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To: Rules Committee Members  
From: Mukhtar Ali, Bill Referral Consultant  
Date: 4/28/14  
Re: Consent Bill Referrals

Since you received the preliminary there have been no changes.
RE-REFERRAL OF BILLS
04/28/2014

Assembly Bill No. Committee:
AB 2227 NATURAL RESOURCES
AB 2368 JUDICIARY
Memo

To: Rules Committee Members
From: Mukhtar Ali, Bill Referral Consultant
Date: 4/28/14
Re: Consent Bill Re-referrals

Since you received the preliminary AB 2646 has been removed.
Assembly Concurrent Resolution No. 123

Introduced by Assembly Member Harkey

March 25, 2014

Assembly Concurrent Resolution No. 123—Relative to Arthritis Awareness Month.

LEGISLATIVE COUNSEL’S DIGEST

ACR 123, as introduced, Harkey. Arthritis Awareness Month.
This measure would proclaim the month of May 2014 as Arthritis Awareness Month.
Fiscal committee: no.

1 WHEREAS, Arthritis includes more than 100 rheumatic diseases and conditions that affect joints, the tissues that surround joints, and other connective tissue; and
2 WHEREAS, Arthritis is a chronic health problem and the nation’s leading cause of physical disability among Americans and is most common among people with multiple chronic conditions; and
3 WHEREAS, Arthritis causes pain and loss of movement, can limit everyday activities such as walking and dressing, and can even lead to death; and
4 WHEREAS, An estimated 52.5 million adults in the United States are living with some form of doctor-diagnosed arthritis, representing approximately 22.7 percent of adults in the United States; and
WHEREAS, An estimated 300,000 children under 18 years of age, or approximately one in 250 children, in the United States have some form of arthritis or rheumatic condition; and
WHEREAS, Approximately one-half of all adults with heart disease or diabetes also have arthritis; and
WHEREAS, Arthritis costs the United States economy more than $128 billion each year, with $81 billion in direct medical care costs and $47 billion in indirect costs; and
WHEREAS, Arthritis results in approximately 992,100 hospitalizations and 44 million outpatient visits each year; and
WHEREAS, In California there are more than 5.3 million people living with arthritis, including 38,000 children; and
WHEREAS, An estimated 67 million adults 18 years of age and older will have doctor-diagnosed arthritis by the year 2030; now, therefore, be it
Resolved by the Senate of the State of California, the Assembly thereof concurring, That the Legislature understands the extent of, and sympathizes with, the severity of the impact of arthritis on Californians; and be it further
Resolved, That the Legislature recognizes the month of May 2014 as Arthritis Awareness Month and appreciates the efforts of the California Arthritis Foundation Council to seek access to care for all Californians; and be it further
Resolved, That the Secretary of the Senate transmit copies of this resolution to the author for appropriate distribution.
ASSEMBLY COMMITTEE ON RULES

Richard S. Gordon, Chair

ACR 123 (Harkey) – As Introduced: March 25, 2014

SUBJECT: Arthritis Awareness Month.

SUMMARY: Proclaims the month of May 2014 as Arthritis Awareness Month. Specifically, this resolution makes the following legislative findings:

1) Arthritis is a chronic health problem and the nation's leading cause of physical disability among Americans and includes more than 100 rheumatic diseases and conditions that affect joints, the tissues that surround joints, and other connective tissue.

2) In California there are more than 5.3 million people living with arthritis, including 38,000 children.

3) Arthritis results in approximately 992,100 hospitalizations and 44 million outpatient visits each year; and cost the United States economy more than $128 billion each year in direct and indirect medical costs.

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. 133

Introduced by Assembly Member Bonta
(Coauthors: Assembly Members Chau, Fong, Muratsuchi, Pan, Ting, Williams, and Yamada)
(Coauthors: Senators Lieu and Liu)

April 9, 2014

Assembly Concurrent Resolution No. 133—Relative to Asian and Pacific Islander American Heritage Month.

LEGISLATIVE COUNSEL’S DIGEST

ACR 133, as introduced, Bonta. May 2014: Asian and Pacific Islander American Heritage Month.
This measure would recognize May 2014 as Asian and Pacific Islander American Heritage Month.
Fiscal committee: no.

