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Thursday, September 2, 2021
Upon adjournment of Session
State Capitol, Room 437

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Memo

To: Rules Committee Members
From: Michael Erke, Bill Referral Consultant
Date: 9/2/2021
Re: Consent Bill Referrals

Attached is a list of bill referral recommendations.

REFERRAL OF BILLS TO COMMITTEE

09/02/2021

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

Assembly Bill No.	Committee:
<u>ACR 108</u>	RLS.
<u>ACR 109</u>	NAT. RES.
<u>AJR 19</u>	M. & V.A.
<u>AJR 20</u>	NAT. RES.
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<u>SCR 58</u>	RLS.

Assembly Concurrent Resolution

No. 108

Introduced by Assembly Member Lorena Gonzalez

August 30, 2021

Assembly Concurrent Resolution No. 108—Relative to Latina Equal Pay Day.

LEGISLATIVE COUNSEL’S DIGEST

ACR 108, as introduced, Lorena Gonzalez. Latina Equal Pay Day.

This measure would proclaim October 21, 2021, as Latina Equal Pay Day in California, in recognition of the need to eliminate the gender gap in earnings by women and to promote policies to ensure equal pay for all.

Fiscal committee: no.

- 1 WHEREAS, More than 50 years after the passing of the federal
2 Equal Pay Act, women, especially women of color, continue to
3 suffer the consequences of unequal pay; and
4 WHEREAS, According to the United States Census Bureau,
5 Latina women make 55 cents for every dollar a white male is paid;
6 and
7 WHEREAS, Latinas are the fastest growing demographic, with
8 30.6 million Latinas making up 9.4 percent of the total United
9 States population; and
10 WHEREAS, Twelve million two hundred thousand Latinas
11 make up 7.4 percent of the United States. labor force and are
12 projected to represent 9.3 percent of the labor force from
13 2019–2029, inclusive; and

1 WHEREAS, Nearly four in 10 mothers are the primary
2 breadwinners in their households, and nearly two-thirds of mothers
3 are the primary or significant earners, making pay equity critical
4 to the financial security of their families; and

5 WHEREAS, A lifetime of lower pay means women have less
6 income to save for retirement and less income counted in a Social
7 Security or pension benefit formula; and

8 WHEREAS, One in 5 people in the state of California is Latina;
9 and

10 WHEREAS, Latinas earn 42 cents on the dollar compared to
11 their white male peers in California; and

12 WHEREAS, Latinas in California would have to work until 116
13 years of age to earn what a white male earns by 60 years of age
14 due to the wage gap; and

15 WHEREAS, The lifetime cost of the wage gap over a 40-year
16 career for the average Latina in California is \$1,787,640 compared
17 to their white male peer; and

18 WHEREAS, According to the National Women's Law Center,
19 California's Latina wage gap is ranked the highest at #51 in the
20 country, with a 58-cent gap; and

21 WHEREAS, Fair pay in California would strengthen the security
22 of individuals and families today, regardless of education or
23 socioeconomic status, while enhancing our statewide economy;
24 and

25 WHEREAS, October 21 symbolizes the day in 2021 when the
26 wages paid to Latina women catch up to the wages paid to white
27 males from the previous year nationwide; now, therefore, be it

28 *Resolved by the Assembly of the State of California, the Senate*
29 *thereof concurring*, That the Legislature proclaims October 21,
30 2021, as Latina Equal Pay Day in California, in recognition of the
31 need to eliminate the gender gap in earnings by women and to
32 promote policies to ensure equal pay for all; and be it further

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

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Date of Hearing: September 2, 2021

ASSEMBLY COMMITTEE ON RULES
Ken Cooley, Chair
ACR 108 (Lorena Gonzalez) – As Introduced August 30, 2021

SUBJECT: Latina Equal Pay Day.

SUMMARY: Proclaims October 21, 2021, as Latina Equal Pay Day in California, in recognition of the need to eliminate the gender gap in earnings by women and to promote policies to ensure equal pay for all. Specifically, **this resolution** makes the following legislative findings:

- 1) More than 50 years after the passing of the federal Equal Pay Act, women, especially women of color, continue to suffer the consequences of unequal pay. According to the United States Census Bureau, Latina women make 55 cents for every dollar a white male is paid.
- 2) Twelve million two hundred thousand Latinas make up 7.4 percent of the United States labor force and are projected to represent 9.3 percent of the labor force from 2019–2029, inclusive.
- 3) Nearly four in 10 mothers are the primary breadwinners in their households, and nearly two-thirds of mothers are the primary or significant earners, making pay equity critical to the financial security of their families.
- 4) A lifetime of lower pay means women have less income to save for retirement and less income counted in a Social Security or pension benefit formula.
- 5) California's Latina wage gap is ranked the highest at #51 in the country, with a 58-cent gap. Latinas in California would have to work until 116 years of age to earn what a white male earns by 60 years of age due to the wage gap.
- 6) Fair pay in California would strengthen the security of individuals and families today, regardless of education or socioeconomic status, while enhancing our statewide economy.
- 7) October 21 symbolizes the day in 2021 when the wages paid to Latina women catch up to the wages paid to white males from the previous year nationwide.

FISCAL EFFECT: None

REGISTERED SUPPORT / OPPOSITION:

Support

None on file

Opposition

None on file

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

House Resolution

No. 72

Introduced by Assembly Member Gabriel

August 30, 2021

House Resolution No. 72—Relative to the Jewish High Holidays.

1 WHEREAS, California is home to a diverse and vibrant Jewish
2 community that includes Jews from all backgrounds, including
3 Mizrahi, Sephardic, and Ashkenazi; and

4 WHEREAS, A recent study showed that 17% of Jews surveyed,
5 including 29% of Jewish adults under the age of 30, live in
6 households in which at least one member is Black, Hispanic, Asian,
7 some other non-White race or ethnicity, or multiracial; and

8 WHEREAS, Jewish Californians have inextricably woven their
9 experience and their accomplishments into the fabric of our state's
10 identity. Generations of Jewish people have come to this state
11 fleeing oppression, discrimination, and persecution in search of a
12 better life for themselves and their children. These Jewish
13 Americans have created lives for themselves and their families
14 and played indispensable roles in the civic and community life,
15 making invaluable contributions to our state through their
16 leadership and achievements; and

