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Monday, May 8, 2017  
10 minutes prior to Session  
State Capitol, Room 3162

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# Memo

**To:** Rules Committee Members  
**From:** Michael Erke, Bill Referral Consultant  
**Date:** 5/5/2017  
**Re:** Consent Bill Referrals

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Since you received your preliminary list of bill referrals, SB 535 and SCR 45 have been added to the referrals.

## REFERRAL OF BILLS TO COMMITTEE

05/08/2017

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

Assembly Bill No.	Committee:
<u>ACR 84</u>	RLS.
<u>ACR 85</u>	RLS.
<u>ACR 87</u>	RLS.
<u>ACR 88</u>	TRANS.
<u>ACR 89</u>	RLS.
<u>HR 37</u>	RLS.
<u>SB 535</u>	APPR.
<u>SCR 45</u>	RLS.

## RE-REFERRAL OF BILLS

05/08/2017

The Committee on Rules has re-referred the following bills to Committee:

Assembly Bill No.

Committee:

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REVENUE AND TAXATION

**Assembly Concurrent Resolution**

**No. 75**

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**Introduced by Assembly Member Bigelow**

April 25, 2017

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Assembly Concurrent Resolution No. 75—Relative to California Fairgrounds Appreciation Month.

LEGISLATIVE COUNSEL’S DIGEST

ACR 75, as introduced, Bigelow. California Fairgrounds Appreciation Month.

This measure would designate the month of May 2017 as California Fairgrounds Appreciation Month and would extend the Legislature’s warmest regards and appreciation to the thousands of volunteers, fair directors, staff, business supporters, and sponsors who keep the California fairgrounds’ network strong, vibrant, relevant, and successful.

Fiscal committee: no.

- 1 WHEREAS, California’s 76 fairgrounds serve the entire state,
- 2 from the County of San Diego to Del Norte, and from the County
- 3 of Monterey to Mariposa; and
- 4 WHEREAS, California’s fairgrounds attracted over 20 million
- 5 visitors for fairs and events in 2016; and
- 6 WHEREAS, California’s counties enjoy the year-round
- 7 economic, recreational, cultural, and social impacts of the
- 8 fairgrounds; and
- 9 WHEREAS, California fairgrounds expend and generate millions
- 10 of new dollars for nonprofit organizations, youth organizations,
- 11 cities and counties, small businesses, and the state’s General Fund;
- 12 and

1 WHEREAS, California fairgrounds, after years of fire-related  
2 emergency use during the drought years, were again pressed into  
3 service for flood evacuations, including the Oroville Dam  
4 evacuations; and

5 WHEREAS, California fairgrounds provide public facilities for  
6 animals and pets and livestock during good times and bad; and

7 WHEREAS, California's 76 fairgrounds continue to serve as  
8 the social and economic hub of their respective communities; now,  
9 therefore, be it

10 *Resolved by the Assembly of the State of California, the Senate*  
11 *thereof concurring*, That the Legislature hereby designates the  
12 month of May 2017 as California Fairgrounds Appreciation Month  
13 in appreciation for the services provided to California by the 76  
14 fairgrounds in the state; and be it further

15 *Resolved*, That the Legislature extends its warmest regards and  
16 appreciation to the thousands of volunteers, fair directors, staff,  
17 business supporters, and sponsors who keep the California  
18 fairgrounds' network strong, vibrant, relevant, and successful; and  
19 be it further

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

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Date of Hearing: May 8, 2017

ASSEMBLY COMMITTEE ON RULES  
Ken Cooley, Chair  
ACR 75 (Bigelow) – As Introduced April 25, 2017

**SUBJECT:** California Fairgrounds Appreciation Month

**SUMMARY:** Designates the month of May 2017 as California Fairgrounds Appreciation Month and extends the Legislature's warmest regards and appreciation to the thousands of volunteers, fair directors, staff, business supporters, and sponsors who keep the California fairgrounds' network strong, vibrant, relevant, and successful. Specifically, **this resolution** makes the following legislative findings:

- 1) California's 76 fairgrounds serve the entire state, from the County of San Diego to Del Norte, and from the County of Monterey to Mariposa. These fairgrounds attracted over 20 million visitors for fairs and events in 2016.
- 2) California's counties enjoy the year-round economic, recreational, cultural, and social impacts of the fairgrounds.
- 3) California fairgrounds, after years of fire-related emergency use during the drought times, were again pressed into service for flood evacuations, including the Oroville Dam evacuations.
- 4) These 76 fairgrounds continue to serve as the social and economic hub of their respective communities and also provide public facilities for animals, pets, and livestock during good times and bad.

**FISCAL EFFECT:** None

**REGISTERED SUPPORT / OPPOSITION:**

**Support**

None on file

**Opposition**

None on file

**Analysis Prepared by:** Nicole Willis / RLS. / (916) 319-2800

## Assembly Concurrent Resolution

No. 81

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**Introduced by Assembly Member Chau**  
**(Coauthors: Assembly Members Bonta, Chen, Chiu, Choi, Chu,**  
**Fong, Gloria, Kalra, Low, Muratsuchi, Nazarian, and Ting)**  
(Coauthors: Senators De León, Nguyen, and Pan)

April 27, 2017

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Assembly Concurrent Resolution No. 81—Relative to Asian and Pacific Islander American Heritage Month.

