.hhs.gov/omh/browse.aspx?lvl=4&lvlid=15

In California, high lead levels continue to be found in children despite the fact that lead paint and leaded gasoline was banned. This year hopefully legislation will think in terms of protecting children and pass a ban on using lead fittings between water pipes in our state.

Pediatric asthma continues to rise as air quality degrades. Air pollution from traffic, pesticides and chemicals all contribute. The California Air Resources Board funded the Fresno Asthmatic Children's Environment Study (F.A.C.E.S.) The results from this study suggest an association between exposure to NO2 and both short and long-term reductions in lung function. Exposure to traffic derived air pollution was also associated with reduced lung function. Lung function tended

to be better in children that lived further from busy roads, indicating that exposure to traffic-related air pollution could negatively impact lung function.

The rate of children under 20 being diagnosed with cancer increased by 34% from 1975 through 2017. In 2018 the National Cancer Institute increased that number to 41%. Research regarding childhood cancer and proximity to pesticide spraying was published by UCLA in 2021.

For the many reasons described above, FACTS strongly supports HR 68 (Reyes) and urges your support to protect the children, and our future.

Sincerely,

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Lendri Purcell Vice-President, Jonas Philanthropies Co-Founder and President, Families Advocating for Chemical & Toxics Safety (FACTS)



Date: August 24, 2021

To: California State Rules Committee

From: Santa Clara County Medical Association

Re: Support of Resolution- California HR -68 (2021-2022) HR 68 Relative to Children's Environmental Health Month

Dear California Assembly Rules Committee Members:

The Santa Clara County Medical Association is in full support of HR 68 (Reyes 2021-2022) Relative to Children's Environmental Health. This is an important issue that needs to be addressed. The SCCMA has long been concerned about this issue and supported policies through the California Medical Association that will protect children's health as well as prevent childhood illness.

Included are references from a recent SCCMA Environmental Health Series on Children's Environmental Health featuring Dr. Philip Landrigan, a pediatrician and one of the world's leading authorities on public health, particularly children's health. He is Director of the Global Public Health and the Common Good Program at Boston College and Director of the Global Observatory on Pollution and Health at Boston College, and former Chair of the Department of Preventive Medicine at Mount Sinai School of Medicine. Dr. Landrigan spoke at the SCCMA Environmental Health Series on May 20, 2021 on "Children's Environmental Health". The recording of this Session 3 with Q and A can be found at SCCMA and https://vimeo.com/553490343.

Sincerely,

Cindy Russell

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20 August 2021

CALIFORNIA LEGISLATURE— 2021–2022 REGULAR SESSION Members of the Assembly Rules Committee

Proclamation of October 2021 as Children's Environmental Health Month

I am writing to offer strong support and encouragement of members of the California Assembly Rules Committee to approve HR 68 as introduced by Assembly member Reyes to establish October 2021 as Children's Environmental Health Month in California.

In my role as advisor to Non-Toxic Neighborhoods, and Professor of Population Health and Disease Prevention at the University of California, Irvine, I have conducted research, taught, and published extensively on the impacts of toxic chemicals on human health and the environment, with particular interests in protecting vulnerable sub-populations such as children. I serve currently as Codirector of the World Institute for Sustainable Development of Materials (WISDOM) with the goal of freeing consumer products from the burden of toxic materials. I have served on California's Green Ribbon Science Panel with the outcome being the State's landmark Safer Consumer Products Law; and on the Department of Toxic Substances Control's Community Protection and Hazardous Waste Reduction Committee with the outcome to develop strategies that protect children from industrial sources of pollution, such as the extensive lead contaminated soil due to Exide corporations facility in the Vernon district of Los Angeles. I currently serve on the Green Ribbon Environmental Committee for the City of Irvine.

Adoption of HR 68 will further secure California's position as the leader in protecting children's health through preventive strategies. Childhood exposure to many toxic chemicals including mercury, lead, and brominated flame retardants often have adverse developmental effects that are difficult or impossible to reverse.

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Implementation of HR 68 will perpetually raise public awareness and keep the focus of communities on preventive strategies including technological solutions, policy interventions, and advocacy coalition.

Implementation of HR 68 is consistent with the Children's Environmental Bill of Rights, a model local ordinance sponsored by Non-Toxic Neighborhoods and the Center for Democratic and Environmental Rights (CDER). If adopted by cities and counties, the ordinance recognizes the right of children to clean air and water, to be free from synthetic pesticides and toxic chemicals, and to be healthy.

California's children are California's future. Children's health deserves public recognition and political action to prevent their endangerment by toxic pollutants of industrial origin, and to guarantee their rights to clean air, clean water, and clean soils.

Thank you.

