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ASSEMBLY DAILY JOURNAL

Thursday, January 16, 2025

NINTH SESSION DAY

FORTY-SIXTH CALENDAR DAY

AT SACRAMENTO, CALIFORNIA



NOTE: Official record of rollcall votes. All amendments considered by the Assembly on this day are on file with the Chief Clerk of the Assembly and available on request. All Senate amendments to Assembly measures considered by the Assembly on this day are on file with the Secretary of the Senate and available on request. A list of all measures amended and on which amendments were offered in the Assembly is shown on the final page of this day's Assembly Journal.

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PROCEEDINGS OF THE ASSEMBLY

IN ASSEMBLY

Assembly Chamber, Sacramento
Thursday, January 16, 2025

The Assembly met at 7 a.m.

Hon. Tri Ta, Assembly Member, 70th District, presiding.

Chief Clerk Sue Parker at the Desk.

Reading Clerk David A. Bowman reading.

ROLLCALL

The following were placed upon the morning rollcall—46:

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| Addis | DeMaio | Lackey | Rubio |
| Ahrens | Dixon | Lee | Sanchez |
| Alanis | Flora | Macedo | Sharp-Collins |
| Arambula | Garcia | Nguyen | Soria |
| Avila Farias | Gipson | Ortega | Stefani |
| Bauer-Kahan | Gonzalez, J. | Papan | Ta |
| Berman | Hadwick | Patel | Tangipa |
| Boerner | Hart | Patterson | Valencia |
| Carrillo | Hoover | Petrie-Norris | Ward |
| Castillo | Jackson | Ransom | Wilson |
| Chen | Kalra | Rodriguez, M. | |
| Davies | Krell | Rogers | |

Quorum present.

At 2:22 p.m., Hon. Corey A. Jackson, 60th District, presiding

REGULAR BUSINESS DISPENSED WITH

By unanimous consent, the regular order of business of the Assembly was dispensed with for this legislative day.

LEAVES OF ABSENCE FOR THE DAY

By unanimous consent, the following Assembly Members were granted leaves of absence for the day:

On legislative business: Assembly Members Aguiar-Curry, Bains, Bennett, Bryan, Calderon, Caloza, Connolly, Elhawary, Essayli, Fong, Gabriel, Gallagher, Mark González, Haney, Harabedian, Irwin, Lowenthal, McKinnor, Muratsuchi, Pacheco, Quirk-Silva, Rivas, Celeste Rodriguez, Schiavo, Schultz, Solache, Jr., Wallis, Wicks, and Zbur.

On personal business, and waiving per diem: Assembly Member Alvarez.

Because of illness: Assembly Members Pellerin and Ramos.

Because of illness in her family: Assembly Member Bonta.

EXPLANATIONS OF ABSENCE

Pursuant to the Assembly Rules, the following explanations of absence were ordered printed in the Journal:

January 14, 2025

The Honorable Robert Rivas
Speaker of the Assembly
State Capitol, Room 219
Sacramento, California

Dear Speaker Rivas: I respectfully request to be excused from Check-in Session on Thursday, January 16th for legislative business. I'm traveling to Los Angeles for the LA Fires Press Conference with the Speaker and to assist members of the LA Delegation with the fire disaster response.

Should you have any questions or concerns, please do not hesitate to contact my office.

Thank you for your consideration.

Sincerely,

CECILIA M. AGUIAR-CURRY, Assembly Member
Fourth District

January 10, 2025

The Honorable Robert Rivas
Speaker of the Assembly
State Capitol, Room 219
Sacramento, California

Dear Speaker Rivas: I respectfully request to be excused from Check-in on Thursday, January 16th on legislative business, so that I may attend an important planning Commission meeting in my district.

Thank you in advance for your consideration of this request.

Sincerely,

JASMEET KAUR BAINS, M.D., Assembly Member
Thirty-fifth District

January 14, 2025

The Honorable Robert Rivas
Speaker of the Assembly
State Capitol, Room 219
Sacramento, California

Dear Speaker Rivas: I respectfully request permission to be excused from Check-in Session on Thursday, January 16, 2025 due to legislative business.

Thank you for your consideration of this request.

Sincerely,

LISA CALDERON, Assembly Member
Fifty-sixth District

January 14, 2025

The Honorable Robert Rivas
Speaker of the Assembly
State Capitol, Room 219
Sacramento, California

Dear Speaker Rivas: I respectfully request permission to be excused from Check-in Session on Thursday, January 16, 2025 due to legislative business.

Thank you for your consideration of this request.

Sincerely,

JESSICA M. CALOZA, Assembly Member
Fifty-second District

January 16, 2025

The Honorable Robert Rivas
Speaker of the Assembly
State Capitol, Room 219
Sacramento, California

Dear Speaker Rivas: I respectfully request permission to be excused from Check-in Session on Thursday, January 16 due to legislative business in my District.