### LEGISLATIVE COUNSEL’S DIGEST

ACR 81, as introduced, Chau. May 2017: Asian and Pacific Islander American Heritage Month.

This measure would recognize May 2017 as Asian and Pacific Islander American Heritage Month.

Fiscal committee: no.

- 1 WHEREAS, One of the earliest records of Asian and Pacific  
2 Islander Americans in the United States dates back to 1763 in New  
3 Orleans, Louisiana, where Filipino sailors who worked the  
4 Manila-Acapulco trade route settled; and  
5 WHEREAS, Asian and Pacific Islander Americans have made  
6 indelible contributions to the history of California and the United  
7 States that include, but are not limited to, building the  
8 Transcontinental Railroad, serving honorably in the Armed Forces,  
9 fighting for the United States in foreign wars, coorganizing the  
10 Delano Grape Strike, and advocating for civil rights; and  
11 WHEREAS, Asian and Pacific Islander Americans have endured  
12 hardships, including unjust working conditions, prejudice, and



1 discrimination in some of the darkest times in our state's and  
2 nation's history, including the Chinese Exclusion Act, naturalized  
3 citizenship ineligibility, the Alien Land Law, antimiscegenation  
4 laws, and Japanese internment; and

5 WHEREAS, Asian and Pacific Islander Americans continue to  
6 cultivate, advance, and lead in the fields of art, fashion, business,  
7 technology, education, science, government, law, humanities,  
8 medicine, sports, and entertainment; and

9 WHEREAS, California is home to over 5.8 million Asian and  
10 Pacific Islander Americans, more than any other state, and Asian  
11 and Pacific Islander Americans are one of the fastest growing  
12 ethnic populations in the state and nation; and

13 WHEREAS, Asian and Pacific Islander Americans constitute  
14 16 percent of California's population and represent diverse  
15 ancestries that include, but are not limited to, Asian Indian,  
16 Bangladeshi, Bhutanese, Burmese, Cambodian, Chamorro,  
17 Chinese, Taiwanese, Filipino, Hmong, Indonesian, Iu-Mien, Iwo  
18 Jiman, Guamanian, Japanese, Korean, Laotian, Malaysian,  
19 Maldivian, Mongolian, Nepalese, Native Hawaiian, Vietnamese,  
20 Okinawan, Pakistani, Samoan, Singaporean, Sri Lankan, Thai,  
21 Tongan, and other Pacific Islander; and

22 WHEREAS, California's Asian and Pacific Islander American  
23 entrepreneurs are innovative and lead many successful businesses  
24 to the pinnacle of their respective industries nationally and globally,  
25 and own 15 percent of businesses in California; and

26 WHEREAS, The California Commission on Asian and Pacific  
27 Islander American Affairs was established in 2004 and is charged  
28 with advising the Governor, the Legislature, and state agencies on  
29 issues relating to the social and economic development, rights,  
30 and interests of California's Asian and Pacific Islander American  
31 communities; and

32 WHEREAS, The California Joint Asian and Pacific Islander  
33 Legislative Caucus, a caucus of State Assembly Members and  
34 Senators, is composed of 16 Members during this session and  
35 represents and advocates for the interests of the diverse Asian and  
36 Pacific Islander American communities; and

37 WHEREAS, Federal law designates May as "Asian/Pacific  
38 American Heritage Month" in Section 102 of Title 36 of the United  
39 States Code; and

1 WHEREAS, Celebrating Asian and Pacific Islander Heritage  
2 Month provides Californians with an opportunity to recognize the  
3 achievements, contributions, and history of Asian and Pacific  
4 Islander Americans; now, therefore, be it

5 *Resolved by the Assembly of the State of California, the Senate*  
6 *thereof concurring*, That the Legislature commends Asian and  
7 Pacific Islander Americans for their notable accomplishments and  
8 contributions to California, and recognizes May 2017 as Asian  
9 and Pacific Islander American Heritage 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: May 8, 2017

ASSEMBLY COMMITTEE ON RULES  
Ken Cooley, Chair  
ACR 81 (Chau) – As Introduced April 27, 2017

**SUBJECT:** May 2017: Asian and Pacific Islander American Heritage Month

**SUMMARY:** Recognizes May 2017 as Asian and Pacific Islander American Heritage Month. Specifically, **this resolution** makes the following legislative findings:

