
THIRD READING

Bill No: SR 88
Author: Blakespear (D), et al.
Introduced: 3/12/26
Vote: Majority

SUBJECT: Modern Biotechnology

SOURCE: Author

DIGEST: This resolution recognizes and celebrates the 20th anniversary of the California Biotechnology Foundation and commemorates the 50th anniversary of modern biotechnology that honors California's scientists, innovators, educators, and policymakers whose leadership continues to advance medicine, strengthen the state's economy, and improve lives throughout California and around the world.

ANALYSIS: This resolution makes the following legislative findings:

- 1) California is widely recognized as the birthplace of modern biotechnology with emerging groundbreaking scientific discoveries in the early 1970s, including recombinant DNA and genetic engineering, which launched a new era of medicine and scientific innovation.
- 2) The California Biotechnology Foundation was established in 2006 pursuant to Section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code as a nonprofit organization dedicated to education and outreach and serves as a trusted resource to policymakers and stakeholders on the value and impact of biotechnology.
- 3) As these dual anniversaries are celebrated and California's life science industry enters the next era, the California Biotechnology Foundation reaffirms its mission to support innovation and inform legislative policies that translate scientific discovery into real therapies that improve and save lives, thereby ensuring that California's continued leadership delivers economic growth, earlier diagnoses, and better outcomes for patients across the state and around the world.

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Related/Prior Legislation

SR 111 (Blakespear, 2024) – Adopted in the Senate.

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

SUPPORT: (Verified 3/24/26)

None received

OPPOSITION: (Verified 3/24/26)

None received

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