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Thursday, June 11, 2015
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Memo

To: Rules Committee Members
From: Mukhtar Ali, Bill Referral Consultant
Date: 6/10/2015
Re: Consent Bill Referrals

Since you received the preliminary list of bill referrals, the referral for SB 425 has changed.



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Assembly Concurrent Resolution

No. 82

Introduced by Assembly Member Williams
(Principal coauthor: Senator Jackson)

May 28, 2015

Assembly Concurrent Resolution No. 82—Relative to
California-Grown Flower Month.

LEGISLATIVE COUNSEL'S DIGEST

ACR 82, as introduced, Williams. California-Grown Flower Month.

This measure would proclaim June 2015 as California-Grown Flower Month to recognize and honor the men and women of the California-grown flower industry for their dedication and productivity.

Fiscal committee: no.

1 WHEREAS, California's flower industry dates back to the late
2 1870s, when Theodosia B. Shepherd was inspired to sell calla lilies
3 grown in her garden; and

4 WHEREAS, The industry of selling grown flowers began to
5 flourish and by the turn of the century most towns had at least one
6 florist; and

7 WHEREAS, In 1890, the Domoto family established California's
8 first commercial flower farm in Oakland; and

9 WHEREAS, To this day, California still has a year-round climate
10 that is perfect for growing hundreds of varieties of flowers; and

11 WHEREAS, California flowers are grown over 701 million
12 square feet spanning the distance from the City of San Diego,
13 through the Inland Empire to the coastal City of Carpinteria, and
14 up to the Oregon border; and

1 WHEREAS, Santa Barbara County represents the most valuable
2 flower production region in the state and San Diego County
3 represents the most flower farms by number; and

4 WHEREAS, California flower farmers account for
5 approximately 80 percent of all domestically grown flowers in the
6 United States; and

7 WHEREAS, Approximately 50 percent of all California-grown
8 flowers are distributed to wholesale and retail customers outside
9 of the state; and

10 WHEREAS, The economic activity of California flower farmers,
11 wholesalers, and retail florists creates nearly 145,665 jobs in the
12 state; and

13 WHEREAS, The total economic impact of business activity
14 created by California-grown flower farmers', wholesalers', and
15 retail florists' expenditures in the state is more than \$12.2 billion;
16 and

17 WHEREAS, The amount of money generated by the
18 California-grown flower industry for additional jobs in the state
19 is more than \$12.5 million per day; and

20 WHEREAS, The economic activities of California-grown flower
21 farmers, wholesalers, and retail florists generate nearly \$1.1 billion
22 in additional taxes; and

23 WHEREAS, It is appropriate for all Californians to recognize
24 our California-grown flower farmers, wholesalers, retail florists,
25 and others involved in providing such a bounty to our state and
26 the nation; now, therefore, be it

27 *Resolved by the Assembly of the State of California, the Senate*
28 *thereof concurring*, That the Legislature recognizes and honors
29 the men and women of the California-grown flower industry for
30 their dedication and productivity and hereby proclaims the month
31 of June 2015 as California-Grown Flower Month; and be it further

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

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Date of Hearing: June 11, 2015

ASSEMBLY COMMITTEE ON RULES
Richard Gordon, Chair
ACR 82 (Williams) – As Introduced May 28, 2015

SUBJECT: California-Grown Flower Month.

SUMMARY: Proclaims June 2015 as California-Grown Flower Month to recognize and honor the men and women of the California-grown flower industry for their dedication and productivity. Specifically, **this resolution** makes the following legislative findings:

- 1) California's flower industry dates back to the late 1870's, when Theodosia B. Shepherd was inspired to sell calla lilies grown in her garden and the industry of selling grown flowers began to flourish and by the turn of the century most towns had at least one florist.
- 2) California flower farmers account for approximately 80 percent of all domestically grown flowers in the United States; and approximately 50 percent of all California-grown flowers are distributed to wholesale and retail customers outside of the state.
- 3) The economic activity of California flower farmers, wholesalers, and retail florists creates nearly 145,665 jobs in the state and the total economic impact of business activity created by California-grown flower farmers', wholesalers', and retail florists' expenditures in the state is more than \$12.2 billion.
- 4) Santa Barbara County represents the most valuable flower production region in the state and San Diego County represents the most flower farms by number.

