
THIRD READING

Bill No: ACR 152
Author: Connolly (D), et al.
Introduced: 2/28/24
Vote: 21

ASSEMBLY FLOOR: Read and adopted, 6/3/24

SUBJECT: California Mountain Biking Month

SOURCE: California Mountain Biking Coalition

DIGEST: This resolution designates the month of June 2024 as California Mountain Biking Month.

ANALYSIS: This resolution makes the following legislative findings:

- 1) California is widely recognized as the birthplace of mountain biking, with its roots in the County of Marin in the late 1970s, which is now the home of the Mountain Bike Hall of Fame.
- 2) Mountain biking, in its many forms, including trail riding, dirt jumping, BMX, cyclocross, downhill, enduro, gravel riding, bikepacking, freeride, and other related off-road cycling activities, takes place on natural surface trails, unpaved roads, and purpose-built bike park facilities throughout California's public lands and open spaces using bicycles designed for off-road use.
- 3) Mountain biking clubs and organizations throughout California contribute millions of dollars' worth of volunteer hours, technical expertise, and manual labor to steward and maintain our parks and natural surface trails for the benefit of all trail users and federal, state, and local land management agencies throughout the state.
- 4) In 1988, five California mountain biking organizations came together to form the International Mountain Bicycling Association (IMBA), which was the first national and international mountain biking organization.

- 5) The IMBA went on to develop and refine sustainable trail design principles and standards that have since been adopted worldwide, including in the United States by numerous federal, state, and local land management agencies.
- 6) Mountain biking will be included as an Olympic event in the 2028 Los Angeles Summer Olympics with the San Gabriel Mountains National Monument as the backdrop.
- 7) Designating a California Mountain Biking Month, following the League of American Bicyclists' already well-publicized National Bike Month in May, will promote participation in off-road cycling and mountain biking as a form of healthy outdoor recreation, encourage people to connect with and experience their public lands and natural settings, increase diversity of the mountain biking community, encourage increased stewardship of trails, and celebrate California's significant mountain biking culture, history, and incredible destinations.

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Comments

According to the author:

“ACR 152 would proclaim June 2024 to be CA Mountain Biking Month. Designating a CA Mountain Biking Month, following the League of American Bicyclists' already well-publicized National Bike Month in May, will promote participation in off-road cycling and mountain biking as a form of healthy outdoor recreation, and encourage people to connect with and experience their public lands and natural settings”.

FISCAL EFFECT: Appropriation: No Fiscal Com.: No Local: No

SUPPORT: (Verified 6/10/24)

California Mountain Biking Coalition (source)

OPPOSITION: (Verified 6/10/24)

None received

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