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CALIFORNIA LEGISLATURE—2021–22 REGULAR SESSION

House Resolution

No. 69

Introduced by Assembly Member Eduardo Garcia

August 23, 2021

House Resolution No. 69—Relative to International Day of Peace.

WHEREAS, In 1981, the United Nations General Assembly,
 by unanimous vote, adopted Resolution 36/67 establishing the
 International Day of Peace; and
 WHEREAS Resolution 36/67 states in part "that it would be

WHEREAS, Resolution 36/67 states in part "that it would be
appropriate to devote a specific time to concentrate the efforts of
the United Nations and its Member States, as well as of the whole
of mankind, to promoting the ideals of peace and to giving positive
evidence of their commitment to peace in all viable ways"; and
WHEREAS, International Day of Peace provides an opportunity
for individuals, organizations, and nations to create practical acts

11 of peace on a shared date; and

WHEREAS, International Day of Peace should be devoted to
commemorating and strengthening the ideals of peace both within
and among all nations and peoples; and

15 WHEREAS, International Day of Peace is also a day of 16 ceasefire, whether personal or political; and

WHEREAS, International Day of Peace is an opportunity to
make peace in personal relationships and impact the larger conflicts
of our time; now, therefore, be it

20 Resolved by the Assembly of the State of California, That the

Assembly hereby proclaims September 21, 2021, as theInternational Day of Peace; and be it further

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- *Resolved*, That the Chief Clerk of the Assembly transmit copies of this resolution to the author for appropriate distribution. 1
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Date of Hearing: August 26, 2021

ASSEMBLY COMMITTEE ON RULES Ken Cooley, Chair HR 69 (Eduardo Garcia) – As Introduced August 23, 2021

SUBJECT: International Day of Peace.

SUMMARY: Proclaims September 21, 2021, as the International Day of Peace. Specifically, **this resolution** makes the following legislative findings:

- 1) In 1981, the United Nations General Assembly, by unanimous vote, adopted Resolution 36/67 establishing the International Day of Peace.
- 2) Resolution 36/67 states in part "that it would be appropriate to devote a specific time to concentrate the efforts of the United Nations and its Member States, as well as of the whole of mankind, to promoting the ideals of peace and to giving positive evidence of their commitment to peace in all viable ways".
- 3) International Day of Peace provides an opportunity for individuals, organizations, and nations to create practical acts of peace on a shared date.
- 4) International Day of Peace should be devoted to commemorating and strengthening the ideals of peace both within and among all nations and peoples.
- 5) International Day of Peace is an opportunity to make peace in personal relationships and impact the larger conflicts of our time.

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 Pan (Coauthor: Assembly Member Cooley)

June 7, 2021

Senate Concurrent Resolution No. 51—Relative to the Sacramento Municipal Utility District.

LEGISLATIVE COUNSEL'S DIGEST

SCR 51, as introduced, Pan. Sacramento Municipal Utility District: zero-carbon emissions goal.

This measure would recognize the Sacramento Municipal Utility District (SMUD) for setting the most ambitious carbon reduction goal of any large utility in the country and applaud SMUD's commitment to finding innovative ways to reach its zero-carbon emissions goal without impacting reliability or rates. The measure would recognize that SMUD's zero-carbon emissions goal puts the Sacramento region on the map as an example to follow and as a region where innovative, climate-friendly businesses want to be, the achieving the zero-carbon emissions goal that brings benefits not only globally, but also locally, the reduced emissions improve our local air quality and overall health and create jobs, and that SMUD is helping create a cleaner, more prosperous, and healthier region for all.

Fiscal committee: no.

- 1 WHEREAS, Climate change is a pressing threat facing our state,
- 2 our nation, and the world; and
- 3 WHEREAS, Globally, 2016 and 2020 were the hottest years on
- 4 record and Californians have witnessed firsthand the devastating
- 5 impacts of carbon on our climate, including devastating wildfires,
- 6 rising temperatures, and decreased snowpacks; and