- 1) California is home to over 5.8 million Asian and Pacific Islander Americans, more than any other state and Asian and Pacific Islander Americans are one of the fastest growing ethnic populations in the state and the nation.
- 2) Asian and Pacific Islander Americans have endured hardships, including unjust working conditions, prejudice, and discrimination in some of the darkest times in our state's and nation's history, including the Chinese Exclusion Act, naturalized citizenship ineligibility, the Alien Land Law, antimiscegenation laws, and Japanese internment.
- 3) Asian and Pacific Islander Americans continue to cultivate, advance, and lead in the fields of art, fashion, business, technology, education, science, government, law, humanities, medicine, sports, and entertainment.
- 4) The California Commission on Asian and Pacific Islander American Affairs was established in 2004 and is charged with advising the Governor, the Legislature, and state agencies on issues relating to the social and economic development, rights and interests of California's Asian and Pacific Islander American communities.
- 5) The California Joint Asian and Pacific Islander Legislative Caucus, a caucus of State Assembly Members and Senators, is composed of 16 Members during this session and represents and advocates for the interests of the diverse Asian and Pacific Islander American communities.
- 6) Celebrating Asian and Pacific Islander Heritage Month provides Californians with an opportunity to recognize the achievements, contributions, and history of Asian and Pacific Islander Americans.

**FISCAL EFFECT:** None

**REGISTERED SUPPORT / OPPOSITION:**

**Support**

None on file

**Opposition**

None on file

**Analysis Prepared by:** Nicole Willis / RLS. / (916) 319-2800

**Assembly Concurrent Resolution**

**No. 86**

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**Introduced by Assembly Member Chau**

May 3, 2017

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Assembly Concurrent Resolution No. 86—Relative to Asian and Pacific Islander American Mental Health Day.

LEGISLATIVE COUNSEL’S DIGEST

ACR 86, as introduced, Chau. Asian and Pacific Islander American Mental Health Day.

This measure would recognize May 10, 2017, and each May 10 thereafter, as Asian and Pacific Islander American Mental Health Day, and would acknowledge the importance of raising awareness about mental health in the Asian and Pacific Islander American community.

Fiscal committee: no.

1 WHEREAS, The Asian and Pacific Islander American  
2 community is among the fastest growing and most diverse racial  
3 groups in the United States. Asian and Pacific Islander Americans  
4 have made remarkable economic, political, and social contributions,  
5 and are the majority in 16 California cities and the second largest  
6 group in four California counties; and

7 WHEREAS, Approximately one in five Americans experience  
8 and are diagnosed with a mental health condition in a given year,  
9 impacting all communities regardless of race, ethnicity, age,  
10 socioeconomic status, and gender; and

11 WHEREAS, There is a critical need to raise awareness about  
12 and advocate for health care policies that increase the accessibility  
13 of mental health care services; and

1 WHEREAS, In this country, there is a critical need to raise  
2 awareness about mental health, particularly within the Asian and  
3 Pacific Islander American community, to destigmatize seeking  
4 help, and to gain access to culturally competent community  
5 services; and

6 WHEREAS, Asian and Pacific Islander Americans use mental  
7 health services at the lowest rates among ethnic populations. This  
8 may be due to the substantial stigma that exists among Asian and  
9 Pacific Islander Americans, as well as cultural and linguistic  
10 isolation of the community, family, and individual; and

11 WHEREAS, There is an extreme lack of research regarding  
12 Asian and Pacific Islander Americans and mental health issues. A  
13 combination of psychosocial and pharmacological treatments and  
14 supports prove to be highly effective for individuals with mental  
15 health issues having significant reduction of symptoms and  
16 improved quality of life; and

17 WHEREAS, Raising awareness about mental health in the Asian  
18 and Pacific Islander American community encourages professional  
19 interest in health and human services careers, fostering a diversified  
20 workforce that reflects the community; now, therefore, be it

21 *Resolved by the Assembly of the State of California, the Senate*  
22 *thereof concurring*, That the Legislature recognizes May 10, 2017,  
23 and each May 10 thereafter, as Asian and Pacific Islander American  
24 Mental Health Day, and acknowledges the importance of raising  
25 awareness about mental health in the Asian and Pacific Islander  
26 American community; and be it further

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

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Date of Hearing: May 8, 2017

ASSEMBLY COMMITTEE ON RULES  
Ken Cooley, Chair  
ACR 86 (Chau) – As Introduced May 3, 2017

**SUBJECT:** Asian and Pacific Islander American Mental Health Day

**SUMMARY:** Recognizes May 10, 2017, and each May 10 thereafter, as Asian and Pacific Islander American Mental Health Day, and acknowledges the importance of raising awareness about mental health in the Asian and Pacific Islander American community. Specifically, **this resolution** makes the following legislative findings:

- 1) In this country, there is a critical need to raise awareness about mental health, particularly with the Asian and Pacific Islander American community, to destigmatize seeking help and to gain access to culturally competent community services.
- 2) The Asian and Pacific Islander American community is among the fastest growing and most diverse racial groups in the United States. Asian and Pacific Islander Americans have made remarkable economic, political, and social contributions, and are in the majority in 16 California cities and the second largest group in four California counties.
- 3) Asian and Pacific Islander Americans use mental health services at the lowest rates among ethnic populations; and a combination of psychosocial and pharmacological treatments and supports prove to be highly effective for individuals with mental health issues having significant reduction of symptoms and improved quality of life.
- 4) There is a lack of research regarding Asian and Pacific Islander Americans and mental health issues. Raising awareness about mental health in the Asian and Pacific Islander American community encourages professional interest in health and human services careers, fostering a diversified workforce that reflects the community.