17 WHEREAS, The Jewish community in the County of Los
18 Angeles comprises approximately 5.3% of the county's population,
19 making that Jewish community the largest in the world outside of
20 New York City and Israel. There are Jewish communities
21 represented in all cities throughout California, including large
22 metropolitan areas like the Cities of San Francisco, Los Angeles,
23 and San Diego and smaller rural communities like the central
24 valley; and

1 WHEREAS, There are approximately 1,174,000 Jews in
2 California; and

3 WHEREAS, In 2021, the High Holidays recognized and
4 celebrated by the Jewish people in California and around the world
5 will begin on September 6, 2021, with Rosh Hashanah, and
6 conclude on Thursday, September 16, 2021, with Yom Kippur;
7 and

8 WHEREAS, Rosh Hashanah, the Jewish New Year, begins at
9 sundown on September 6, 2021, the first day of Tishri, 5782 on
10 the Hebrew calendar; and

11 WHEREAS, Rosh Hashanah is also known as “Yom Teruah,”
12 the Day of Sounding of the Shofar, the ancient ram’s horn; and

13 WHEREAS, Rosh Hashanah means “head of the year” and is
14 the Jewish New Year. It is a time of inner renewal and divine
15 atonement; and

16 WHEREAS, The traditional greeting for Rosh Hashanah in
17 Hebrew is “Shana Tova u’Metukah,” which means “have a happy
18 and sweet new year”; and

19 WHEREAS, Yom Kippur, the Day of Atonement, begins at
20 sundown on September 16, 2021, the 10th day of Tishri, 5782 on
21 the Hebrew calendar, and is the holiest day of the year for the
22 Jewish people, who spend the day praying united as one people;
23 and

24 WHEREAS, The traditional greeting for Yom Kippur in Hebrew
25 is “G’mar Hatima Tova,” which means “may you be inscribed in
26 the Book of Life,” and is an offering of a healthy, peaceful, and
27 fulfilling year; now, therefore, be it

28 *Resolved by the Assembly of the State of California*, That the
29 Assembly demonstrates solidarity with, and support for, members
30 of the Jewish community in California; and be it further

31 *Resolved*, The Assembly recognizes and celebrates the many
32 accomplishments and contributions of the Jewish community in
33 California; and be it further

34 *Resolved*, The Assembly recommits to combating all forms of
35 antisemitism, which threaten Jews and non-Jews alike; and be it
36 further

37 *Resolved*, That the Assembly wishes the Jewish people of
38 California and around the world a “Chag Sameach” (“happy
39 holidays” in Hebrew) and a sweet new year full of peace and
40 prosperity; and be it further

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

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Date of Hearing: September 2, 2021

ASSEMBLY COMMITTEE ON RULES
Ken Cooley, Chair
HR 72 (Gabriel) – As Introduced August 30, 2021

SUBJECT: the Jewish High Holidays.

SUMMARY: Recognizes the 2021 Jewish High Holidays, and wishes the Jewish people of California and around the world a “Chag Sameach” and a sweet new year full of peace and prosperity. Specifically, **this resolution** makes the following legislative findings:

- 1) In 2021, the High Holidays recognized and celebrated by the Jewish people in California and around the world will begin on September 6, 2021, with Rosh Hashanah, and conclude on Thursday, September 16, 2021, with Yom Kippur.
- 2) Rosh Hashanah, the Jewish New Year, begins at sundown on September 6, 2021, the first day of Tishri.
- 3) Yom Kippur, the Day of Atonement, begins at sundown on September 16, 2021, the 10th day of Tishri, and is the holiest day of the year for the Jewish people, who spend the day praying united as one people.
- 4) California is home to a diverse and vibrant Jewish community that includes Jews from all backgrounds, including Mizrahi, Sephardic, and Ashkenazi. There are approximately 1,174,000 Jews in California.
- 5) A recent study showed that 17% of Jews surveyed, including 29% of Jewish adults under the age of 30, live in households in which at least one member is Black, Hispanic, Asian, some other non-White race or ethnicity, or multiracial.
- 6) Jewish Californians have inextricably woven their experience and their accomplishments into the fabric of our state’s identity. Generations of Jewish people have come to this state fleeing oppression, discrimination, and persecution in search of a better life for themselves and their children. These Jewish Americans have created lives for themselves and their families and played indispensable roles in the civic and community life, making invaluable contributions to our state through their leadership and achievements.
- 7) The Jewish community in the County of Los Angeles comprises approximately 5.3% of the county’s population, making that Jewish community the largest in the world outside of New York City and Israel. There are Jewish communities represented in all cities throughout California, including large metropolitan areas like the Cities of San Francisco, Los Angeles, and San Diego and smaller rural communities like the central valley.

FISCAL EFFECT: None

REGISTERED SUPPORT / OPPOSITION:

Support

None on file

Opposition

None on file

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

House Resolution

No. 73

Introduced by Assembly Member Nguyen

August 31, 2021

House Resolution No. 73—Relative to Republic of Vietnam Month.

1 WHEREAS, The people of the Republic of Vietnam (South
2 Vietnam) and the United States found common ground in their
3 shared principles of democracy and individual liberties, coming
4 together to valiantly defend these tenets against communism; and
5 WHEREAS, October 2021 marks the 65th anniversary of the
6 adoption of the first Constitution of the Republic of Vietnam,
7 which established that nation’s first democracy; and
8 WHEREAS, Until the Fall of Saigon in 1975, the government
9 of the Republic of Vietnam sought to defend the lives, freedom,
10 and property of its people and was at the forefront of the fight for
11 democracy in Southeast Asia; and
12 WHEREAS, In an effort to protect the democratic government
13 of the Republic of Vietnam from socialist control, the United
14 States, Australia, the Philippines, New Zealand, South Korea,
15 Taiwan, and Thailand fought vigorously to aid the Republic of
16 Vietnam in their fight against communism; and
17 WHEREAS, Despite a valiant effort from countries around the
18 world, Saigon fell, compelling nearly three million Vietnamese to
19 flee the country in search of freedom and refuge in neighboring
20 countries with approximately one-half of these individuals
21 perishing at sea before reaching a safe haven; and
22 WHEREAS, The United States welcomed many Vietnamese
23 refugees following the collapse of the Republic of Vietnam, and
24 today, the State of California is home to more than 500,000

1 Vietnamese Americans that enrich the social, cultural, and
2 economic fabric of our state through their significant contributions
3 to the fields of education, business, politics, arts, science, and
4 technology; and