1 WHEREAS, One of the earliest records of Asian and Pacific Islander Americans in the United States dates back to 1763 in New Orleans, Louisiana, where Filipino sailors who worked the Manila-Acapulco trade route settled; and
2 WHEREAS, Asian and Pacific Islander Americans have made indelible contributions to the history of California and the United States that include, but are not limited to, building the Transcontinental Railroad, serving honorably in the Armed Forces, fighting for the United States in foreign wars, coorganizing the Delano Grape Strike, and advocating for civil rights; and
3 WHEREAS, 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
country’s history, including the Chinese Exclusion Act, naturalized
Citizenship eligibility, the Alien Land Law, anti-miscegenation
laws, and Japanese internment; and
WHEREAS, 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; and
WHEREAS, 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 nation; and
WHEREAS, Asian and Pacific Islander Americans constitute
16 percent of California’s population and represent diverse
ancestries that include, but are not limited to, Asian Indian,
Bangladeshi, Bhutanese, Burmese, Cambodian, Chamorro,
Chinese, Taiwanese, Filipino, Hmong, Indonesian, Iu-Mien, Iwo
Jiman, Guamanian, Japanese, Korean, Laotian, Malaysian,
Maldivian, Mongolian, Nepalese, Native Hawaiian, Vietnamese,
Okinawan, Pakistani, Samoan, Singaporean, Sri Lankan, Thai,
Tongan, and other Pacific Islander; and
WHEREAS, California’s Asian and Pacific Islander American
entrepreneurs are innovative and lead many successful businesses
to the pinnacle of their respective industries nationally and globally,
and own 15 percent of businesses in California; and
WHEREAS, 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; and
WHEREAS, The California Asian and Pacific Islander
Legislative Caucus, a caucus of State Assembly Members and
Senators, represents and advocates for the interests of the diverse
Asian and Pacific Islander American communities; and
WHEREAS, The federal government officially designates May
as “Asian/Pacific American Heritage Month”; and
WHEREAS, Celebrating Asian and Pacific Islander Heritage
Month provides Californians with an opportunity to recognize the
Resolved by the Assembly of the State of California, the Senate thereof concurring, That the Legislature commends Asian and Pacific Islander Americans for their notable accomplishments and contributions to California, and recognizes May 2014 as Asian and Pacific Islander American Heritage Month; and be it further Resolved, That the Chief Clerk of the Assembly transmit copies of this resolution to the author for appropriate distribution.
SUBJECT: Asian and Pacific Islander American Heritage Month.

SUMMARY: Recognize May 2014 as Asian and Pacific Islander American Heritage Month and commends Asian and Pacific Islander Americans for their notable accomplishments and contributions to California. 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, Anti-miscegenation 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.

FISCAL EFFECT: None
REGISTERED SUPPORT / OPPOSITION:

Support

None on file

Opposition

None on file

Analysis Prepared by: Nicole Willis / RLS. / (916) 319-2800
ADMINISTRATIVE ITEM:
ASSEMBLY LEGAL PLAN

ISSUE:
Should the Assembly approve a one-year contract with CLC Incorporated to replace Caldwell Legal and continue to provide a basic legal plan to employees?

BACKGROUND
The Assembly currently provides a basic legal plan to employees that offers free telephone advice and consultations, as well as a host of other services at reduced rates. The vendor for this plan, Caldwell Legal, notified the Assembly Rules Committee that as of April 30, 2014, they will no longer be in business.

Assembly Rules Committee staff researched vendors to continue to offer this benefit to employees. After comparing the current plan to plans offered by five different vendors, staff recommends the Assembly enter into a one-year contract with CLC Incorporated. CLC offers a plan that is comparable and in some areas better than the Caldwell Legal plan. CLC has committed to matching Caldwell’s monthly premium of $1.00 per employee per month for the first year of the contract. The four other vendors offered comparable plans, however the monthly premiums range from $14.00 per employee to $25.00 per employee.

RECOMMENDATION:
Approve a one-year contract with CLC.
Memo

To: Rules Committee Members
From: Mukhtar Ali, Bill Referral Consultant
Date: 4/28/14
Re: Consent Bill Referrals - Second Extraordinary Session

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