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1 WHEREAS, Locally, Sacramento is one of the most polluted 2 cities in the country-a recent report by the American Lung 3 Association ranked the Sacramento area sixth in the nation based 4 on days of unhealthy and unsafe levels of air pollution in the ozone 5 layer; and 6 WHEREAS, For nearly 75 years, the community-owned, not-for-profit Sacramento Municipal Utility District (SMUD) has 7 8 been the Sacramento region's committed electricity partner and 9 has led the way in providing environmentally responsible electricity 10 and environmental stewardship to benefit its customers and 11 community; and 12 WHEREAS, SMUD has been a consistent leader in carbon 13 reduction and became the first large California utility to have at 14 least 20 percent of its electricity come from renewable sources; 15 and 16 WHEREAS, SMUD has a long list of notable firsts: it had the first utility-owned commercial-scale solar photovoltaic power plant 17 18 in 1984; it implemented the original green power pricing program for utility customers; it was the first California utility to make 19 20 time-based rates standard for all its customers; and it built the first solar-powered electric vehicle charging station in the western 21 22 United States; and 23 WHEREAS, SMUD has reduced its emissions of greenhouse 24 gases (GHG) by nearly 50 percent from 1990 levels in 2017, 2018, 25 and 2019 (the equivalent of removing 377,000 vehicles from the road) and has reduced the carbon intensity of its electricity mix, 26 27 which is now, on average, more than 50 percent carbon free; and 28 WHEREAS, SMUD provides numerous programs for customers, 29 including the State of California, to receive electricity from 30 carbon-free and renewable resources; and WHEREAS, SMUD provides all Department of General 31 32 Services buildings in its service territory with 100 percent 33 renewable electricity through SMUD's SolarShares and Greenergy 34 programs; and 35 WHEREAS, Through SMUD's Sustainable Communities Program, the utility engages community partners to target and 36 37 maximize GHG emissions reduction benefits to neighborhoods

38 that are likely to be underserved or in distress due to lack of 39 community development, livable wage employment, training

1 opportunities, affordable housing options, education, or 2 transportation, among other factors; and

WHEREAS, SMUD spearheaded the development of the California Mobility Center, a public-private consortium to foster clean, scalable e-mobility technologies and solutions that are poised to generate \$2.5 billion, in economic activity and 8,500 new jobs over the next five years; and

8 WHEREAS, In 2018, SMUD set one of the most aggressive 9 carbon reduction targets in the country with the goal of achieving 10 net-zero emissions by 2040; and

WHEREAS, In July 2020, SMUD's Board of Directors declared
a climate emergency and adopted a resolution calling for SMUD
to take significant and consequential actions to become carbon
neutral by 2030; and

WHEREAS, On April 28, 2021, SMUD's Board of Directors
solidified SMUD's commitment to leading the way to a clean
energy future with the approval of SMUD's 2030 Zero Carbon
Plan; and

WHEREAS, SMUD's 2030 Zero Carbon Plan is a flexible
roadmap to completely eliminating carbon emissions from SMUD's
electricity supply by 2030, without compromising affordability or
reliability and in a manner that engages all customers and promotes
environmental justice and equity; and

WHEREAS, SMUD has committed to keeping rate increaseswithin the rate of inflation; and

WHEREAS, To pay for new technologies and make them available to customers in an equitable manner, SMUD will aggressively pursue partnerships, investors, and grant funding; and

30 WHEREAS, SMUD conducted extensive outreach, including: 31 (1) seven stakeholder workshops with representatives from the solar and storage industries, environmental groups, business 32 33 leaders, and community organizations; (2) three customer and community meetings; (3) three expert panels; and, (4) a public 34 35 internet website with frequently asked questions, meeting recordings, videos, an email option for feedback, and LISTSERV 36 37 notification emails; and

WHEREAS, SMUD has committed to working in partnership
with its customers, the community, government agencies,
community leaders and organizations, business leaders and the

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1 business community, legislators, regulators, and others to help

2 align resources and programs for maximum impact in all communities; now, therefore, be it 3

Resolved by the Senate of the State of California, the Assembly 4 thereof concurring, That the Legislature recognizes SMUD for 5

setting the most ambitious carbon reduction goal of any large utility 6

in the country and applauds SMUD's commitment to finding 7 8

innovative ways to reach its zero-carbon emissions goal without 9 impacting reliability or rates, which are among the lowest in

10 California; and be it further

11 Resolved, That this ambitious zero-carbon emissions goal puts

12 the Sacramento region on the map as an example to follow and as a region where innovative, climate-friendly businesses want to be; 13

14 and be it further

15 *Resolved*, That achieving the zero-carbon emissions goal brings

benefits not only globally, but also locally, and reduced emissions 16

improve our local air quality and overall health and create jobs; 17 18 and be it further

19 Resolved, That SMUD is helping create a cleaner, more prosperous, and healthier region for all, and be it further 20

Resolved, That the Secretary of the Senate transmit copies of 21

22 this resolution to the author for appropriate distribution.

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Date of Hearing: August 26, 2021

ASSEMBLY COMMITTEE ON RULES Ken Cooley, Chair SCR 51 (Pan) – As Introduced June 7, 2021

SENATE VOTE: 31-2

SUBJECT: Sacramento Municipal Utility District: zero-carbon emissions goal.