**FISCAL EFFECT:** None

**REGISTERED SUPPORT / OPPOSITION:**

**Support**

None on file

**Opposition**

None on file

**Analysis Prepared by:** Nicole Willis / RLS. / (916) 319-2800

**House Resolution**

**No. 33**

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**Introduced by Assembly Member Cooper**

April 24, 2017

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House Resolution No. 33—Relative to schoolbus drivers.

- 1 WHEREAS, Traditionally, on the fourth Tuesday of April, the  
2 people of California should officially recognize all schoolbus  
3 drivers for their continued and excellent services to the youth of  
4 the state, and these drivers are deserving of special public  
5 recognition and the highest commendations; and  
6 WHEREAS, The California Association of School  
7 Transportation Officials is a professional organization that  
8 promotes safe pupil transportation and advocates for continued  
9 high standards for California’s schoolbus drivers; and  
10 WHEREAS, The safety of our children rests in the hands of  
11 trained schoolbus drivers for up to six or seven hours each  
12 schoolday; and  
13 WHEREAS, Personal time and energy are expended by  
14 schoolbus drivers in their initial training, maintaining a current  
15 license, perfecting their driving skills, and accruing added  
16 knowledge of schoolbus laws through continuing education classes;  
17 and  
18 WHEREAS, Schoolbus drivers, through counseling and  
19 disciplinary techniques, are sometimes asked to assist pupils in  
20 appropriate interactive peer and adult behavior; and  
21 WHEREAS, Schoolbus drivers often face natural and  
22 unexpected hazards in the performance of their duties; and



1 WHEREAS, Schoolbus drivers exhibit patience and kindness  
2 toward pupils, parents, and school staff in the performance of their  
3 duties; and

4 WHEREAS, Schoolbus drivers consistently demonstrate an  
5 awareness of, and direct attention to, the mechanical maintenance  
6 of the schoolbus and safety conditions of the schoolbus routes;  
7 and

8 WHEREAS, Many schoolbus drivers perform their services for  
9 thousands and thousands of accident-free miles, year after year;  
10 now, therefore, be it

11 *Resolved by the Assembly of the State of California*, That the  
12 Assembly recognizes schoolbus drivers for their continued and  
13 excellent services to the youth of the State of California; and be it  
14 further

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

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Date of Hearing: May 8, 2017

ASSEMBLY COMMITTEE ON RULES  
Ken Cooley, Chair  
HR 33 (Cooper) – As Introduced April 24, 2017

**SUBJECT:** schoolbus drivers

**SUMMARY:** Recognizes schoolbus drivers for their continued and excellent services to the youth of the State of California. Specifically, **this resolution** makes the following legislative findings:

- 1) The California Association of School Transportation Officials is a professional organization that promotes safe pupil transportation and advocates for continued high standards for California's school bus drivers; and many school bus drivers perform their services for thousands of accident-free miles, year after year.
- 2) Our children's safety rests in the hands of school bus drivers each school day; and, the drivers expend energy and personal time during their initial training, maintaining a current license, perfecting their driving skills, and accruing added knowledge of school bus laws through continuing education classes.
- 3) School bus drivers often face natural and unexpected hazards in the performance of their duties; and, through counseling and disciplinary techniques they are sometimes asked to assist pupils in appropriate interactive peer and adult behavior.
- 4) School bus drivers consistently demonstrate an awareness of, and direct attention to, the mechanical maintenance of the school bus and safety conditions of the school bus routes as well as exhibiting patience and kindness toward the pupils, parents, and school staff in the performance of their duties.

**FISCAL EFFECT:** None

**REGISTERED SUPPORT / OPPOSITION:**

**Support**

None on file

**Opposition**

None on file

**Analysis Prepared by:** Nicole Willis / RLS. / (916) 319-2800

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**Introduced by Senator Hueso**

February 14, 2017

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Senate Concurrent Resolution No. 22—Relative to Autism Awareness Month.

LEGISLATIVE COUNSEL’S DIGEST

SCR 22, as introduced, Hueso. Autism Awareness Month.

This measure would designate the month of April 2017 as Autism Awareness Month and would encourage residents to show support for autism awareness.

Fiscal committee: no.