5 WHEREAS, Today, the Vietnamese American community
6 throughout California and the United States remains vigilant of
7 the state of affairs of the Socialist Republic of Vietnam due to its
8 continuous infringement upon the liberties of its people,
9 specifically in the areas of child labor, human trafficking, religious
10 and political persecution, suppression of the press, unlawful
11 deprivation of life, forced disappearances, and land seizure; and

12 WHEREAS, Vietnamese American communities throughout
13 California and the United States continue to put pressure on the
14 government of the Socialist Republic of Vietnam with the hope
15 of bringing freedom and democracy to the people of Vietnam,
16 improving the quality of life of the veterans and disabled veterans
17 of the Army of the Republic of Vietnam, and drawing attention to
18 the plight of the wives of the fallen soldiers who continue to suffer;
19 and

20 WHEREAS, For their brave resolution to defend freedom around
21 the world, Republic of Vietnam Month also seeks to recognize the
22 sacrifice of the more than 58,000 American service members who
23 lost their lives to defend democracy in Vietnam, as well as the
24 more than one million people, including service members,
25 supporting personnel, and their families, who made great sacrifices
26 and contributions to the fight for freedom; and

27 WHEREAS, Republic of Vietnam Month also honors the
28 members of the Army of the Republic of Vietnam and government
29 officials, many of whom perished or were captured and held in
30 communist labor camps where they suffered unspeakable abuses,
31 as well as to recognize the sacrifice of their families, especially
32 the wives who displayed admirable courage in the face of tragedy;
33 and

34 WHEREAS, To honor the great sacrifices made in the fight for
35 democracy, communities throughout California will dedicate the
36 month of October as a time to reflect on principles of freedom and
37 democracy and the sacrifices that have been made towards the
38 attainment of these ideals, as well as to commemorate the
39 anniversary of the first democracy of the Republic of Vietnam and

1 to thank the millions of veterans around the world who fought
2 during the Vietnam War; now, therefore, be it

3 *Resolved by the Assembly of the State of California*, That the
4 Assembly hereby proclaims the month of October 2021 as Republic
5 of Vietnam Month, in commemoration of the 65th anniversary of
6 the adoption of the first Constitution of the Republic of Vietnam,
7 in honor of the lives lost for freedom and democracy during the
8 Vietnam War, and in recognition of the positive contributions of
9 Vietnamese Americans to the State of California; 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: September 2, 2021

ASSEMBLY COMMITTEE ON RULES
Ken Cooley, Chair
HR 73 (Nguyen) – As Introduced August 31, 2021

SUBJECT: Republic of Vietnam Month.

SUMMARY: Proclaims the month of October 2021 as Republic of Vietnam Month, in commemoration of the 65th anniversary of the adoption of the first Constitution of the Republic of Vietnam, in honor of the lives lost for freedom and democracy during the Vietnam War, and in recognition of the positive contributions of Vietnamese Americans to the State of California. Specifically, **this resolution** makes the following legislative findings:

- 1) The people of the Republic of Vietnam (South Vietnam) and the United States found common ground in their shared principles of democracy and individual liberties, coming together to valiantly defend these tenets against communism.
- 2) Until the Fall of Saigon in 1975, the government of the Republic of Vietnam sought to defend the lives, freedom, and property of its people and was at the forefront of the fight for democracy in Southeast Asia.
- 3) In an effort to protect the democratic government of the Republic of Vietnam from socialist control, the United States, Australia, the Philippines, New Zealand, South Korea, Taiwan, and Thailand fought vigorously to aid the Republic of Vietnam in their fight against communism.
- 4) The United States welcomed many Vietnamese refugees following the collapse of the Republic of Vietnam. Today, the State of California is home to more than 500,000 Vietnamese Americans that enrich the social, cultural, and economic fabric of our state through their significant contributions to the fields of education, business, politics, arts, science, and technology.
- 5) Republic of Vietnam Month seeks to recognize the sacrifice of the more than 58,000 American service members who lost their lives to defend democracy in Vietnam, as well as the more than one million people, including service members, supporting personnel, and their families, who made great sacrifices and contributions to the fight for freedom.
- 6) Republic of Vietnam Month also honors the members of the Army of the Republic of Vietnam and government officials, many of whom perished or were captured and held in communist labor camps where they suffered unspeakable abuses, as well as to recognize the sacrifice of their families, especially the wives who displayed admirable courage in the face of tragedy.
- 7) To honor the great sacrifices made in the fight for democracy, communities throughout California will dedicate the month of October as a time to reflect on principles of freedom and democracy and the sacrifices that have been made towards the attainment of these ideals; and, to commemorate the anniversary of the first democracy of the Republic of Vietnam and to thank the millions of veterans around the world who fought during the Vietnam War.

- 8) October 2021 marks the 65th anniversary of the adoption of the first Constitution of the Republic of Vietnam, which established that nation's first democracy.

FISCAL EFFECT: None

REGISTERED SUPPORT / OPPOSITION:

Support

None on file

Opposition

None on file

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

House Resolution

No. 74

Introduced by Assembly Member Akilah Weber

September 1, 2021

House Resolution No. 74—Relative to health misinformation.

1 WHEREAS, Health misinformation has significantly
2 undermined public health efforts, and the unmitigated proliferation
3 of health misinformation has created a culture of mistrust and has
4 prolonged the COVID-19 pandemic, endangering the health and
5 safety of all Californians; and

6 WHEREAS, The COVID-19 pandemic has resulted in 4,222,663
7 confirmed cases and 65,287 confirmed deaths in the State of
8 California, as of August 31, 2021; and

9 WHEREAS, The spread of COVID-19 has had a devastating
10 impact on our health and safety, our statewide, regional, and local
11 economies, our communities of color, the educational development
12 of our children, and every aspect of our lives; and

13 WHEREAS, The COVID-19 vaccines available under
14 emergency use authorization have met the rigorous scientific
15 standards set forth by the United States Food and Drug
16 Administration (FDA) for safety, effectiveness, and manufacturing
17 quality, and have demonstrated that their benefits outweigh their
18 risks; and

19 WHEREAS, The Pfizer-BioNTech COVID-19 vaccine has
20 received full FDA approval and has been proven to be highly
21 effective in preventing serious disease, hospitalization, and death
22 from COVID-19; and

23 WHEREAS, These COVID-19 vaccines are available to eligible
24 Californians at no out-of-pocket cost, regardless of income, and

1 are administered by health care professionals, including nurses
2 and physicians; and

