
THIRD READING

Bill No: SCR 112

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Introduced: 1/16/26

Vote: 21

SUBJECT: National Human Trafficking Awareness Month

SOURCE: Author

DIGEST: This resolution recognizes the month of January 2026 as National Human Trafficking Awareness Month.

ANALYSIS: This resolution makes the following legislative findings:

- 1) Classified as a felony, human trafficking is a form of modern slavery. It is a crime that involves the use of force, fraud, or coercion to recruit, harbor, transport, provide, or obtain a person for the purpose of labor or sexual exploitation. As one of the most underreported crimes, it is extremely difficult to conduct accurate surveys on human trafficking.
- 2) In 2021, the International Labour Organization (ILO) estimated that there were 49.6 million victims of human trafficking globally, of which 27.6 million were in forced labor and 22 million in forced marriage.
- 3) Recent research supported by the National Institute of Justice reveals that labor and sex trafficking data appearing in the Federal Bureau of Investigation's national Uniform Crime Reporting Program may significantly underestimate the extent of human trafficking crimes in the United States.
- 4) The Legislature recognizes the continuously growing crime of human trafficking within California due to its ever-increasing population, extensive international border, large immigrant population, and primary airports and harbors.
- 5) The State of California is committed to combating all forms of human trafficking, recovering victims, prosecuting offenders, advocating on behalf of

victims, raising community awareness, and strengthening collaborative partnerships.

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Related/Prior Legislation

SCR 97 – (Grove, Resolution Chapter 4, Statutes of 2024)

ACR 125 (Pellerin, Resolution Chapter 19, Statutes of 2024)

SR 52 – (Grove, 2024) From committee without further action.

HR 63 – (Villapudua, 2024) Died at desk.

SR 6 – (Grove, 2023) Adopted in Senate.

HR 7 – (Dahle, 2023) Adopted in Assembly.

SR 65 – (Grove, 2022) Adopted in Senate.

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

SUPPORT: (Verified 1/27/26)

None received

OPPOSITION: (Verified 1/27/26)

None received

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