- 1 WHEREAS, Autism is a pervasive developmental disorder  
2 affecting the social, communication, and behavioral skills of those  
3 affected by it; and  
4 WHEREAS, More than 3.5 million Americans live with an  
5 autism spectrum disorder; and  
6 WHEREAS, More children are being diagnosed on the autism  
7 spectrum than ever before with diagnoses as high as one in 68  
8 children nationally; and  
9 WHEREAS, More than 97,000 California public school students  
10 have been diagnosed as autistic; and  
11 WHEREAS, There is no cure for autism, but it is  
12 well-documented that if individuals with autism receive treatment  
13 early in their lives, it is often possible for those individuals to lead  
14 significantly improved lives; and  
15 WHEREAS, Individuals with autism often require a lifetime of  
16 specialized and community support services to ensure their health  
17 and safety, and to support families’ resilience as they manage the

1 psychological and financial burdens autism presents; now,  
2 therefore, be it

3 *Resolved by the Senate of the State of California, the Assembly*  
4 *thereof concurring*, That the Legislature designates the month of  
5 April 2017 as Autism Awareness Month and encourages residents  
6 to show support for autism awareness; and be it further

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

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Date of Hearing: May 8, 2017

ASSEMBLY COMMITTEE ON RULES  
Ken Cooley, Chair  
SCR 22 (Hueso) – As Introduced February 14, 2017

**SENATE VOTE:** 37-0

**SUBJECT:** Autism Awareness Month

**SUMMARY:** Designates the month of April 2017 as Autism Awareness Month and encourages residents to show support for autism awareness. Specifically, **this resolution** makes the following legislative findings:

- 1) Autism is a pervasive developmental disorder affecting the social, communication, and behavioral skills of those affected by it and more than 3.5 million Americans live with an autism spectrum disorder.
- 2) More children are being diagnosed on the autism spectrum than ever before with diagnoses as high as one in 68 children nationally. More than 97,000 California public school students have been diagnosed as autistic.
- 3) There is no cure for autism, but it is well-documented that if individuals with autism receive treatment early in their lives, it is often possible for those individuals to lead significantly improved lives.
- 4) Individuals with autism often require a lifetime of specialized and community support services to ensure their health and safety, and to support families' resilience as they manage the psychological and financial burdens autism presents.

**FISCAL EFFECT:** None

**REGISTERED SUPPORT / OPPOSITION:**

**Support**

American Federation of State, County, and Municipal Employees (AFSCME), AFL-CIO  
Association of Regional Center Agencies (ARCA)  
Autism Speaks  
Center for Autism & Related Disorders (CARD)

**Opposition**

None on file

**Analysis Prepared by:** Nicole Willis / RLS. / (916) 319-2800



AFSCME Council 36

AFSCME Council 57

AFSCME/MWD Local 1902  
Metropolitan Water District

AFSCME/MAPA Local 1001  
Metropolitan Water District

AFSCME/UAPD Local 206  
Union Of American  
Physicians And Dentists

AFSCME/UC Local 3299  
University of California

AFSCME/UNAC NUHCE  
United Nurses Associations  
Of California  
Union of Health Care  
Professionals

UEMSW Local 4911  
United EMS Workers

May 4, 2017

**TO: The Honorable Ken Cooley, Chair  
The Honorable Members of the Assembly Committee on Rules**

**RE: Senate Concurrent Resolution 22 (Hueso) – AFSCME SUPPORTS**

The American Federation of State, County and Municipal Employees (AFSCME), AFL-CIO, would like to inform you of our **support of Senate Concurrent Resolution 22**, as introduced on February 14, 2017.

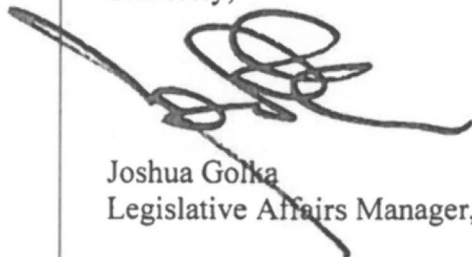
This measure would designate the month of April 2017 as Autism Awareness Month. More children are being diagnosed on the autism spectrum than ever before with diagnoses as high as one in 68 children nationally. There is no cure for autism, but it is well-documented that if individuals with autism receive treatment early in their lives, it is often possible for those individuals to lead significantly improved lives.

SCR 22 would increase public awareness about this disorder that impacts the daily lives of more than 3.5 million Americans. Individuals with autism often require a lifetime of specialized and community support services to ensure their health and safety. Autistic people, their families and their allies are fighting to increase awareness and understanding of autism around our state and our country. AFSCME encourages you to join them and pass SCR 22 in order increase public understanding of this disorder.

**Please join us in supporting Senate Concurrent Resolution 22**

Should you have any questions regarding our position in this matter, you may call me at your earliest convenience. AFSCME also reserves the right to change our position in the event of future amendments.

Sincerely,



Joshua Golka  
Legislative Affairs Manager, California



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May 4, 2017

Assemblymember Ken Cooley  
Chair, Assembly Committee on Rules  
State Capitol, Room 3016  
Sacramento, CA 95814

**RE: SCR 22 - SUPPORT**

Honorable Assemblymember Cooley:

The Association of Regional Center Agencies (ARCA) represents the network of 21 non-profit regional centers that coordinate services for, and advocate on behalf of, California's over 300,000 people with developmental disabilities.

On behalf of ARCA, I am pleased to express our ongoing support of SCR 22, Senator Hueso's resolution designating April as Autism Awareness Month.

Autism is rapidly becoming the most common developmental disability affecting people in California – and around the country. The unique services and supports to best address the needs of people so diagnosed can make a profound and positive difference in the lives of not only the individual, but their family, friends, and community.