FISCAL EFFECT: None

REGISTERED SUPPORT / OPPOSITION:

Support

California Cut Flower Commission (CCFC)

Opposition

None on file

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



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June 8, 2015

Richard S. Gordon, Chair
Assembly Committee on Rule
State Capitol, Room 3013

Re: ACR 82 – SUPPORT

Dear Assembly Member Gordon:

On behalf of our client, California Cut Flower Commission (CCFC), I write to express their support for ACR 82, which proclaims June 2015 as California Grown Flower Month.

California is known for its high-quality cut flowers. The State's world class environment allows for hundreds of varieties to grow from San Diego up to the Oregon border. Flower growers work year around to provide approximately eighty percent of all domestically grown flowers and account for nearly 145,665 jobs. The industry has a rich history, and has continued to flourish and give back to the state.

We appreciate your efforts to recognize the hard work of California grown flower farmers, wholesalers, retail florists, and others. For these reasons we support ACR 82

Sincerely,
KAHN, SOARES & CONWAY, LLP

Louie A. Brown, Jr.

Cc: Assembly Member Das Williams

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House Resolution

No. 24

**Introduced by Assembly Member Eggman
(Principal coauthors: Assembly Members Atkins, Gordon, and
Low)**

June 4, 2015

House Resolution No. 24—Relative to Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual, and Transgender (LGBT) Pride Month.

1 WHEREAS, Our great state and nation strives to promote the
2 principles of equality and justice, and the inalienable rights of all
3 people to life, liberty, and the pursuit of happiness; and
4 WHEREAS, California's and America's diversity is one of our
5 greatest strengths; and
6 WHEREAS, To achieve a just and fair society, we must teach
7 our children to respect one another, to appreciate our differences,
8 and to recognize the common good in all of us; and
9 WHEREAS, Lesbian, gay, bisexual, and transgender people
10 come from all walks of life, regardless of race, ethnicity, color,
11 religion, ancestry, national origin, economic status, physical or
12 mental ability, medical condition, sex, or gender identity or
13 expression; and
14 WHEREAS, Lesbian, gay, bisexual, and transgender people
15 have made important and lasting contributions to our great state
16 and nation in every field of endeavor, including, but not limited
17 to, business, medicine, law, humanities, science, literature, politics,
18 education, music, philanthropy, sports and athletics, arts, and
19 culture, that enrich our national life; and
20 WHEREAS, For the first time in the history of the United States,
21 a sitting President and Vice President, President Barack Obama

1 and Vice President Joe Biden, affirmed their support for the
2 fundamental right to marry, regardless of sexual orientation or
3 gender; and

4 WHEREAS, The Supreme Court of the United States struck
5 down a provision of the federal Defense of Marriage Act (DOMA),
6 which barred the federal government from recognizing same-sex
7 marriages, affirming that all loving and committed couples who
8 are married deserve equal treatment and respect; and

9 WHEREAS, The Supreme Court of the United States ruled that
10 Proposition 8 sponsors had no standing to appeal the federal trial
11 court's decision that Proposition 8 is unconstitutional, thereby
12 restoring marriage equality in California; and

13 WHEREAS, The Supreme Court of the United States is now
14 considering the constitutional basis for marriage equality and
15 whether millions of lesbian, gay, bisexual, and transgender
16 individuals across the country are able to marry whom they love;
17 and

18 WHEREAS, A growing number of married same-sex couples
19 now enjoy the same rights and privileges granted to other married
20 couples, including joint tax filings, military benefits, family and
21 medical leave, and the ability to sponsor their foreign spouse; and