SUMMARY: Recognizes the Sacramento Municipal Utility District (SMUD) for setting the most ambitious carbon reduction goal of any large utility in the country and applauds SMUD's commitment to finding innovative ways to reach its zero-carbon emissions goal. Specifically, **this resolution** makes the following legislative findings:

- Climate change is a pressing threat facing our state, our nation, and the world. Globally, 2016 and 2020 were the hottest years on record and Californians have witnessed firsthand the devastating impacts of carbon on our climate, including devastating wildfires, rising temperatures, and decreased snowpacks.
- 2) Locally, Sacramento is one of the most polluted cities in the country—a recent report by the American Lung Association ranked the Sacramento area sixth in the nation based on days of unhealthy and unsafe levels of air pollution in the ozone layer.
- 3) SMUD has been a consistent leader in carbon reduction and became the first large California utility to have at least 20 percent of its electricity come from renewable sources.
- 4) SMUD has reduced its emissions of greenhouse gases by nearly 50 percent from 1990 levels in 2017, 2018, and 2019 and has reduced the carbon intensity of its electricity mix, which is now, on average, more than 50 percent carbon free.
- 5) SMUD provides numerous programs for customers, including the State of California, to receive electricity from carbon-free and renewable resources.
- 6) SMUD provides all Department of General Services buildings in its service territory with 100 percent renewable electricity through SMUD's SolarShares and Greenergy programs.
- 7) SMUD's 2030 Zero Carbon Plan is a flexible roadmap to completely eliminating carbon emissions from SMUD's electricity supply by 2030, without compromising affordability or reliability and in a manner that engages all customers and promotes environmental justice and equity.
- 8) SMUD has committed to working in partnership with its customers, the community, government agencies, community leaders and organizations, business leaders and the business community, legislators, regulators, and others to help align resources and programs for maximum impact in all communities.

FISCAL EFFECT: None

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REGISTERED SUPPORT / OPPOSITION:

Support

350 Sacramento California Electric Transportation Coalition California Municipal Utilities Association (CMUA) California Special Districts Association (CSDA) Citizens' Climate Lobby, Sacramento City of Sacramento Coalition for Clean Air Environmental Council of Sacramento (ECOS) Environmental Defense Fund Golden State Natural Gas Systems, Inc. Natural Resources Defense Council Sacramento Climate Coalition Sacramento Municipal Utility District (SMUD) Sierra Club Sacramento Group

Opposition

None on file

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



















California Electric Transportation Coalition





August 25, 2021

The Honorable Ken Cooley State Capitol Sacramento, CA 95814

SCR 51 (PAN) - SUPPORT Re:

Dear Assemblymember Cooley:

The organizations above support your SCR 51, commending SMUD for its climate leadership and ambitious 2030 zero carbon goal. As you know, SMUD has been the Capital region's committed energy partner for nearly 75 years and has established an impressive track record of environmental leadership and stewardship to benefit all customers, including the State of California. In fact, SMUD currently provides all Department of General Service buildings in its service territory with 100 percent renewable energy through its SolarShares® and Greenergy® programs.

In April, SMUD's Board took bold action to adopt its 2030 Zero Carbon Plan – a flexible roadmap to completely eliminate carbon emissions from SMUD's electricity supply by 2030, without impacts to reliability or rate increases above inflation. This is the most ambitious carbon reduction target of any large utility in the country, and we applaud SMUD's commitment to a clean energy future.

An important component of SMUD's plan is to promote environmental justice and equity. This builds on SMUD's Sustainable Communities Program, whereby SMUD engages community partners to target and maximize carbon reduction benefits in neighborhoods that are likely to be underserved or in distress due to several factors including lack of community development, affordable housing, and transportation.

SMUD's 2030 zero carbon goal will bring benefits globally, by reducing greenhouse gas emissions, and locally, as reduced emissions improve our local air quality and overall health. Further, through the partnerships and new technology development necessary to achieve this goal, SMUD will attract climate-friendly businesses to the state and region.

We thank you for recognizing SMUD through SCR 51 and are pleased to support this measure.

Sincerely,

Paul Lau CEO and General Manager SMUD

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August 24, 2021

The Honorable Ken Cooley Chair, Assembly Rules Committee State Capitol, Room 3016 Sacramento, CA 95814 Attn: Michael Erke

RE: Urgency Clause Request – SB 262 (Hertzberg)

Dear Assemblymember Cooley,

I respectfully request to add an urgency clause to Senate Bill 262. An urgency clause is necessary to fully implement the California Supreme Court's recent decision in *In re Kenneth Humphrey* (S247278, March 25, 2021), where the court held that conditioning freedom solely on whether an arrestee can afford bail is unconstitutional.