Increasing awareness of this developmental disability, and the positive impact an appropriately-funded developmental services system can make in the lives of people with autism, is a worthy goal. We are grateful for the Senator's willingness to help advance awareness of this issue, and hope for your favorable consideration of SCR 22.

If you have any additional questions regarding our position, please do not hesitate to contact Daniel Savino in our office at [dsavino@arcenet.org](mailto:dsavino@arcenet.org) or (916) 446-7961.

Sincerely,

/s/Amy Westling  
Interim Executive Director

Cc: Michael Erke, Bill Referral Consultant, Assembly Committee on Rules  
Christopher Finarelli, Chief of Staff, Office of Assemblymember Cunningham  
Alexis Castro, Senate Fellow, Office of Senator Hueso





May 4, 2017

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

RE: SCR 22 – Support

Dear Assemblymember Cooley,

Autism Speaks is proud to support SCR 22, authored by Senator Ben Hueso, proclaiming the month of April Autism Awareness Month in California.

On April 2, 2017, people across the country and around the globe celebrated World Autism Day. It is a day of promise and a time for us to lend our hearts and minds to all who live with autism. As part of this global effort, Autism Speaks is proud to sponsor the seventh annual Light It Up Blue campaign. Autism Speaks was founded in February 2005 by Bob and Suzanne Wright, grandparents of a child with autism. Since then, Autism Speaks has grown into the nation's largest autism science and advocacy organization.

Light It Up Blue is a global initiative aiming to increase autism awareness by literally, lighting the world up blue. We want to thank the California Legislature for you for the continued support and commitment to increasing awareness of autism spectrum disorders and advocating for the needs of individuals with autism and their families.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Lorri Shealy Unumb".

Lorri Shealy Unumb  
Vice President, State Government Affairs





May 4, 2017

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

RE: SCR 22 – Support

Dear Assemblymember Cooley,

The Center for Autism and Related Disorders (CARD) is proud to support SCR 22 (Hueso), proclaiming the month of April Autism Awareness Month in California. CARD is one of the world's largest and most effective autism treatment providers offering evidence-based, state-of-the-art services to individuals of all ages.

The Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) estimates that 1 in 68 children in the United States will be identified with autism spectrum disorder (ASD). This new estimate is roughly 30 percent higher than previous estimates reported in 2012 of 1 in 88 children. On April 2, 2017, CARD will join organizations around the world to raise awareness for autism. While there is currently no cure for autism, early detection and intervention can result in critical improvements for many young children.

We want to thank Senator Hueso and the California Legislature for the continued support and commitment to increasing awareness of autism spectrum disorders and advocating for the needs of individuals with autism and their families.

Sincerely,

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AMENDED IN SENATE APRIL 17, 2017

**Senate Concurrent Resolution**

**No. 39**

**Introduced by Senators Atkins and McGuire**

**(Coauthors: Senators Allen, Bradford, Jackson, Moorlach, and Stern)**

**(Coauthors: Assembly Members Bloom, Gloria, Harper, Levine, and Wood)**

April 5, 2017

Senate Concurrent Resolution No. 39—Relative to Marine Mammal Rescue Day.

LEGISLATIVE COUNSEL'S DIGEST

SCR 39, as amended, Atkins. Marine Mammal Rescue Day.

This measure would recognize April 27, 2017, as Marine Mammal Rescue Day and would commend the Marine Mammal Stranding Network for its continued commitment to the rescue, rehabilitation, and return of animals residing off the California coast.

Fiscal committee: no.

- 1 WHEREAS, A record 6,000 stranded California sea lions, harbor
- 2 seals, elephant seals, and other mammals were rescued off the
- 3 California coast in 2015 and 2016; and
- 4 WHEREAS, National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration
- 5 Fisheries officially declared 2016 the continuation of an unusual
- 6 mortality event due to record numbers of marine mammal
- 7 strandings; and
- 8 WHEREAS, Since 2014, a mass of unusually warm water, which
- 9 has come to be known as “the Blob,” has hovered and swelled in
- 10 the Pacific Ocean off the west coast of North America, and has

1 played havoc with marine wildlife, water quality, and regional  
2 weather; and

3 WHEREAS, Researchers believe that warm water anomalies,  
4 such as El Niño storms and the Blob, as well as warming coastal  
5 waters, likely brought on by climate change, are impacting the  
6 availability of food for marine mammals and resulting in mass  
7 strandings; and

8 WHEREAS, The Northcoast Marine Mammal Center, the  
9 Marine Mammal Center, the Channel Islands Marine and Wildlife  
10 Institute, the California Wildlife Center, the Marine Mammal Care  
11 Center at Fort MacArthur, Los Angeles, the Marine Animal Rescue,  
12 the Pacific Marine Mammal Center, and SeaWorld San Diego all  
13 compose the California Marine Mammal Stranding Network, and  
14 work tirelessly with limited and donated resources to rescue and  
15 rehabilitate stranded marine mammals and conduct important  
16 research; and

17 WHEREAS, In 2016, thousands of these animals were  
18 successfully rehabilitated and returned to the ocean for a second  
19 chance at life; and