22 WHEREAS, More lesbian, gay, bisexual, and transgender people
23 are being elected to public offices across the country, playing in
24 professional sports leagues, occupying the highest positions in
25 business, and serving as role models for all; and

26 WHEREAS, The transgender community in particular, has
27 gained newfound prominence in the media, entertainment, sports,
28 and business, raising awareness about gender identity and the
29 obstacles this community continues to face; and

30 WHEREAS, While our great state and nation have progressed
31 in our journey toward dignity, understanding, and mutual respect
32 for all, we still have a long way to go in eradicating the prejudice
33 and discrimination that lesbian, gay, bisexual, and transgender
34 people and their families encounter, and to this end, we continue
35 working for the passage of the inclusive federal Employment
36 Non-Discrimination Act (ENDA), comprehensive immigration
37 reform, and increased awareness of the difficulties facing the
38 transgender community; and

39 WHEREAS, Friends and allies of the LGBT community have
40 shown considerable support and commitment to the struggles of

1 lesbian, gay, bisexual, and transgender people at home and abroad;
2 and

3 WHEREAS, To build a stronger and better state and nation, we
4 must continue to help advance the cause of equality for all people;
5 and

6 WHEREAS, Each year, June marks the anniversary of the
7 Stonewall Rebellion that gave birth to the modern lesbian, gay,
8 bisexual, and transgender civil rights movement; and

9 WHEREAS, President Barack Obama has proclaimed June as
10 Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual, and Transgender Pride Month and
11 reaffirmed his administration's goal of eliminating prejudice
12 everywhere it exists and celebrating the great diversity of the
13 American people; and

14 WHEREAS, Lesbian, gay, bisexual, and transgender Americans,
15 their families and friends, and all those committed to justice and
16 equality celebrate, during the month of June, the rich culture, the
17 notable achievements, and the outstanding services that lesbian,
18 gay, bisexual, and transgender Americans make to our great state
19 and nation; now, therefore, be it

20 *Resolved by the Assembly of the State of California*, That the
21 Assembly proclaims June 2015 as Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual, and
22 Transgender (LGBT) Pride Month, urges all residents to join in
23 celebrating the culture, accomplishments, and contributions of
24 lesbian, gay, bisexual, and transgender people, and encourages the
25 people of California to work to help advance the cause of equality
26 for lesbian, gay, bisexual, and transgender people and their
27 families; and be it further

28 *Resolved*, That the Chief Clerk of the Assembly transmit copies
29 of this resolution to the Members of the Legislature and to the
30 author for appropriate distribution.

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Date of Hearing: June 11, 2015

ASSEMBLY COMMITTEE ON RULES
Richard Gordon, Chair
HR 24 (Eggman) – As Introduced June 4, 2015

SUBJECT: Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual, and Transgender (LGBT) Pride Month.

SUMMARY: Proclaims June 2015 as Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual, and Transgender (LGBT) Pride Month; urges all residents to join in celebrating the accomplishments and contributions of lesbian, gay, bisexual, and transgender people; and encourages the people of California to work to help advance the cause of equality for lesbian, gay, bisexual, and transgender people. Specifically, **this resolution** makes the following legislative findings:

- 1) Lesbian, gay, bisexual, and transgender people come from all walks of life, regardless of race, color, religion, ancestry, ethnicity, national origin, economic status, physical or mental ability, medical condition, sex, or gender identity.
- 2) Lesbian, gay, bisexual, and transgender people have made important and lasting contributions to our great state and nation in every field of endeavor including business, medicine, law, humanities, science, literature, politics, education, music, philanthropy, sports, arts and culture that enrich our national life.
- 3) Lesbian, gay, bisexual, and transgender Americans, their family and friends, and all those committed to justice and equality celebrate during the month of June the rich culture, the notable achievements and outstanding services that lesbian, gay, bisexual, and transgender Americans make to our great state and nation.
- 4) For the first time in the history of the United States, a sitting President and Vice President, President Barack Obama and Vice President Joe Biden, affirmed their support for the fundamental right to marry, regardless of sexual orientation or gender; and, President Obama has proclaimed June 2015 as LGBT Pride Month and reaffirmed his administration's goal of eliminating prejudice everywhere it exists and to celebrate the great diversity of the American people.

