

THIRD READING

Bill No: SR 122
Author: Valladares (R), et al.
Introduced: 7/2/26
Vote: Majority

SUBJECT: Pancreatic Cancer Awareness Month

SOURCE: Author

DIGEST: This resolution proclaims November 2026 as Pancreatic Cancer Awareness Month in California and urges all Californians to take action to end pancreatic cancer.

ANALYSIS: This resolution makes the following legislative findings:

1. In 2026, an estimated 67,530 Americans will be diagnosed with pancreatic cancer, and 52,740 will die from the disease.
2. Despite its devastating impact, pancreatic cancer research continues to receive disproportionately low federal funding. In 2023, the National Cancer Institute (NCI) had a budget of nearly \$7,700,000,000. In 2023, only \$237,600,000 went towards pancreatic cancer research.
3. The Pancreatic Cancer Action Network (PanCAN) is a national patient advocacy organization that takes bold action to improve the lives of everyone impacted by pancreatic cancer by advancing scientific research, building community, sharing knowledge, and advocating for patients. The organization has invested \$249,000,000 in pancreatic cancer research and scientific programs to advance the field.
4. The good health and well-being of the residents of California are enhanced as a direct result of increased awareness about pancreatic cancer and research into early detection, causes, and effective treatments.

This resolution recognizes that federal funding is not keeping pace with the tremendous interest and commitment by the scientific community to advance pancreatic cancer research.

Related/Prior Legislation

SR 62 (Valladares, 2025, Adopted in Senate)

HR 129 (Valladares, 2021, Adopted in Assembly)

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

SUPPORT: (Verified 8/3/26)

None received

OPPOSITION: (Verified 8/3/26)

None received

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