20 WHEREAS, The rescue and rehabilitation efforts of the Marine  
21 Mammal Stranding Network also contribute to research that helps  
22 the scientific community better understand ocean health and the  
23 cause of mass marine mammal strandings; and

24 WHEREAS, Spring marks the height of the animal rescue  
25 season; now, therefore, be it

26 *Resolved by the Senate of the State of California, the Assembly*  
27 *thereof concurring*, That the Legislature recognizes April 27, 2017,  
28 as Marine Mammal Rescue Day, and commends the Marine  
29 Mammal Stranding Network for its continued commitment to the  
30 rescue, rehabilitation, and return of animals residing off the  
31 California coast; and be it further

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

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Date of Hearing: May 8, 2017

ASSEMBLY COMMITTEE ON RULES  
Ken Cooley, Chair  
SCR 39 (Atkins) – As Amended April 17, 2017

**SENATE VOTE:** 37-0

**SUBJECT:** Marine Mammal Rescue Day

**SUMMARY:** Recognizes April 27, 2017, as Marine Mammal Rescue Day and commends the Marine Mammal Stranding Network for its commitment to the rescue, rehabilitation, and return of animals residing off the California coast. Specifically, **this resolution** makes the following legislative findings:

- 1) Between 2015 and 2016, a record 6,000 stranded California sea lions, harbor seals, elephant seals, and other mammals were rescued off the California coast.
- 2) National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration Fisheries officially declared 2016 the continuation of an unusual mortality event due to record numbers of marine mammal strandings.
- 3) Since 2014, a mass of unusually warm water, which has come to be known as “the Blob,” has hovered and swelled in the Pacific Ocean off the West coast of North America, and has played havoc with marine wildlife, water quality, and regional weather.
- 4) Researchers believe that warm water anomalies, such as El Niño storms and the Blob, as well as warming coastal waters, likely brought on by climate change, are impacting the availability of food for marine mammals and resulting in mass strandings.
- 5) In 2016, thousands of these animals were successfully rehabilitated and returned to the ocean for a second chance at life.
- 6) The rescue and rehabilitation efforts of the Marine Mammal Stranding Network also contribute to research that helps the scientific community better understand ocean health and the cause of mass marine mammal strandings.

**FISCAL EFFECT:** None

**REGISTERED SUPPORT / OPPOSITION:**

**Support**

None on file

**Opposition**

None on file

**Analysis Prepared by:** Nicole Willis / RLS. / (916) 319-2800

**Introduced by Senator Galgiani**

**(Coauthors: Senators Bates, Berryhill, Bradford, Dodd, Fuller,  
Glazer, Hertzberg, Monning, and Nguyen)**

**(Coauthors: Assembly Members Chávez, Dahle, Cristina Garcia, Kalra,  
Kiley, and Mathis)**

April 25, 2017

Senate Concurrent Resolution No. 45—Relative to peace officers.

LEGISLATIVE COUNSEL’S DIGEST

SCR 45, as introduced, Galgiani. California Peace Officers’ Memorial Day.

This measure would designate Monday, May 8, 2017, as California Peace Officers’ Memorial Day, urge all Californians to use that day to honor California peace officers, and recognize specified California peace officers who were killed in defense of their communities.

Fiscal committee: no.

- 1 WHEREAS, Monday, May 8, 2017, is California Peace Officers’
- 2 Memorial Day, a day Californians observe in commemoration of
- 3 those noble officers who have tragically sacrificed their lives in
- 4 the line of duty; and
- 5 WHEREAS, Although California citizens are indebted to our
- 6 California peace officers each day of the week, we make particular
- 7 note of their bravery and dedication and we share in their losses
- 8 on California Peace Officers’ Memorial Day; and
- 9 WHEREAS, California peace officers have a job second in
- 10 importance to none, and it is a job that is as difficult and dangerous
- 11 as it is important; and

1 WHEREAS, The peace officers of California have worked  
2 dutifully and selflessly on behalf of the people of this great state,  
3 regardless of the peril or hazard to themselves; and

4 WHEREAS, By the enforcement of our laws, these same officers  
5 have safeguarded the lives and property of the citizens of California  
6 and have given their full measure to ensure these citizens the right  
7 to be free from crime and violence; and

8 WHEREAS, Special ceremonies and observations on behalf of  
9 California peace officers provide all Californians with the  
10 opportunity to appreciate the heroic men and women who have  
11 dedicated their lives to preserving public safety; now, therefore,  
12 be it

13 *Resolved by the Senate of the State of California, the Assembly*  
14 *thereof concurring*, That the Legislature recognizes California's  
15 peace officers who were killed in defense of their communities in  
16 2016:

17 Deputy Sheriff Scott Ballantyne, Tulare County Sheriff's  
18 Department, End of Watch: February 10, 2016.

19 Officer Nathan Taylor, California Highway Patrol Gold Run  
20 Area, End of Watch: March 13, 2016.

21 Officer Jonathan "J.D." De Guzman, San Diego Police  
22 Department, End of Watch: July 28, 2016.

23 Sergeant Steve Owen, Los Angeles County Sheriff's Department,  
24 End of Watch: October 5, 2016.

25 Officer Jose Gilbert "Gil" Vega, Palm Springs Police  
26 Department, End of Watch: October 8, 2016.

27 Officer Lesley Zerebny, Palm Springs Police Department, End  
28 of Watch: October 8, 2016.

29 Deputy Sheriff Jack Hopkins, Modoc County Sheriff's  
30 Department, End of Watch: October 19, 2016.

31 Sergeant Alfonso Lopez, Los Angeles County Sheriff's  
32 Department, End of Watch: October 24, 2016.

33 Deputy Sheriff Dennis Wallace, Stanislaus County Sheriff's  
34 Department, End of Watch: November 13, 2016; and be it further

35 *Resolved*, That the Legislature also recognizes California's peace  
36 officers who were killed in defense of their communities in prior  
37 years, but not yet enrolled:

38 Officer Paul M. Carlisle, Oakland Police Department, End of  
39 Watch: December 1, 2015.

1 Sergeant Thomas J. Fonte, Los Angeles County Sheriff's  
2 Department, End of Watch: October 2, 1990.

3 Deputy Marshal Frederick F. Moore, Los Angeles County  
4 Sheriff's Department, End of Watch: January 16, 1947.

5 Constable Charles W. Winston, Los Angeles County Sheriff's  
6 Department, End of Watch: April 3, 1926.

7 Deputy Arthur J. Solomon, Los Angeles County Sheriff's  
8 Department, End of Watch: August 7, 1917; and be it further

9 *Resolved*, That the Legislature designates Monday, May 8, 2017,  
10 as California Peace Officers' Memorial Day, and urges all  
11 Californians to remember those individuals who have given their  
12 lives for our safety and express appreciation to those who continue  
13 to dedicate themselves to making California a safer place in which  
14 to live and raise our families; and be it further

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

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Date of Hearing: May 8, 2017

ASSEMBLY COMMITTEE ON RULES  
Ken Cooley, Chair  
SCR 45 (Galgiani) – As Introduced April 25, 2017

**SENATE VOTE:** 38-0

**SUBJECT:** California Peace Officers' Memorial Day

**SUMMARY:** Designates May 8, 2017, as California Peace Officers' Memorial Day and urges all Californians to use that day to honor California peace officers, and recognize specified California peace officers who were killed in defense of their communities. Specifically, **this resolution** makes the following legislative findings:

- 1) Monday, May 8, 2017, is California Peace Officers' Memorial Day, a day Californians observe in commemoration of those noble officers who have tragically sacrificed their lives in the line of duty.
- 2) California peace officers have a job second in importance to none, and it is a job that is as difficult and dangerous as it is important. The peace officers of California have worked dutifully and selflessly on behalf of the people of this great state, regardless of the peril or hazard to themselves.
- 3) By the enforcement of our laws, these same officers have safeguarded the lives and property of the citizens of California and have given their full measure to ensure these citizens the right to be free from crime and violence.
- 4) Special ceremonies and observations on behalf of California peace officers provide all Californians with the opportunity to appreciate the heroic men and women who have dedicated their lives to preserving public safety. The Legislature recognizes California's peace officers who were killed in defense of their communities in 2016:
  - Deputy Sheriff Scott Ballantyne, Tulare County Sheriff's Department, End of Watch: February 10, 2016.
  - Officer Nathan Taylor, California Highway Patrol Gold Run Area, End of Watch: March 13, 2016.
  - Officer Jonathan "J.D." De Guzman, San Diego Police Department, End of Watch: July 28, 2016.
  - Sergeant Steve Owen, Los Angeles County Sheriff's Department, End of Watch: October 5, 2016.
  - Officer Jose Gilbert "Gil" Vega, Palm Springs Police Department, End of Watch: October 8, 2016.



- Officer Lesley Zerebny, Palm Springs Police Department, End of Watch: October 8, 2016.
- Deputy Sheriff Jack Hopkins, Modoc County Sheriff's Department, End of Watch: October 19, 2016.
- Sergeant Alfonso Lopez, Los Angeles County Sheriff's Department, End of Watch: October 24, 2016.
- Deputy Sheriff Dennis Wallace, Stanislaus County Sheriff's Department, End of Watch: November 13, 2016.

The Legislature recognizes California's peace officers who were killed in defense of their communities in prior years, but not yet enrolled:

- Officer Paul M. Carlisle, Oakland Police Department, End of Watch: December 1, 2015.
- Sergeant Thomas J. Fonte, Los Angeles County Sheriff's Department, End of Watch: October 2, 1990.
- Deputy Marshal Frederick F. Moore, Los Angeles County Sheriff's Department, End of Watch: January 16, 1947.
- Constable Charles W. Winston, Los Angeles County Sheriff's Department, End of Watch: April 3, 1926.
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**FISCAL EFFECT:** None

**REGISTERED SUPPORT / OPPOSITION:**

**Support**

None on file

**Opposition**

None on file

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