
THIRD READING

Bill No: SR 60
Author: Rubio (D), et al.
Amended: 8/21/25
Vote: Majority

SUBJECT: Elimination of Violence Against Women Day

SOURCE: Author

DIGEST: This resolution proclaims November 25, 2025, as Elimination of Violence Against Women Day throughout the State of California.

ANALYSIS: This resolution makes the following legislative findings:

- 1) The United Nations Development Programme identifies this violence as a result of systemic gender inequality, discrimination, power imbalances, and harmful social norms. Violence against women includes not only physical abuse, but also psychological, sexual, and financial forms of harm, impacting every aspect of a woman's life.
- 2) In response to this public health crisis, the United Nations designated November 25 as the International Day for the Elimination of Violence Against Women. This date honors the courage and sacrifice of the Mirabal sisters, political activists from the Dominican Republic who were assassinated by Dictator Rafael Trujillo for their resistance to his brutal regime.
- 3) 2025 marks the 26th anniversary of this international day of observance. Despite decades of advocacy, violence against women remains alarmingly prevalent. In California alone, 86% of women report having experienced some form of sexual harassment or assault in their lifetime.
- 4) Addressing this violence requires more than policy reforms; it demands a cultural transformation to dismantle the social norms and power structures that perpetuate harm and silence survivors.
- 5) Women make up 49.73% of the global population, yet they give birth to 100% of it. The California State Senate recognizes the invaluable contributions of

women to our state and to the global community, and reaffirms its commitment to ending all forms of violence against women and girls

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Related/Prior Legislation

HR 50 (Stefani, 2025)

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

SUPPORT: (Verified 08/27/25)

None received

OPPOSITION: (Verified 08/27/25)

None received

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