FISCAL EFFECT: None

REGISTERED SUPPORT / OPPOSITION:

Support

Equality California

Opposition

None on file

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June 10, 2015

The Honorable Richard S. Gordon
Chair, Assembly Committee on Rules
State Capitol, Room 3016
Sacramento, CA 95814

RE: HR 24 (Eggman) – SUPPORT

Dear Assemblymember Gordon,

Equality California (EQCA) is pleased to support HR 24 (Eggman), designating June 2015 as LGBT Pride Month. EQCA is California's largest statewide lesbian, gay, bisexual, and transgender (LGBT) civil rights advocacy organization.

Each year, June marks the anniversary of the Stonewall Rebellion that gave birth to the modern lesbian, gay, bisexual, and transgender civil rights movement. Our state and nation have progressed significantly in the journey toward dignity, understanding, and mutual respect for all since then, but we still have a long way to go in eradicating the prejudice and discrimination that LGBT people and their families continue to encounter.

During the month of June, LGBT Americans, their families and friends, and all those committed to justice and equality celebrate the rich culture, the notable achievements, and the outstanding services that LGBT Americans make for our state and nation.

HR 24 would proclaim June 2015 as LGBT Pride Month and urge all residents to join in celebrating the culture, accomplishments, and contributions of LGBT people, and, most importantly, encourage the people of California to work to help advance equality and justice for all LGBT people and their families.

For these reasons, we are proud to support HR 24.

Sincerely,

Rick Zbur
Executive Director

cc: Assemblymember Susan Eggman
Members and Committee Staff, Assembly Committee on Rules

Introduced by Senator McGuire

**(Coauthors: Senators Beall, Berryhill, Hancock, Jackson, Leno,
Liu, and Monning)**

**(Coauthors: Assembly Members Calderon, Chiu, Kim, Lopez, Olsen,
and Mark Stone)**

May 6, 2015

Senate Concurrent Resolution No. 60—Relative to Foster Care Month.

LEGISLATIVE COUNSEL’S DIGEST

SCR 60, as introduced, McGuire. Foster Care Month.

This measure would declare the month of May 2015 as Foster Care Month.

Fiscal committee: no.

1 WHEREAS, In California, there are approximately 67,116
2 children and youth in foster care who need and deserve safe,
3 permanent connections to loving adults, a stable home, and
4 adequate preparation for a secure future; and

5 WHEREAS, The needs of children and youth for belonging and
6 unconditional emotional commitment are best met in families; and

7 WHEREAS, Many California counties have successfully
8 supported permanent family connections for foster youth, provided
9 support for families at risk of entering the child welfare system,
10 and changed practices to fully engage youth, family, and
11 communities, thereby reducing the number of children in foster
12 care; and

13 WHEREAS, California recognizes the enduring and valuable
14 contribution of relatives and foster and adoptive parents who open

1 their hearts, families, and homes to the vulnerable children and
2 youth; and

3 WHEREAS, California recognizes the numerous individuals
4 and public and private organizations that work to ensure that the
5 needs of children and youth living in, and leaving, foster care are
6 met, that help provide foster and former foster children and youth
7 with vital connections to their siblings, and that help launch young
8 people into successful adulthood; and

9 WHEREAS, The federal Fostering Connections to Success and
10 Increasing Adoptions Act of 2008 offers opportunities to promote
11 permanent families for children in foster care, improve outcomes
12 for older youth in foster care, increase support for Native American
13 foster children, improve the quality of staff working with youth
14 in the child welfare system, expand our support of relative and
15 adoptive caregivers, and assist older youth in securing meaningful
16 supportive transitions from foster care; and