3 WHEREAS, Misinformation has caused confusion and
4 nationally has led to many eligible individuals declining COVID-19
5 vaccines, rejecting public health measures relating to masking or
6 physical distancing, and using unproven treatments; and

7 WHEREAS, On July 15, 2021, the United States Surgeon
8 General issued an advisory and statement describing the “urgent
9 threat” posed by the rise of false information about COVID-19 –
10 a threat that continues to put “lives at risk” and prolong the
11 pandemic; and

12 WHEREAS, Recent surges in COVID-19 infections and
13 hospitalizations have highlighted the importance of clear and
14 unequivocal communications from public officials that authorized
15 or approved vaccines are the best protection against severe illness
16 and hospitalization; now, therefore, be it

17 *Resolved by the Assembly of the State of California*, That health
18 misinformation is declared a public health crisis, and that the State
19 of California is urged to commit to appropriately combating health
20 misinformation and curbing the spread of falsehoods that threaten
21 the health and safety of Californians; and be it further

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

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Date of Hearing: September 2, 2021

ASSEMBLY COMMITTEE ON RULES
Ken Cooley, Chair
HR 74 (Akilah Weber) – As Introduced September 1, 2021

SUBJECT: health misinformation.

SUMMARY: Declares that health misinformation is a public health crisis and that the State of California is urged to commit to appropriately combating health misinformation and curbing the spread of falsehoods that threaten the health and safety of Californians. Specifically, **this resolution** makes the following legislative findings:

- 1) Health misinformation has significantly undermined public health efforts, and the unmitigated proliferation of health misinformation has created a culture of mistrust and has prolonged the COVID-19 pandemic, endangering the health and safety of all Californians.
- 2) The COVID-19 pandemic has resulted in 4,222,663 confirmed cases and 65,287 confirmed deaths in the State of California, as of August 31, 2021.
- 3) The spread of COVID-19 has had a devastating impact on our health and safety, our statewide, regional, and local economies, our communities of color, the educational development of our children, and every aspect of our lives.
- 4) The COVID-19 vaccines available under emergency use authorization have met the rigorous scientific standards set forth by the United States Food and Drug Administration (FDA) for safety, effectiveness, and manufacturing quality, and have demonstrated that their benefits outweigh their risks.
- 5) The Pfizer-BioNTech COVID-19 vaccine has received full FDA approval and has been proven to be highly effective in preventing serious disease, hospitalization, and death from COVID-19.
- 6) These COVID-19 vaccines are available to eligible Californians at no out-of-pocket cost, regardless of income, and are administered by health care professionals, including nurses and physicians.
- 7) Misinformation has caused confusion and nationally has led to many eligible individuals declining COVID-19 vaccines, rejecting public health measures relating to masking or physical distancing, and using unproven treatments.
- 8) On July 15, 2021, the United States Surgeon General issued an advisory and statement describing the “urgent threat” posed by the rise of false information about COVID-19 – a threat that continues to put “lives at risk” and prolong the pandemic.
- 9) Recent surges in COVID-19 infections and hospitalizations have highlighted the importance of clear and unequivocal communications from public officials that authorized or approved vaccines are the best protection against severe illness and hospitalization.

FISCAL EFFECT: None

REGISTERED SUPPORT / OPPOSITION:

Support

None on file

Opposition

None on file

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

House Resolution

No. 75

Introduced by Assembly Member Patterson

September 2, 2021

House Resolution No. 75—Relative to Court Adoption and Permanency Month.

1 WHEREAS, Consistent with its commitment to support practices
2 and procedures that promote access to justice and improved case
3 outcomes for California’s children and families, the Judicial
4 Council has recognized November as Court Adoption and
5 Permanency Month every year since 1999; and

6 WHEREAS, 434,645 incidents of child abuse and neglect were
7 reported in the 2019–20 fiscal year and 20,111 children entered
8 child welfare-supervised foster care for the first time in California,
9 a 10-percent reduction in entries compared to 10 years ago; and

10 WHEREAS, Some 60,000 children in California continue to
11 live apart from their families in child welfare-supervised
12 out-of-home care, and over 40 percent of the children in foster
13 care in California still live apart from their families for two or
14 more years; and

15 WHEREAS, Despite the disruptions to court operations and
16 safety emergencies created by the COVID-19 pandemic, California
17 courts still achieved permanency for over 20,000 children via
18 reunification, adoption, and dismissal of jurisdiction to
19 guardianships during the 2019–20 fiscal year; and

20 WHEREAS, The percentage of foster children who exit foster
21 care through adoption is 23 percent, and over 5,600 adoptions from
22 foster care were finalized in 2020 despite the pandemic disruptions;
23 and

1 WHEREAS, Over 2,460 foster children were in group homes
2 or shelters in July 2020 rather than with relatives or in home-like
3 settings, a decrease of 35 percent compared to July 2010; and

4 WHEREAS, While progress has been made, much work still
5 needs to be done to improve the lives of children and families in
6 the child welfare system; and

7 WHEREAS, Local courts and communities throughout
8 California have created programs promoting permanency that have
9 resulted in a reduction in the number of children waiting to live in
10 safe, stable, and permanent homes; and

11 WHEREAS, The Judicial Council remains committed to working
12 with the Governor, the Legislature, and local courts and
13 communities to ensure that every abused or neglected child finds
14 a safe, stable, and permanent home with a loving family as quickly
15 as possible; now, therefore, be it

16 *Resolved by the Assembly of the State of California*, That the
17 Assembly declares November 2021 as Court Adoption and
18 Permanency Month, and encourages the courts and their
19 communities to join in activities to promote permanency; and be
20 it further

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

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Date of Hearing: September 2, 2021

ASSEMBLY COMMITTEE ON RULES
Ken Cooley, Chair
HR 75 (Patterson) – As Introduced September 2, 2021

SUBJECT: Court Adoption and Permanency Month.

