

Date of Hearing: April 29, 2026

ASSEMBLY COMMITTEE ON APPROPRIATIONS

Buffy Wicks, Chair

ACR 168 (Pacheco) – As Introduced March 26, 2026

Policy Committee: Judiciary

Vote: 12 - 0

Urgency:

State Mandated Local Program:

Reimbursable: No

SUMMARY:

This resolution reauthorizes the California Law Revision Commission (CLRC) to continue studying 14 previously approved topics and authorizes two new areas of study: the Education Code, including reporting requirements placed on local education agencies; and the Code of Civil Procedure, including statutes governing writ procedures.

FISCAL EFFECT:

Minor and absorbable costs to CLRC (General Fund). The resolution reauthorizes the CLRC's ongoing study calendar and adds two new topics. Consistent with prior biennial reauthorization resolutions, CLRC is expected to fold the new topics into its existing work calendar at its own pace given current staffing and resources.

COMMENTS:

- 1) **Purpose.** According to the author, the CLRC must be reauthorized at least once every two-year legislative session to continue its work. This resolution provides that reauthorization and adds two new study topics prompted by external requests: an Education Code study suggested by the California Association of School Business Officials regarding LEA reporting requirements, and a Code of Civil Procedure study suggested by Justice Daniel H. Bromberg of the Sixth District Court of Appeal regarding writ practices.
- 2) **Background.** The CLRC was created in 1953 and is tasked with reviewing California statutory and decisional law to identify defects and recommend reforms to the Legislature. CLRC may study topics it identifies in its own calendar of topics or topics assigned directly by the Legislature through statute or concurrent resolution. CLRC cannot begin work on a self-identified topic until the Legislature authorizes the study by concurrent resolution. This resolution reflects CLRC's recommendations in its annual report covering activities for 2025 and 2026. The resolution requires the CLRC, before commencing work on any authorized project, to submit a detailed description of the scope of work to the Assembly and Senate judiciary committees and any other policy committee with jurisdiction over the subject matter, and to notify those committees of any major changes to the scope of work during the project.

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