17 WHEREAS, This federal law affirms California's leadership
18 and success in pioneering innovative child welfare approaches;
19 and

20 WHEREAS, California is engaged in continuum of care reform,
21 which is a comprehensive approach to improving the experience
22 and outcomes of children and youth in foster care by improving
23 assessments of children and families to make more informed and
24 appropriate initial placement decisions, emphasizing home-based
25 family care placements of children, appropriately supporting these
26 placements with available services, changing the goals for
27 congregate (group home) care placements, and increasing
28 transparency and accountability for child outcomes; and

29 WHEREAS, California is committed to working in partnership
30 with the federal government and local governments to improve
31 the lives and futures of all children and youth touched by the child
32 welfare system; now therefore, be it

33 *Resolved by the Senate of the State of California, the Assembly*
34 *thereof concurring*, That the Legislature declares the month of
35 May 2015 as Foster Care Month; and be it further

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

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Date of Hearing: June 11, 2015

ASSEMBLY COMMITTEE ON RULES
Richard Gordon, Chair
SCR 60 (McGuire) – As Introduced May 6, 2015

SENATE VOTE: 38-0

SUBJECT: Foster Care Month.

SUMMARY: Declares the month of May 2015 as Foster Care Month. Specifically, **this resolution** makes the following legislative findings:

- 1) In California, there are approximately 67,116 children and youth in foster care who need and deserve safe, permanent connections to loving adults, a stable home, and adequate preparation for a secure future.
- 2) Many counties in California have successfully supported permanent family connections for foster youth, provided support for families at risk of entering the child welfare system, and changed practices to fully engage youth, family, and communities, thereby reducing the number of children in foster care.
- 3) The federal Fostering Connections to Success and Increasing Adoptions Act of 2008 offers opportunities to promote permanent families for children in foster care, improve outcomes for older youth in foster care, increase support for Native American foster children, improve the quality of staff working with youth in the child welfare system, expand our support of relative and adoptive caregivers, and assist older youth in securing meaningful supportive transitions from foster care.
- 4) California is committed to working in partnership with the federal government and local governments to improve the lives and futures of all children and youth touched by the child welfare system.

FISCAL EFFECT: None

REGISTERED SUPPORT / OPPOSITION:

Support

None on file

Opposition

None on file

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Senate Concurrent Resolution

No. 62

Introduced by Senator Mendoza

May 13, 2015

Senate Concurrent Resolution No. 62—Relative to Portugal Day.

LEGISLATIVE COUNSEL'S DIGEST

SCR 62, as amended, Mendoza. Portugal Day.

This act would declare June 10, 2015, as Portugal Day to celebrate Portuguese national heritage.

Fiscal committee: no.

1 WHEREAS, In September of 1542, Portuguese explorer João
2 Rodrigues-Cabrilho Cabrilho sailed a ship into San Diego Bay,
3 thereby becoming the first European to explore the land now known
4 as California. Cabrilho explored Cabrilho's efforts included
5 exploring the California coast, and he is credited with numerous
6 coastal discoveries; and

7 WHEREAS, In 1870, Portuguese immigrants began arriving in
8 the United States in relatively large numbers. The majority of these
9 Portuguese immigrants were numbers beginning in 1870, with
10 most of these immigrants being men from the Azores, who were
11 primarily who, for the most part, had been recruited to farm and
12 to work on American whaling ships and to farm; ships; and

13 WHEREAS, Between 1900 and 1940, as much as one-half of
14 the Portuguese community in California owned or operated a dairy
15 farm, worked on a dairy farm, or worked in a dairy-supporting
16 industry. Applying the Portuguese belief in hard work and
17 thriftiness, along with additional labor from family members, a

1 Portuguese settler could earn enough to reinvest in his business,
2 buying land and more dairy cows; *these pioneering Portuguese*
3 *Americans were renowned for their work ethic and ingenuity, often*
4 *reinvesting in their own businesses by buying more land and dairy*
5 *cows; and*