SUMMARY: Declares November 2021 as Court Adoption and Permanency Month, and encourages the courts and their communities to join in activities to promote permanency. Specifically, **this resolution** makes the following legislative findings:

- 1) Consistent with its commitment to support practices and procedures that promote access to justice and improved case outcomes for California’s children and families, the Judicial Council has recognized November as Court Adoption and Permanency Month every year since 1999.
- 2) 434,645 incidents of child abuse and neglect were reported in the 2019–20 fiscal year and 20,111 children entered child welfare-supervised foster care for the first time in California, a 10-percent reduction in entries compared to 10 years ago.
- 3) Some 60,000 children in California continue to live apart from their families in child welfare-supervised out-of-home care, and over 40 percent of the children in foster care in California still live apart from their families for two or more years.
- 4) Despite the disruptions to court operations and safety emergencies created by the COVID-19 pandemic, California courts still achieved permanency for over 20,000 children via reunification, adoption, and dismissal of jurisdiction to guardianships during the 2019–20 fiscal year.
- 5) The percentage of foster children who exit foster care through adoption is 23 percent, and over 5,600 adoptions from foster care were finalized in 2020 despite the pandemic disruptions.
- 6) Over 2,460 foster children were in group homes or shelters in July 2020 rather than with relatives or in home-like settings, a decrease of 35 percent compared to July 2010.
- 7) While progress has been made, much work still needs to be done to improve the lives of children and families in the child welfare system.
- 8) Local courts and communities throughout California have created programs promoting permanency that have resulted in a reduction in the number of children waiting to live in safe, stable, and permanent homes.

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 Hurtado

(Coauthors: Senators Caballero, Grove, Kamlager, Leyva, Limón, Melendez, Ochoa Bogh, Rubio, and Skinner)

(Coauthors: Assembly Members Aguiar-Curry, Bauer-Kahan, Cervantes, Cristina Garcia, Nguyen, Quirk-Silva, and Waldron)

August 16, 2021

Senate Concurrent Resolution No. 55—Relative to Breastfeeding Awareness Month of 2021.

LEGISLATIVE COUNSEL’S DIGEST

SCR 55, as introduced, Hurtado. Breastfeeding Awareness Month of 2021.

This measure would proclaim August 2021 as Breastfeeding Awareness Month of 2021 in California. The measure would recognize the unique benefits that breastfeeding provides, as specified, and would affirm that Californians should work to ensure that barriers to initiation and continuation of breastfeeding are removed. The measure would encourage Californians to work together to explore ways to, among other things, improve women’s access to breastfeeding support services in medical, social, and employment settings.

Fiscal committee: no.

1 WHEREAS, Breastfeeding is an issue of great importance to
2 women, infants, their families, and their physicians and is,
3 therefore, of interest to the Legislature; and

4 WHEREAS, It is the first food system that, as babies, many
5 humans are introduced to and sustained by; and

6 WHEREAS, The American Academy of Pediatrics, the
7 American College of Obstetricians and Gynecologists, the

1 American Academy of Family Physicians, the Academy of
2 Breastfeeding Medicine, and the World Health Organization
3 recommend that babies be exclusively breastfed for the first 6
4 month of age and continue to be breastfed until 12 months of age
5 or longer as mutually desired; and

6 WHEREAS, In January 2011, the United States Surgeon General
7 announced a “Call to Action to Support Breastfeeding” that
8 identifies barriers to optimal breastfeeding in health care practices,
9 employment, communities, research, public health infrastructure,
10 and social networks, while also recommending methods in which
11 families, communities, employers, and health care professionals
12 could help to eliminate those barriers to improve breastfeeding
13 rates and increase support for breastfeeding; and

14 WHEREAS, Research shows that human milk and breastfeeding
15 provide advantages to general health, growth, and development
16 while significantly decreasing the risk of a large number of acute
17 and chronic diseases, including, among others, sudden infant death
18 syndrome, asthma, allergies, diabetes, viral and bacterial infections,
19 childhood obesity, childhood leukemia, necrotizing enterocolitis,
20 and infant mortality; and

21 WHEREAS, Mothers who breastfeed have a decreased risk of
22 breast, uterine, and ovarian cancer, postpartum depression, and
23 osteoporosis later in life; and

24 WHEREAS, The nutrients exclusive to human milk are vital to
25 the growth, development, and maintenance of the human brain
26 and cannot be manufactured; and

27 WHEREAS, Breastfeeding has positive economic impacts on
28 families by decreasing the need to pay for medical care for a sick
29 infant and by eliminating the need to purchase infant formula; and

30 WHEREAS, The health benefits to breastfed children and their
31 mothers result in lower health care costs for employers, less
32 employee time off to care for sick children, and higher productivity
33 and employee loyalty; and

34 WHEREAS, Employers, employees, and society benefit by
35 supporting a mother’s decision to breastfeed and by helping to
36 reduce the obstacles to initiating and continuing breastfeeding;
37 now, therefore, be it

38 *Resolved*, by the Senate of the State of California, the Assembly
39 thereof concurring, That the Legislature hereby proclaims the

1 month of August 2021 as Breastfeeding Awareness Month of 2021
2 in California; and be it further

3 *Resolved*, That the Legislature recognizes the unique health,
4 economic, and societal benefits that breastfeeding provides to
5 babies, mothers, families, and the community as a whole and
6 affirms that Californians should work to ensure that barriers to
7 initiation and continuation of breastfeeding are removed; and be
8 it further

9 *Resolved*, That the Legislature encourages Californians to work
10 together to explore ways to improve women's access to
11 breastfeeding support services in medical, social, and employment
12 settings, to facilitate increased awareness and education about
13 breastfeeding, to explore and encourage the use of breastfeeding
14 supports, and to improve the availability of effective breastfeeding
15 resources and community support services; and be it further

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

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Date of Hearing: September 2, 2021

ASSEMBLY COMMITTEE ON RULES
Ken Cooley, Chair
SCR 55 (Hurtado) – As Introduced August 16, 2021

SENATE VOTE: 39-0

SUBJECT: Breastfeeding Awareness Month of 2021.

SUMMARY: Proclaims the month of August 2021 as Breastfeeding Awareness Month of 2021 in California, and recognizes the unique health, economic, and societal benefits that breastfeeding provides to babies, mothers, families, and the community as a whole. Specifically, **this resolution** makes the following legislative findings:

- 1) Breastfeeding is an issue of great importance to women, infants, their families, and their physicians and is, therefore, of interest to the Legislature. It is the first food system that, as babies, many humans are introduced to and sustained by.
- 2) The American Academy of Pediatrics, the American College of Obstetricians and Gynecologists, the American Academy of Family Physicians, the Academy of Breastfeeding Medicine, and the World Health Organization recommend that babies be exclusively breastfed for the first 6 months of age and continue to be breastfed until 12 months of age or longer as mutually desired.
- 3) Research shows that human milk and breastfeeding provide advantages to general health, growth, and development while significantly decreasing the risk of a large number of acute and chronic diseases, including, among others, sudden infant death syndrome, asthma, allergies, diabetes, viral and bacterial infections, childhood obesity, childhood leukemia, necrotizing enterocolitis, and infant mortality.
- 4) Mothers who breastfeed have a decreased risk of breast, uterine, and ovarian cancer, postpartum depression, and osteoporosis later in life. The nutrients exclusive to human milk are vital to the growth, development, and maintenance of the human brain and cannot be manufactured.
- 5) Breastfeeding has positive economic impacts on families by decreasing the need to pay for medical care for a sick infant and by eliminating the need to purchase infant formula.
- 6) The health benefits to breastfed children and their mothers result in lower health care costs for employers, less employee time off to care for sick children, and higher productivity and employee loyalty.
- 7) Employers, employees, and society benefit by supporting a mother's decision to breastfeed and by helping to reduce the obstacles to initiating and continuing breastfeeding.