Thank you for your consideration of this request.

Sincerely,

DAMON CONNOLLY, Assembly Member
Twelfth District

January 14, 2025

The Honorable Robert Rivas
Speaker of the Assembly
State Capitol, Room 219
Sacramento, California

Dear Speaker Rivas: I respectfully request to be excused from Check-in Session on January 16, 2025 for legislative business to attend a press conference in Los Angeles relative to the wildfires.

Thank you for your consideration of this request.

Sincerely,

SADE ELHAWARY, Assembly Member
Fifty-seventh District

January 7, 2025

*The Honorable Robert Rivas
Speaker of the Assembly
State Capitol, Room 219
Sacramento, California*

Dear Speaker Rivas: I respectfully request to be excused from Check-in Session on Thursday, January 16 for legislative business. Thank you for your consideration of this request.

Sincerely,

BILL ESSAYLI, Assemblyman
Sixty-third District

January 14, 2025

*The Honorable Robert Rivas
Speaker of the Assembly
State Capitol, Room 219
Sacramento, California*

Dear Mr. Speaker: I respectfully request to be excused from Check-in Session on Thursday, January 16, 2025, due to Los Angeles County fires.

Thank you for your consideration of this request.

Sincerely,

MIKE FONG, Assembly Member
Forty-ninth District

January 6, 2025

*The Honorable Robert Rivas
Speaker of the Assembly
State Capitol, Room 219
Sacramento, California*

Dear Mr. Speaker: I respectfully request to be excused from Check-in Session on January 16th for legislative business. I will be in the district conducting constituent meetings.

Thank you for your assistance.

Sincerely,

JAMES GALLAGHER, Assembly Member
Third District

January 14, 2025

*The Honorable Robert Rivas
Speaker of the Assembly
State Capitol, Room 219
Sacramento, California*

Dear Speaker Rivas: I respectfully request permission to be excused from Check-in Session on Thursday, January 16, 2025 due to legislative business.

Thank you for your consideration of this request.

Sincerely,

MATT HANEY, Assembly Member
Seventeenth District

January 15, 2025

*The Honorable Robert Rivas
Speaker of the Assembly
State Capitol, Room 219
Sacramento, California*

Dear Speaker Rivas: I respectfully request permission to be excused from Check-in Session on Thursday, January 16, 2025 to attend the Wildfire Legislation Press Conference in Pasadena.

Thank you for your consideration of this request.

Sincerely,

JOSH LOWENTHAL, Assembly Member
Sixty-ninth District

January 14, 2025

*The Honorable Robert Rivas
Speaker of the Assembly
State Capitol, Room 219
Sacramento, California*

Dear Speaker Rivas: I respectfully request permission to be excused from Check-in Session on Thursday, January 16, 2025 due to legislative business. I will be participating in the Wildfire Legislation Press Conference in Pasadena.

Thank you for your attention to this matter.

Sincerely,

TINA S. MCKINNOR, Assembly Member
Sixty-first District

January 15, 2025

*The Honorable Robert Rivas
Speaker of the Assembly
State Capitol, Room 219
Sacramento, California*

Dear Speaker Rivas: I respectfully request to be excused from Check-in Session on Thursday, January 16th due to legislative business. Thank you for your consideration of this request.

Sincerely,

AL MURATSUCHI, Assembly Member
Sixty-sixth District

January 14, 2025

*The Honorable Robert Rivas
Speaker of the Assembly
State Capitol, Room 219
Sacramento, California*

Dear Speaker Rivas: I respectfully request permission to be excused from Check-in Session on Thursday, January 16, 2025 due to legislative business.

Thank you for your consideration of this request.

Sincerely,

BLANCA PACHECO, Assembly Member
Sixty-fourth District

January 15, 2025

*The Honorable Robert Rivas
Speaker of the Assembly
State Capitol, Room 219
Sacramento, California*

Dear Speaker Rivas: I respectfully request permission to be excused from Check-in Session on Thursday, January 16, 2025 due to legislative business, i.e. the Wildfire Legislation Press Conference with Speaker Rivas taking place on Thursday, January 16.

Thank you for your consideration of this request.

Sincerely,

SHARON QUIRK-SILVA, Assembly Member
Sixty-seventh District

January 14, 2025

The Honorable Robert Rivas
Speaker of the Assembly
State Capitol, Room 219
Sacramento, California

Dear Speaker Rivas: I respectfully request permission to be excused from Check-in Session on Thursday, January 16, 2025 due to legislative business.

Thank you for your consideration of this request.