6 WHEREAS, Among the great Portuguese Americans who have
7 contributed significantly to this country are: composer John Philip
8 Sousa, best known for composing “Stars and Stripes Forever”;
9 poet Emma Lazarus, best known for her sonnet about the Statue
10 of Liberty, “The New Colossus”; architect William L. Pereira, best
11 known for designing the Transamerica Pyramid in San Francisco;
12 and singer and actress Carmen ~~Miranda. Many Portuguese~~
13 ~~Americans have also served with distinction in local, state, and~~
14 ~~federal office; Miranda; and~~

15 WHEREAS, Portuguese Americans have ~~truly~~ made valuable
16 and substantial contributions to every facet of California ~~life.~~
17 ~~Portuguese Americans continue to thrive in life, such as within the~~
18 ~~thriving~~ agricultural communities of the Santa Clara and San
19 Joaquin Valleys *and through service in local, state, and federal*
20 *office.* Today, over 350,000 Portuguese Americans reside in
21 ~~California; California; and~~

22 WHEREAS, Portuguese national literary icon Luís Vaz de
23 Camões wrote Portugal’s national epic poem, *Os Lusíadas*,
24 celebrating the ~~15th-century~~ *15th century* Portuguese explorations
25 ~~which that~~ brought fame and fortune to the country. The poem,
26 considered one of the finest and most important works in
27 Portuguese literature, became a symbol for the great feats of the
28 Portuguese Empire; and

29 WHEREAS, Dia de Portugal, de Camões e das Comunidades
30 Portuguesas, translated as “Day of Portugal, Camões, and the
31 Portuguese Communities,” commemorates the death of Luís Vaz
32 de Camões on June 10, 1580; now, therefore, be it

33 *Resolved by the Senate of the State of California, the Assembly*
34 *thereof concurring,* That the Legislature hereby declares June 10,
35 2015, as Portugal Day, a day to celebrate Portuguese national
36 heritage; and be it further

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

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Date of Hearing: June 11, 2015

ASSEMBLY COMMITTEE ON RULES
Richard Gordon, Chair
SCR 62 (Mendoza) – As Amended June 9, 2015

SENATE VOTE: 39-0

SUBJECT: Portugal Day.

SUMMARY: Declares June 10, 2015, as Portugal Day to celebrate Portuguese national heritage. Specifically, **this resolution** makes the following legislative findings:

- 1) In September 1542, Portuguese explorer João Rodrigues Cabrilho sailed a ship into San Diego Bay, becoming the first European to explore the land now known as California. Cabrilho explored the California coast, and is credited with numerous coastal discoveries.
- 2) Between 1900 and 1940, as much as one-half of the Portuguese community in California owned or operated a dairy farm, worked on a dairy farm, or worked in a dairy-supporting industry. Applying the Portuguese belief in hard work and thriftiness, the Portuguese Americans were renowned for their work ethic and ingenuity, often reinvesting in their own businesses by buying more land and dairy cows.
- 3) Portuguese Americans have made valuable and substantial contributions to every facet of California life. Portuguese Americans continue to thrive in agricultural communities of the Santa Clara and San Joaquin Valleys. Today, over 350,000 Portuguese Americans reside in California.
- 4) Portuguese national literary icon Luís Vaz de Camões wrote Portugal's national epic poem, *Os Lusíadas*, celebrating the 15th-century Portuguese explorations that brought fame and fortune to the country. The poem, considered one of the finest and most important works in Portuguese literature, became a symbol for the great feats of the Portuguese Empire. *Dia de Portugal, de Camões e das Comunidades Portuguesas*, translated as "Day of Portugal, Camões, and the Portuguese Communities," commemorates the death of Luís de Camões on June 10, 1580.

FISCAL EFFECT: None

REGISTERED SUPPORT / OPPOSITION:

Support

None on file

Opposition

None on file

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