The measure, as proposed to be amended, would direct the Judicial Council to establish a statewide bail schedule by 2023, add clarity and guidance to the ability-to-pay determinations required both by *Humphrey* and under the bill, preclude the imposition of costs on arrestees for conditions of pretrial release, and provide for refunds of bail premiums under certain conditions. The proposed amendments also remove the existing provisions of the bill related to 'zero bail,' which would have set bail presumptively at \$0 for many low-level crimes.

If you have any questions, please contact Freddie Quintana in my office at 310-940-0587 or <u>Freddie.Quintana@sen.ca.gov</u>.

Thank you for your consideration.

Sincerely,

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Robert M. Hertzberg Senator, 18th District

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PROPOSED AMENDMENTS TO SENATE BILL NO. 262 AMENDED IN SENATE MAY 20, 2021 AMENDED IN SENATE MARCH 10, 2021

SENATE BILL

No. 262

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Introduced by Senators Hertzberg and Skinner (Principal coauthor: Assembly Member Bonta) (Coauthors: Senators Bradford and Wiener)

January 27, 2021



LEGISLATIVE COUNSEL'S DIGEST

SB 262, as amended, Hertzberg. Bail.

Existing law provides for the procedure of approving and accepting bail, and issuing an order for the appearance and release of an arrested person. Existing law authorizes specified sheriff, police, and court employees to approve and accept bail in the amount fixed by the warrant of arrest, schedule of bail, or order admitting to bail. Existing law requires the superior court judges in each county to prepare, adopt, and annually revise a uniform countywide schedule of bail, as specified. specified, and requires the superior court judges, when adopting that schedule, to consider the seriousness of the offense charged and assign an additional amount of required bail for each aggravating or enhancing factor chargeable in the complaint, as specified.

This bill would require bail to be set at \$0 for all offenses except, among others, serious or violent felonies, violations of specified protective orders, battery against a spouse, sex offenses, and driving Amendment 1

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under the influence. The bill would instead require the Judicial Council to to, starting January 1, 2023, prepare, adopt, and annually revise a statewide bail schedule. The bill would require bail to be set according to the statewide schedule for any subsequent seperate offense while the defendant is released on bail that was set at \$0: the Judicial Council, when adopting that schedule, to consider the seriousness of the offense charged and input from stakeholders, experts, and other interested parties. The bill would require the court, prior to setting bail, to consider whether nonfinancial conditions will reasonably protect the public and the victim and reasonably assure the arrestee's presence at trial. The bill would, if the court concludes that money bail is necessary, require the court to consider the arrestee's ability to pay and to set bail at a level the arrestee can reasonably afford. conduct an inquiry into the arrestee's ability to pay, as specified. The bill would prohibit costs relating to conditions of release on bail from being imposed on persons released on bail or on their own recognizance. The bill would require the sheriff, police, and court employees above to approve and accept bail in the amount fixed by the bail schedule.

This bill would require the court to order a return of money or property paid to a bail bond licensee by or on behalf of the arrestee to obtain bail if the action or proceeding against the arrestee who has been admitted to bail is dismissed, no charges are filed against the arrestee within 60 days of arrest, or the arrestee has made all court appearances during the pendency of the action or proceeding against the arrestee, as specified. The bill would authorize the bail bond licensee to retain a surcharge not to exceed 5% of the amount paid by the arrestee or on behalf of the arrestee. The bill would require the court to order this return of money or property only for a bail contract entered into on or after January 1, 2022.

This bill would declare that it is to take effect immediately as an urgency statute.

Vote: majority²/₃. Appropriation: no. Fiscal committee: yes. State-mandated local program: no.

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

- + SECTION 1. This act shall be known, and may be cited, as the
- + Safe and Resilient Communities Act of 2021.
 1 SECTION 1.

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SEC. 2. The Legislature finds and declares all of the following:

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3 (a) The pretrial justice system in California is fundamentally
 4 broken. Not only has it failed to achieve its stated objectives of
 5 preventing recidivism and assuring court appearance, but it has

6 significantly eroded a sacred principle in our criminal justice

7 system: the presumption of innocence.

(b) California's high incarceration rate is a direct consequence
of our heavy reliance on pretrial detention. In 2015, the Public
Policy Institute of California reported that roughly 50,000, or 62
percent, of jail beds in California were filled with inmates awaiting
trial or sentencing. According to a more recent report, 44,241
county jail inmates across California in 2020, approximately
three-quarters of the state's total jail population, had not been