Sincerely,

CELESTE RODRIGUEZ, Assembly Member
 Forty-third District

January 13, 2025

The Honorable Robert Rivas
Speaker of the Assembly
State Capitol, Room 219
Sacramento, California

Dear Speaker Rivas: I respectfully request permission to be excused from Check-in Session on January 16th for legislative business. I would like to attend your press conference in Los Angeles on the fires affecting all of our constituents.

Sincerely,

PILAR SCHIAVO, Assembly Member
 Fortieth District

January 13, 2025

The Honorable Robert Rivas
Speaker of the Assembly
State Capitol, Room 219
Sacramento, California

Dear Mr. Speaker: This letter is to kindly request your approval to be excused from Check-in Session on January 16, 2025 to attend the press conference with Speaker Rivas in Los Angeles. I will return on January 17, 2025 in time to attend Floor Session.

Thank you for your consideration of this request.

Sincerely,

JOSÉ LUIS SOLACHE, JR., Assembly Member
 Sixty-second District

(NOTE: For letter explaining the absence of Assembly Member Harabedian on this day on legislative business, pursuant to the Assembly Rules, see Assembly Journal for Monday, January 13, 2025; for letters explaining the absence of Assembly Members Bennett and Irwin on this day on legislative business, pursuant to the Assembly Rules, see Assembly Journal for Tuesday, January 14, 2025; for letters explaining the absence of Assembly Members Bryan, Gabriel, Mark González, Rivas, Schultz, Wallis, Wicks, and Zbur on this day on legislative business, pursuant to the Assembly Rules, see Assembly Journal for Wednesday, January 15, 2025.)

COMMUNICATIONS

The following communication was presented by the Chief Clerk and ordered printed in the Journal:

January 16, 2025

*Sue Parker
Chief Clerk of the Assembly
State Capitol, Room 319
Sacramento, California*

RE: Appointment of Lenore Tate to
the California Commission on Aging

Dear Ms. Parker: Please be advised that I have appointed Ms. Lenore Tate to the California Commission on Aging for a term appointment effective January 16, 2025 and the expiration date is January 16, 2028. Ms. Tate will be replacing Ms. Cheryl Brown.

If you have any questions, please feel free to contact my office.

Sincerely,

ROBERT RIVAS
Speaker of the Assembly

**INTRODUCTION AND FIRST READING OF
ASSEMBLY BILLS**

The following bills were introduced and read the first time:

ASSEMBLY BILL NO. 255—Haney (Principal coauthor: Stefani). An act to add Division 10.95 (commencing with Section 11999.45) to the Health and Safety Code, and to amend Section 8255 of the Welfare and Institutions Code, relating to public health.

ASSEMBLY BILL NO. 256—DeMaio. An act relating to firearms.

ASSEMBLY BILL NO. 257—Flora. An act to add Division 121 (commencing with Section 151100) to the Health and Safety Code, relating to health care coverage.

ASSEMBLY BILL NO. 258—Connolly. An act to amend Section 3203 of the Food and Agricultural Code, relating to fairs.

ASSEMBLY BILL NO. 259—Blanca Rubio. An act to amend and repeal Sections 54953 and 54954.2 of the Government Code, relating to local government.

ASSEMBLY BILL NO. 260—Aguiar-Curry. An act relating to sexual and reproductive health care.

ASSEMBLY BILL NO. 261—Quirk-Silva. An act to amend Section 51178 of the Government Code, and to amend Section 4204 of the Public Resources Code, relating to fire safety.

ASSEMBLY BILL NO. 262—Caloza. An act to add Article 4.5 (commencing with Section 8688) to Chapter 7.5 of Division 1 of Title 2 of the Government Code, relating to disaster assistance, making an appropriation therefor, and declaring the urgency thereof, to take effect immediately.

ASSEMBLY BILL NO. 263—Rogers. An act to amend Section 1058.5 of the Water Code, relating to water.

ASSEMBLY BILL NO. 264—Carrillo. An act to repeal Section 896.1 of the Military and Veterans Code, relating to veterans.

The following resolution was introduced and read the first time:

ASSEMBLY CONSTITUTIONAL AMENDMENT NO. 3—Haney (Principal coauthor: Gipson) (Coauthors: Ahrens, Alanis, Arambula, Bonta, Davies, Garcia, Mark González, Jackson, Kalra, Krell, Lee, Ortega, Schultz, Sharp-Collins, Solache, and Wallis) (Coauthor: Senator Durazo). A resolution to propose to the people of the State of California an amendment to the Constitution of the State, by adding Section 9.1 to Article IX thereof, relating to the University of California.

The following resolution was offered:

ASSEMBLY CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 16—Gallagher. Relative to the POW/MIA Bridge.

ADJOURNMENT

At 3 p.m., the Assembly adjourned to reconvene upon call of the Speaker.

ROBERT GARCIA, Assistant Majority Leader

DANIEL ALVAREZ, Assistant Minute Clerk