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 Melendez
(Coauthor: Senator Ochoa Bogh)**

August 16, 2021

Senate Concurrent Resolution No. 56—Relative to blood cancer and blood donation awareness.

LEGISLATIVE COUNSEL’S DIGEST

SCR 56, as introduced, Melendez. Blood cancer and blood donation awareness.

This measure would designate the month of September 2021 as Leukemia, Lymphoma, and Myeloma Awareness Month and Blood Cancer Awareness Month and the first week of September 2021 as Blood Donation Week.

Fiscal committee: no.

- 1 WHEREAS, According to the Leukemia & Lymphoma Society,
2 blood cancers currently afflict more than 1,399,180 Americans,
3 with an estimated 176,200 new cases diagnosed each year; and
4 WHEREAS, The United States Department of Veterans Affairs
5 has recognized certain cancers and other health problems as
6 presumptive diseases associated with exposure to Agent Orange
7 or other herbicides during military service, including multiple
8 myeloma, a cancer of plasma cells; and
9 WHEREAS, Myelofibrosis is an uncommon type of bone
10 marrow cancer that is considered to be a chronic leukemia; and
11 WHEREAS, The Leukemia & Lymphoma Society estimated
12 that leukemia, lymphoma, and myeloma would kill an estimated
13 56,770 people in the United States in 2019; and

1 WHEREAS, The Leukemia & Lymphoma Society, through
2 voluntary contributions, is dedicated to finding cures for these
3 diseases through research efforts and the support of those who
4 suffer from these diseases; and

5 WHEREAS, The State of California is similarly committed to
6 the eradication of these diseases and supports the treatment of its
7 citizens who suffer from them; and

8 WHEREAS, The State of California encourages efforts to
9 enhance research funding and education programs that address
10 these diseases; and

11 WHEREAS, The State of California is grateful for healthcare
12 workers who assist with blood cancer patients and blood donations
13 and researchers working to find cures for diseases impacting the
14 blood; and

15 WHEREAS, Donated blood helps trauma and burn patients,
16 premature infants, heart surgery patients, organ transplant
17 recipients, and those fighting cancer, among others;

18 WHEREAS, New blood and bone marrow donors are needed
19 every day to replace those who can no longer donate; now,
20 therefore, be it

21 *Resolved by the Senate of the State of California, the Assembly*
22 *thereof concurring*, That the Legislature declares the month of
23 September 2021 as “Leukemia, Lymphoma, and Myeloma
24 Awareness Month” and “Blood Cancer Awareness Month”; and
25 be it further,

26 *Resolved*, That the first week in September be known as “Blood
27 Donation Week” to encourage participation in voluntary activities
28 to donate blood and bone marrow; and be it further,

29 *Resolved*, That “Leukemia, Lymphoma, and Myeloma
30 Awareness Month,” “Blood Cancer Awareness Month,” and
31 “Blood Donation Week,” be used to educate Californians about
32 the importance of donating blood and bone marrow and to
33 recognize the research programs being used to find a cure for these
34 diseases; and be it further,

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

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Date of Hearing: September 2, 2021

ASSEMBLY COMMITTEE ON RULES
Ken Cooley, Chair
SCR 56 (Melendez) – As Introduced August 16, 2021

SENATE VOTE: 39-0

SUBJECT: Blood cancer and blood donation awareness.

SUMMARY: Designates the month of September 2021 as Leukemia, Lymphoma, and Myeloma Awareness Month and Blood Cancer Awareness Month and designates the first week of September 2021 as Blood Donation Week. Specifically, **this resolution** makes the following legislative findings:

- 1) Blood cancers currently afflict more than 1,399,180 Americans, with an estimated 176,200 new cases diagnosed each year.
- 2) The Leukemia & Lymphoma Society estimated that leukemia, lymphoma, and myeloma would kill an estimated 56,770 people in the United States in 2019. They are dedicated to finding cures for these diseases through research efforts and to the support of those who suffer from these diseases.
- 3) The State of California is similarly committed to the eradication of these diseases and supports the treatment of its citizens who suffer from them.
- 4) The State of California encourages efforts to enhance research funding and education programs that address these diseases and is grateful for healthcare workers who assist with blood cancer patients and blood donations and researchers working to find cures for diseases impacting the blood.
- 5) Donated blood helps trauma and burn patients, premature infants, heart surgery patients, organ transplant recipients, and those fighting cancer, among others. New blood and bone marrow donors are needed every day to replace those who can no longer donate.

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 Hurtado

August 18, 2021

Senate Concurrent Resolution No. 57—Relative to Runaway and Homeless Youth Prevention Month.

LEGISLATIVE COUNSEL’S DIGEST

SCR 57, as introduced, Hurtado. Runaway and Homeless Youth Prevention Month.

This measure would designate November 2021 as Runaway and Homeless Youth Prevention Month and recognize the need for individuals, schools, communities, businesses, local governments, and the state to take action on behalf of runaway and homeless youth in California.

Fiscal committee: no.