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2 convicted of or sentenced for a crime. 3 (c) As the California Supreme Court has observed, the 4 consequences of pretrial detention on the accused and their families 5 are immense and profound. Research suggests that pretrial 6 detention heightens the risk of losing a job, a home, and custody 7 of a child. Time in jail awaiting trial may even be associated with 8 a higher likelihood of reoffending, beginning anew a vicious cycle. 9 (d) These consequences are intensified by California's money 10 bail system, which often keeps people incarcerated before trial 11 simply because they cannot afford to pay bail. Indeed, as the 12 California Supreme Court has adduced, the median bail amount 13 in California, roughly \$50,000, is more than five times the median 14 for the rest of the nation on average. 15 (e) A recent report published by the University of California, 16 Los Angeles, Bunche Center estimated that approximately 97 17 percent of people who make bail in California use a bail agent and 18 pay a nonrefundable fee to a private company in order to secure their freedom. This is not a simple transaction because people often 19 20 have to borrow from friends and family, enter into exploitative 21 financing schemes, or put up their property, even their homes, as 22 collateral. Arrestees unable to gather the funds are often pressured 23 into taking a plea without having a full and fair opportunity to 24 defend their case, or worse, when they are actually innocent.

(f) The money bail industry in California has evolved into a
predatory scheme that puts profits over people and does not
enhance public safety or improve court appearance rates. According
to the Public Policy Institute of California, despite higher rates of
pretrial detention compared to other states, California, under the

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Page 3	31	current system, still has lower court appearance rates and higher
	32	rearrest rates.
	33	(g) The California Supreme Court has noted that the excessive
	34	pretrial detention that results from California's money bail system
	35	forces the state to bear the cost of housing and feeding arrestees
	36	that could be properly released. For instance, just six California
	37	counties spent \$37,500,000 over a two-year period jailing people
	38	who were never charged or who had charges dropped or dismissed.
	39	(h) By shifting from a system focused on pretrial detention to
	40	one focused on pretrial release, outcomes could be vastly improved.
Page 4	1	Studies show that the cost of supervising a person in the community
	2	pending trial is generally about 10 percent the cost of keeping them
	3	in jail. Several jurisdictions across the country have transitioned
	4	to release-based models that save taxpayers millions of dollars
	5	without sacrificing public safety.
	6	(i) Modern technology provides an array of valuable tools that
	7	have already proven effective in the pretrial context, rendering
	8	many current practices obsolete. For instance, recent research
	9	suggests that simple text message reminders can significantly
	10	improve court appearance. The pretrial system in the County of
	11	Santa Clara, which relies on text message reminders, has
	12	maintained a 95-percent court appearance rate for defendants
	13	released before trial.
	14	(j) In March 2021, the California Supreme Court ruled that
	15	conditioning freedom solely on whether an arrestee can afford bail
	16	is unconstitutional, and that in setting bail, judges must consider
	17	an arrestee's ability to pay.
	18	(k) California should be a leader in enacting meaningful bail
	19	reform that upholds the values of equal protection and due process
	20	without compromising the safety of victims and the general public.
	22	SEC. 2.
	+	SEC. 3. Section 1269b of the Penal Code is amended to read:
	23	1269b. (a) The officer in charge of a jail in which an arrested
	24	person is held in custody, an officer of a sheriff's department or
	25	police department of a city who is in charge of a jail or is employed
	26	at a fixed police or sheriff's facility and is acting under an
	27	agreement with the agency that keeps the jail in which an arrested
	28	person is held in custody, an employee of a sheriff's department

29 or police department of a city who is assigned by the department 30 to collect bail, the clerk of the superior court of the county in which RN 21 17906 03 08/23/21 07:41 PM **SUBSTANTIVE**

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SUBSTANTIVE Page 4 31 the offense was alleged to have been committed, and the clerk of 32 the superior court in which the case against the defendant is 33 pending-shall may approve and accept bail in the amount fixed Amendments 5 & 6 34 pursuant to this section by the warrant of arrest, schedule of bail, + or order admitting to bail in cash or surety bond executed by a 35 certified, admitted surety insurer as provided in the Insurance 36 Code, to issue and sign an order for the release of the arrested 37 person, and to set a time and place for the appearance of the 38 arrested person before the appropriate court and give notice thereof. (b) If a defendant has appeared before a judge of the court on 39 40 the charge contained in the complaint, indictment, or information, Page 5 the bail shall be in the amount fixed by the judge at the time of the 1 2 appearance, in accordance with subdivisions (c) and (d). Amendment 7 3 appearance. If that appearance has not been made, the amount of Amendment 8 4 bail shall be fixed pursuant to subdivisions (e) and (d). the bail + shall be in the amount fixed in the warrant of arrest or, if no +warrant of arrest has been issued, the amount of bail shall be pursuant to the uniform countywide schedule of bail for the county ++in which the defendant is required to appear until the statewide +bail schedule is prepared and adopted by the Judicial Council pursuant to subdivision (c), at which point it shall be set pursuant + + to that statewide bail schedule. 5 (c) Bail shall be set at zero dollars (\$0) for all misdemeanor and Amendment 9 6 felony offenses except the following: 7 (1) A serious felony, as defined in subdivision (c) of Section 8 1192.7, or a violent felony, as defined in subdivision (e) of Section 9 667.5. 10 (2) A felony violation of Section 69. 11 (3) A violation of paragraph (1) of subdivision (e) of Section 12 166. 13 (4) A violation of Section 136.1 when punishment is imposed 14 under subdivision (c) of Section 136.1. 15 (5) A violation of Section 262. (6) A violation of paragraph (1) of subdivision (c) of Section 16 17 243 or Section 273.5. (7) A violation of Section 273.6 if the detained person made 18 19 threats to kill or harm, has engaged in violence against, or has gone 20 to the residence or workplace of, the protected party. 21 (8) A violation of Section 422 where the offense is charged as 22 a felony:

