

THIRD READING

Bill No: SR 116
Author: Cervantes (D), et al.
Introduced: 5/26/26
Vote: Majority

SUBJECT: Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual, Transgender, and Queer (LGBTQ+) Pride Month.

SOURCE: Author

DIGEST: This resolution proclaims Senate proclaims June 2026 as Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual, Transgender, and Queer (LGBTQ+) Pride Month, urges all Californians to join in celebrating the culture, accomplishments, and contributions of LGBTQ+ people, and encourages the people of California to work to help advance the cause of equality for LGBTQ+ people and their families.

ANALYSIS: This resolution makes the following legislative findings:

- 1) LGBTQ+ people have made important and lasting contributions to our great state and nation in every field of endeavor, including, but not limited to, business, medicine, law, humanities, science, literature, politics, education, music, philanthropy, sports and athletics, arts, and culture, that enrich our national life.
- 2) The transgender, gender-diverse, and intersex (TGI) community in particular has gained newfound prominence in media, entertainment, sports, and business, raising awareness about gender identity and the obstacles this community continues to face.
- 3) In January 2023, California became the first state legislature in the nation to reach 10 % representation for LGBTQ+ individuals, matching the estimated 10 % of people identifying as LGBTQ+ in California.
- 4) While California’s Legislature has achieved record representation, the Legislature still does not have any TGI or two-spirit representation, further

calling on the need to achieve representation from all members of the LGBTQ+ community.

- 5) California has become a safe haven for many LGBTQ+ people across the United States, its territories, and beyond, including for its access to health care and robust civil rights laws allowing LGBTQ+ people to live their authentic lives.
- 6) June 1 to June 30 spotlights LGBTQ+ people and their voices, increases awareness and knowledge of issues impacting the LGBTQ+ community, and commemorates lives lost to hate and violence, as well as health epidemics, amongst additional efforts to support the diverse LGBTQ+ community.

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Related/Prior Legislation

HR 115 (Ward, 2026), Held in Assembly Rules Committee

HR 43 (Ward, 2025), Adopted in the Assembly

SR 48 (Menjivar, 2025), Adopted in the Senate

SR 96 (Eggman, 2024), Adopted in the Senate

HR 101 (Ward, 2024), Adopted in the Assembly

SR 33 (Eggman, 2023), Adopted in the Senate

HR 33 (Ward, 2023), Adopted in the Assembly

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

SUPPORT: (Verified 6/1/26)

None received

OPPOSITION: (Verified 6/1/26)

None received

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