- 1 WHEREAS, Runaway and homeless youth are young people
2 12 to 24 years of age, inclusive, who have the least access to
3 essential opportunities and support; and
4 WHEREAS, The prevalence of runaways and homelessness
5 among youth is staggering. Studies suggest that nationally between
6 1,600,000 and 2,800,000 youth up to 24 years of age experience
7 homelessness every year, of which there is an overrepresentation,
8 compared to the general youth population, of youth of color as
9 well as gay, lesbian, bisexual, and transgender youth; and
10 WHEREAS, Based on national surveys and California’s youth
11 population, an estimated 200,000 youth under 18 years of age and
12 thousands more who are 18 to 24 years of age, inclusive, are
13 homeless for one or more days each year; and

1 WHEREAS, The United States Department of Housing and
2 Urban Development's 2019 Point-in-Time homeless count showed
3 the number of unaccompanied homeless youth in California was
4 11,993, and there were another 2,220 parenting youth and their
5 children experiencing homelessness. A study released in November
6 2017 by the University of Chicago's Chapin Hall found 1 in 10
7 young adults between 18 and 25 years of age and, at least, 1 in 30
8 adolescents between 13 and 17 years of age experience
9 homelessness over the course of a year; and

10 WHEREAS, The percentage of unaccompanied homeless youth
11 who are unsheltered in California stands at 78.9 percent, which is
12 the highest in the country. California also has 34 percent of the
13 homeless youth population in the country, the largest number of
14 homeless youth of any state; and

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

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

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

31 WHEREAS, Youth who "age out" of the foster care system are
32 at an increased risk of homelessness, and represent an estimated
33 20 percent of the 20,000 youth who leave foster care and are
34 currently homeless; and

35 WHEREAS, These youth are on the street because they feel
36 there are no other options open to them; and

37 WHEREAS, Providing safe, stable, and permanent housing for
38 runaway and homeless youth is a family, community, state, and
39 national priority, and homeless youth are considered one of the

1 unique populations in the homeless community by the United
2 States Interagency Council on Homelessness; and

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

9 WHEREAS, The COVID-19 pandemic is being felt by youth
10 through high unemployment rates and increased demand for
11 youth-centered care and mental health services, technology, and
12 access to hygiene, food, shelter, and safety; and

13 WHEREAS, The number of effective programs providing
14 services and support to runaway and homeless youth in California
15 is a fraction of what is needed to fully address the needs of these
16 young people; only 22 out of California's 58 counties have
17 programs for runaway and homeless youth; and

18 WHEREAS, The California Coalition for Youth has operated
19 the California Youth Crisis Line (1-800-843-5200) 24 hours a day,
20 seven days a week, for over 30 years as the state's only emergency
21 response system for youth in crisis, which began offering
22 chat-to-text counseling services in 2016; and

23 WHEREAS, November is National Runaway and Homeless
24 Youth Prevention Month; and

25 WHEREAS, The California Coalition for Youth, along with
26 other community-based organizations, providers, and advocates,
27 is sponsoring California's 10th annual Runaway and Homeless
28 Youth Prevention Month to increase awareness and action on
29 behalf of youth at risk or currently living on the street; and

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

34 *Resolved by the Senate of the State of California, the Assembly*
35 *thereof concurring*, That the Legislature recognizes the need for
36 individuals, schools, communities, businesses, local governments,
37 and the state to take action on behalf of runaway and homeless
38 youth in California; and be it further

- 1 *Resolved*, That the Legislature hereby designates the month of
- 2 November 2021 as Runaway and Homeless Youth Prevention
- 3 Month; and be it further
- 4 *Resolved*, That the Secretary of the Senate transmit copies of
- 5 this resolution to the author for appropriate distribution.

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Date of Hearing: September 2, 2021

ASSEMBLY COMMITTEE ON RULES
Ken Cooley, Chair
SCR 57 (Hurtado) – As Introduced August 18, 2021

SENATE VOTE: 39-0

SUBJECT: Runaway and Homeless Youth Prevention Month.

SUMMARY: Designates the month of November 2021 as Runaway and Homeless Youth Prevention Month and recognizes the need for individuals, schools, communities, businesses, local governments, and the state to take action on behalf of runaway and homeless youth in California. Specifically, **this resolution** makes the following legislative findings:

- 1) Runaway and homeless youth are young people 12 to 24 years of age, inclusive, who have the least access to essential opportunities and support.
- 2) Based on national surveys and California's youth population, an estimated 200,000 youth under 18 years of age and thousands more who are 18 to 24 years of age, inclusive, are homeless for one or more days each year.
- 3) The percentage of unaccompanied homeless youth who are unsheltered in California stands at 78.9 percent, which is the highest in the country. California also has 34 percent of the homeless youth population in the country, the largest number of homeless youth of any state.
- 4) Runaway and homeless youth flee conflict, abuse, neglect, or, increasingly, poverty in their homes. They have become disconnected from educational systems and the workforce and do not have the skills and financial resources to live on their own. The factors impacting youth homelessness are complex and differ from those impacting other homeless populations.
- 5) Providing safe, stable, and permanent housing for runaway and homeless youth is a family, community, state, and national priority, and homeless youth are considered one of the unique populations in the homeless community by the U.S. Interagency Council on Homelessness.
- 6) The future well-being of our state depends on the value we place on our youth and, in particular, on our actions to provide the most vulnerable young people in the state with opportunities to acquire the knowledge, skills, and abilities they need to find and maintain stable housing and to develop into healthy and productive adults.
- 7) Awareness of the tragedy of youth experiencing homelessness and its causes must be heightened to ensure greater support for effective programs aimed at preventing homelessness and helping youth remain off the streets.

FISCAL EFFECT: None

REGISTERED SUPPORT / OPPOSITION:

Support

California Coalition for Youth

Opposition

None on file

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September 1, 2021

The Honorable Ken Cooley
Chair, Assembly Rules Committee
State Capitol, Room 3013
Sacramento, CA 95814

RE: SCR 57 (Hurtado) - Runaway & Homeless Youth Prevention Month
POSITION: SUPPORT

Dear Assembly Member Cooley,

On behalf of the California Coalition for Youth (CCY), I would like to express our support for Senate Concurrent Resolution 57 (Hurtado), which would establish November 2021 as the California Runaway & Homeless Youth Prevention Month. We are pleased to be the sponsor of this resolution. Nationally, November was officially declared National Runaway & Homeless Youth Month by the United States Congress on July 11, 2007.

CCY is a thirty-nine-year-old grassroots non-profit organization located in Sacramento that, as a statewide coalition, takes positions on and advocates for public policies, programs and services that empower and improve the lives of all California's youth ages 12-24, with a strong focus on disconnected, runaway and homeless youth. CCY represents several hundred youth and community agencies throughout California. Our coalition acts as a voice for youth and young adults by advocating for public policies, programs, and services that respect, empower, and protect the rights of all youth.