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Page 5	23	(9)	A violation of Section 646.9.
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- 24 (10) A violation of an offense listed in subdivision (c) of Section
 25 290.
- 26 (11) A violation of Section 23152 or 23153 of the Vehicle Code.
- 27 (12) A felony violation of Section 463.
- 28 (13) A violation of Section 29800.
- 29 (14) A violation of Section 422.6 or Section 422.7.
- 30 (15) A violation of Section 236.1.
- 31 (16) A violation of Section 273a or Section 273d.
- 32 (17) A violation of Section 368.
- 33 (18) A violation of paragraph (4) of subdivision (a) of Section
 34 245.
- 35 (d) For all offenses listed in paragraphs (1) to (18), inclusive,
- 36 of subdivision (c), and for the purposes of subdivision (c), the
- 37 Judicial Council shall prepare, adopt, and annually revise a
- 38 schedule of bail amounts, which shall apply statewide.
- 3 (c) While released on bail for zero dollars (\$0), bail for 4 subsequent separate offenses shall be set pursuant to the statewide
- 4 subsequent separate offenses shall be set pursuant to the statewide 5 bail_schedule_established_by_Judicial_Council_pursuant_to
- 5 bail schedule established by Judicial Council pursuant to 6 subdivision (d), and subject to the provisions in subdivision (f):
- 7 This subdivision does not apply to those subsequent and separate
- 8 offenses that occur after the original offense is resolved.
- + (c) On or before January 1, 2023, and in each subsequent year,
- + the Judicial Council shall prepare, adopt, and annually revise a
- + statewide schedule of bail amounts for all felony, misdemeanor,
- + and infraction offenses except Vehicle Code infractions. On
- + January 1, 2023, each county's uniform countywide bail schedule
- + shall be deemed inoperative and shall not be used in fixing the
- + amount of bail for any felony, misdemeanor, or infraction offense
- + except Vehicle Code infractions and local municipal code and + county ordinance violations.
- 9 (f)

+ (d) (1) Prior to setting bail for an offense listed in paragraphs

10 (1) to (18), inclusive, of subdivision (e), or for an offense pursuant

- 11 to subdivision (c), bail, the court shall first consider whether
- 12 nonfinancial conditions will reasonably protect the public and the
- 13 victim and reasonably assure the arrestee's presence at trial.
- 14 (2) If the court concludes that money bail is reasonably 15 necessary to protect the public and the victim or reasonably assure
- 16 the arrestee's presence at trial, the court shall consider the arrestee's

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Page 6	17	ability to pay, and set bail at a level the arrestee can reasonably	SUBSTANTIVE
		afford. conduct an inquiry into the arrestee's ability to pay and	
	+	shall make a finding that the arrestee has the present ability to	
	+	pay the amount of monetary bail without substantial hardship.	
	+	(3) For purposes of this subdivision, the following definitions	
	+	apply:	
	+	(A) "Ability to pay" means the payer's present ability with	
	+	income or assets available to them to pay the specified amount	
	+	without borrowing money, selling personal property, obtaining a	
	+	loan, taking money from family or friends, accessing a	
	+	means-tested public benefit in which they are enrolled, or paying	
	+	a bond premium.	
	+	(B) "Substantial hardship" means a significant infringement	
	+	on a payer's ability to meet the basic necessities of life for	
	+	themselves or their dependents. These basic necessities include,	
	+	but are not limited to, reasonable expenses for food, shelter,	
	+	communication, clothing, transportation, utilities, medical and	
	+	dental care, childcare, and education.	
	20	(g)	Amendment 13
	+	(e) The penalty schedule for infraction violations of the Vehicle	1
	21	Code shall be established by the Judicial Council in accordance	
	22	with Section 40310 of the Vehicle Code.	1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1
	24	(h)	Amendments 14 & 15
	+	(f) In adopting a uniform statewide schedule of bail for all	
	25	offenses listed in paragraphs (1) to (18), inclusive, of pursuant to	1
	26 27	subdivision (c), the Judicial Council shall consider the seriousness of the offense charged. In considering the seriousness of the offense	Amendment 16
	28	charged the judges shall assign an additional amount of required	Amendment 10
	29	bail for each aggravating or enhancing factor chargeable in the	
	30	complaint, including, but not limited to, additional bail for charges	
	31	alleging facts that would bring a person within any of the following	
	32	sections: Section 667.5, 667.51, 667.6, 667.8, 667.85, 667.9,	
	33	<u>667.10, 12022, 12022.1, 12022.2, 12022.3, 12022.4, 12022.5,</u>	
	34	12022.53, 12022.7, 12022.8, or 12022.9 of this code, or Section	
	35	11356.5, 11370.2, or 11370.4 of the Health and Safety Code.	
	+	charged and input from stakeholders, experts, and other interested	
	+	parties.	
	37	(i)	Amendment 17
	+	(g) The statewide bail schedule shall contain a list of the offenses	
	38	and the amounts of bail applicable for each offense. The Judicial	2

