

Date of Hearing: June 22, 2026

ASSEMBLY COMMITTEE ON RULES  
Blanca Pacheco, Chair  
SCR 187 (Ochoa Bogh) – As Introduced June 15, 2026

**SENATE VOTE:** 37-0

**SUBJECT:** Father's Day.

**SUMMARY:** Observes June 21, 2026, as Father's Day; and, calls upon all Californians to recognize and honor the contributions of millions of fathers and father figures who serve as dedicated parents and positive role models in the lives of their children. Specifically, **this resolution** makes the following legislative findings:

- 1) Since 1910, the United States has recognized the enduring and significant contributions of fathers through the celebration of Father's Day on the third Sunday in June.
- 2) Research shows that when fathers are actively involved in their children's lives, children often perform better in school, behave better, and build stronger friendships. Studies show that children who have involved fathers experience improved mental and emotional health.
- 3) The quality of a father's involvement can have a profound influence on children's beliefs about relationships and their willingness to invest in future romantic partnerships. Greater father involvement has been associated with positive child development.
- 4) In the words of President Barack Obama, fathers "are teachers and coaches. They are mentors and role models. They are examples of success and the men who constantly push us toward it."
- 5) Studies by the University of California, Berkeley, show that the presence of a close father in adult children's lives can have a significant influence on their social networks by providing both tangible and intangible skills and resources.
- 6) Children with supportive and engaged fathers tend to develop stronger social competence, healthier peer relationships, and improved communication and language skills. Supportive coparenting relationships between fathers and mothers are critically important and are associated with better self-regulation and fewer behavioral problems in children.
- 7) Research shows that fathers play a vital role in children's health outcomes and overall development, including reduced risk of childhood obesity and improvements in sleep habits.
- 8) Positive father-child relationships are associated with higher life satisfaction and greater self-esteem among both boys and girls.
- 9) In the words of President George W. Bush, "Fathers are one of the most important influences in the lives of children, and their unconditional love is an indispensable anchor of certainty and strength."

**FISCAL EFFECT:** This resolution is keyed non-fiscal by Legislative Counsel.

**REGISTERED SUPPORT / OPPOSITION:**

**Support**

None on file

**Opposition**

None on file

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