Additionally, we operate the California Youth Crisis Line (CYCL), a state-mandated program under the Office of Emergency Services. The CYCL is a 24-hour hotline for youth, ages 12-24, to call when they are in crisis or when they just need someone to talk to. The CYCL provides crisis intervention counseling on many issues including family issues, sexual assault, eating disorders, teen pregnancy, substance abuse, suicide and more. The CYCL receives over 18,000 calls a year, many of which are calls asking for referrals to homeless shelters for youth and young adults. Additionally, the crisis line provides chat-to-text counseling services to meet youth in their communication mode+.

This resolution is important to raise the awareness about the issues runaway and homeless youth face as well as to educate the public about solutions aimed at preventing youth from running away from home. Almost 200,000 youth up to the age of 18 and many thousands more between the ages of 18 to 24 are or have experienced

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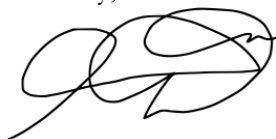
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homelessness over the past year. Research has shown that homeless youth and young adults are at greater risk for physical abuse, sexual exploitation, mental health disabilities, chemical or alcohol dependency, and death. The cost of youth homelessness to the State of California is considerable, while the number of effective programs providing services and supports to runaway and homeless youth in California is a fraction of what is needed to fully address the needs of these young people. The COVID-19 pandemic has added a layer of complexity to the typical concerns homeless young people have. Changes in housing, education, and employment work together to amplify the instability these young people face every day and was a critical finding in a survey CCY conducted of homeless youth during the pandemic.

For these reasons, CCY is pleased to support and sponsor this resolution, SCR 57, and urge you to vote 'aye' on this important issue.

Sincerely,



Jevon Wilkes
Executive Director

cc: Members and Staff of the Assembly Rules Committee
Senator Melissa Hurtado

Introduced by Senator Hurtado
(Coauthor: Senator Caballero)
(Coauthor: Assembly Member Aguiar-Curry)

August 18, 2021

Senate Concurrent Resolution No. 58—Relative to One Health Day.

LEGISLATIVE COUNSEL’S DIGEST

SCR 58, as introduced, Hurtado. One Health Day

This measure would proclaim November 3, 2021, as One Health Day, to celebrate and bring attention to the need for a One Health approach to address shared health threats at the human-animal-environmental interface.

Fiscal committee: no.

- 1 WHEREAS, One Health is a collaborative, multisectoral, and
2 transdisciplinary approach working at the local, regional, national,
3 and global levels with the goal of achieving optimal health
4 outcomes recognizing the intersection between people, animals,
5 plants, and their shared environment; and
6 WHEREAS, The link between human and animal health can be
7 seen quite clearly with bovine tuberculosis and brucellosis. Both
8 are zoonotic diseases, meaning they can spread from animals to
9 people; and
10 WHEREAS, Bovine tuberculosis and brucellosis are bacterial
11 diseases most commonly found in cattle and other animals, such
12 as bison, elk, and deer, as well as cattle, goats, and sheep. People
13 can become infected with bovine tuberculosis and brucellosis by
14 consuming contaminated, unpasteurized, raw milk or dairy products

1 or through direct contact with infected live animals or carcasses;
2 and

3 WHEREAS, In the United States, it was once common for
4 bovine tuberculosis and brucellosis to spread from animals to
5 people, but efforts to eliminate both diseases in cattle and routine
6 pasteurization of cow's milk have led to a dramatic decline in the
7 amount of human cases; and

8 WHEREAS, In the early 1900s, about 20 percent of tuberculosis
9 cases in humans were caused by bovine tuberculosis. Today, that
10 number is less than 2 percent. From 1931 to 1941, about 29,600
11 cases of brucellosis in people were reported, but from 1993 to
12 2010, the number of reported human cases was less than 2,000;
13 and

14 WHEREAS, One Health Day provides an opportunity for experts
15 and the community to join together in One Health education and
16 awareness, including sharing stories about One Health in action,
17 like the one detailed above; and

18 WHEREAS, Communication, coordination, and collaboration
19 among partners working in animal, human, and environmental
20 health, as well as other relevant partners, are an essential part of
21 the One Health approach; and

22 WHEREAS, Working together allows us to have the biggest
23 impact on improving health for people, animals, and our shared
24 environment; now, therefore, be it

25 *Resolved by the Senate of the State of California, the Assembly*
26 *thereof concurring*, That the Legislature proclaims November 3,
27 2021, as One Health Day, a global campaign that celebrates and
28 brings attention to the need for a One Health approach to address
29 shared health threats at the human-animal-environmental interface;
30 and be it further

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

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Date of Hearing: September 2, 2021

ASSEMBLY COMMITTEE ON RULES
Ken Cooley, Chair
SCR 58 (Hurtado) – As Introduced August 18, 2021

SENATE VOTE: 39-0

SUBJECT: One Health Day

SUMMARY: Proclaims November 3, 2021, as One Health Day, a global campaign that celebrates and brings attention to the need for a One Health approach to address shared health threats at the human-animal-environmental interface. Specifically, **this resolution** makes the following legislative findings:

- 1) One Health is a collaborative, multisectoral, and transdisciplinary approach working at the local, regional, national, and global levels with the goal of achieving optimal health outcomes recognizing the intersection between people, animals, plants, and their shared environment.
- 2) The link between human and animal health can be seen quite clearly with bovine tuberculosis and brucellosis. Both are zoonotic diseases, meaning they can spread from animals to people.
- 3) Bovine tuberculosis and brucellosis are bacterial diseases most commonly found in cattle and other animals, such as bison, elk, and deer, as well as cattle, goats, and sheep. People can become infected with bovine tuberculosis and brucellosis by consuming contaminated, unpasteurized, raw milk or dairy products or through direct contact with infected live animals or carcasses.
- 4) In the United States, it was once common for bovine tuberculosis and brucellosis to spread from animals to people, but efforts to eliminate both diseases in cattle and routine pasteurization of cow's milk have led to a dramatic decline in the amount of human cases.
- 5) In the early 1900s, about 20 percent of tuberculosis cases in humans were caused by bovine tuberculosis. Today, that number is less than 2 percent. From 1931 to 1941, about 29,600 cases of brucellosis in people were reported, but from 1993 to 2010, the number of reported human cases was less than 2,000.
- 6) One Health Day provides an opportunity for experts and the community to join together in One Health education and awareness, including sharing stories about One Health in action, like the one detailed above. Working together allows us to have the biggest impact on improving health for people, animals, and our shared environment.

FISCAL EFFECT: None

REGISTERED SUPPORT / OPPOSITION:

Support

None on file

Opposition

None on file

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