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Page 6	39	Council shall send a copy of the statewide bail schedule to the		SUBSTANTIVE
0-	40	presiding judge of each superior court, and the presiding judge		
Page 7	1	shall provide a copy of the statewide bail schedule to the officer		
0	2	in charge of the county jail, to the officer in charge of each city		
	3	jail within the county, and to each superior court judge and		
	4	commissioner in the county.		
	6	(i)		Amendment 18
	+	(h) (1) Upon posting bail, the defendant or arrested person shall		
	7	be discharged from custody as to the offense on which the bail is	•	
	8	posted.		
	9	(2) All money and surety bonds so deposited with an officer		
	10	authorized to receive bail shall be transmitted immediately to the		
	11	judge or clerk of the court by which the order was made or warrant		Amendment 19
	12	issued or bail schedule fixed. with jurisdiction. If, in the case of		
	13	felonies, an indictment is filed, the judge or clerk of the court shall		
	14	transmit all of the money and surety bonds to the clerk of the court.	2	
	16	(k)		Amendment 20
	+	(i) If a defendant or arrested person so released fails to appear		
	17	at the time and in the court so ordered upon their release from		
	18	custody, Sections 1305 and 1306 apply.		
	+	(j) Nothing in this section restricts the ability of the court to		Amendment 21
	+	deny bail in accordance with Section 12 of Article I of the		
	+	California Constitution, or to set, reduce, or deny bail in		
	+	accordance with paragraph (3) of subdivision (f) of Section 28 of		
	+	Article I of the California Constitution.		
	20	SEC. 3.		Amendment 22
	+	SEC. 4. Section 1269d is added to the Penal Code, to read:		
	21	1269d. Costs relating to conditions of release from custody		
	22	shall not be imposed on a person released on bail or their own	ĩ	1
	23	recognizance pursuant to this chapter. chapter, including, but not		Amendment 23
	+	limited to, fees relating to conditions of release or the imposition		
	+	of conditions of release that require the person released to pay for those conditions.		
	25	SEC. 4:		Amendment 24
	+	SEC. 5. Section 1302.5 is added to the Penal Code, to read:		Amenument 24
	26	1302.5. (a) The court shall order a return of money or property	,	
	27	paid to a bail bond licensee by or on behalf of the arrestee to obtain		
	28	bail under any of the following circumstances:		
	29	(1) An action or proceeding against an arrestee who has been		
	30	admitted to bail is dismissed.		

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Page 7 (2) No charges are filed against the arrestee within 60 days of 31 32 arrest.

> 33 (3) The arrestee has made all court appearances during the 34 pendency of the action or proceeding against the arrestee.

> 35 (b) The bail bond licensee shall be entitled to retain a surcharge

> 36 not to exceed 5 percent of the amount paid by the arrestee or on 37 behalf of the arrestee.

> (c) Money or property shall be returned pursuant to subdivision 38

39 (a) within 30 days of the court order issued pursuant to subdivision Page 8 1 (a) and shall be to the entity or person who paid the money or 2

property to the bail bond licensee to obtain bail.

(d) A court shall order a return of money or property pursuant

4 to this section only for a bail contract entered into on or after 5 January 1, 2022.

+ SEC. 6. This act is an urgency statute necessary for the

+ immediate preservation of the public peace, health, or safety within

+ the meaning of Article IV of the California Constitution and shall

go into immediate effect. The facts constituting the necessity are: +

+ In order to rapidly address the injustice of costs relating to

+ money bail and conditions of pretrial release, it is necessary that

+ this act go into effect immediately.

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