## SENATE RULES COMMITTEE

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## THIRD READING

Bill No: SCR 105

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Introduced: 9/8/25 Vote: 2.1

SUBJECT: Human Rights: Gaza

**SOURCE:** Author

**DIGEST:** This resolution reaffirms California's commitment to universal human rights and calls for the end to the humanitarian catastrophe in Gaza and the immediate release of all hostages.

**ANALYSIS:** This resolution makes the following legislative findings:

- 1) The horrific humanitarian catastrophe in Gaza caused by the conflict between Israel and Hamas has resulted in the documented loss of over 60,000 lives and the displacement of 1,700,000 Palestinians, and widespread destruction, prompting calls for immediate action for a cease-fire, humanitarian aid, and relief.
- 2) Hamas and allied fighters killed approximately 1,200 people in Israel, and kidnaped roughly 251 hostages during the horrific October 7 terror attacks; roughly 50 hostages remain living under dire conditions in Gaza.
- 3) The World Health Organization has reported a profound collapse of the health system, with many hospitals only partially functional and critical shortages of power, water, medicines, and supplies.
- 4) International humanitarian law prohibits removal of ethnic groups from their homelands, collective punishment, the use of civilians as human shields, and indiscriminate attacks that kill civilians, and United Nations bodies and the International Committee of the Red Cross have repeatedly reminded all parties including both the Israeli government and Hamas of these obligations.
- 5) California is home to significant Jewish, Muslim, Arab, Israeli, and Palestinian communities, each of which plays a significant role in the life of our state and

contributes to the beautiful tapestry that makes California the beacon of hope that it is, and California has a compelling interest in affirming human dignity, the protection of civilians, and the importance of compliance with international law.

This resolution supports and calls for immediate steps to end the humanitarian catastrophe in Gaza, including famine conditions, civilian casualties and injuries, destruction of homes and infrastructure, and the collapse of health and education systems.

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

**SUPPORT:** (Verified 9/11/25)

None received

**OPPOSITION:** (Verified 9/11/25)

None received

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