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Thursday, March 5, 2026

ONE HUNDRED SIXTY-FOURTH SESSION DAY

FOUR HUNDRED FIFTY-NINTH 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, March 5, 2026

The Assembly met at 9 a.m.

Hon. Josh Lowenthal, Speaker pro Tempore of the Assembly, presiding.

Chief Clerk Sue Parker at the Desk.

Reading Clerk David A. Bowman reading.

ROLLCALL

The roll was called.

Quorum Call of the Assembly

Assembly Member Hadwick moved a quorum call of the Assembly.

Motion carried. Time, 9:02 a.m.

The Speaker pro Tempore directed the Sergeant at Arms to close the doors and to bring in the absent Members.

Quorum Present

At 9:18 a.m., Speaker pro Tempore Lowenthal declared a quorum of the Assembly present.

The rollcall was completed, and the following answered to their names—76:

Addis	Davies	Jackson	Ransom
Aguiar-Curry	DeMaio	Johnson	Rodriguez, M.
Ahrens	Dixon	Kalra	Rogers
Alanis	Elhawary	Krell	Rubio
Alvarez	Ellis	Lackey	Sanchez
Arambula	Flora	Lee	Schiavo
Ávila Farías	Fong	Lowenthal	Schultz
Bains	Gabriel	McKinnor	Solache
Bauer-Kahan	Gallagher	Muratsuchi	Soria
Bennett	Garcia	Nguyen	Stefani
Berman	Gipson	Ortega	Ta
Boerner	Gonzalez, J.	Pacheco	Tangipa
Bonta	González, M.	Papan	Valencia
Bryan	Hadwick	Patel	Wallis
Calderon	Haney	Patterson	Ward
Caloza	Harabedian	Pellerin	Wicks
Carrillo	Hart	Petrie-Norris	Wilson
Castillo	Hoover	Quirk-Silva	Zbur
Connolly	Irwin	Ramos	Mr. Speaker

PRAYER

Upon invitation of Speaker pro Tempore Lowenthal, the following prayer was offered by Reverend Patti Oshita:

"Be kind, for everyone we know is fighting a battle we know nothing about."

I felt there was truth within this quote from the first time I heard it. Versions of this quote have been attributed to Plato and Socrates and a Scottish cleric from the 1870's, Rev. John Watson. It is also a phrase that the late Robin Williams would often share. After he chose to end his personal struggle in August of 2014, this quote took on an even deeper meaning.

"Be kind, for everyone we know is fighting a battle we know nothing about."

These words are now, for me, much more than just an inspiration; they describe my life.

Bob says chemotherapy is a roller-coaster ride in the pitch dark. We know there are twists and turns and sudden drops, but we never know what's coming until it's happening. Even more, we realize how unpredictable life can be.

And life is teaching us again, that we must not take for granted our loving families, the warm companionship of our friends . . . or the gift of each and every day. Let us hold close the people we love while we have them.

And in our interactions with all people, let us try to "be kind, for everyone we know is fighting a battle that we know nothing about."

Namo Amida Butsu—Let us try to live with kindness and gratitude beyond words.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE TO THE FLAG

Upon request of Speaker pro Tempore Lowenthal, Assembly Member Jackson then led the Assembly in the pledge of allegiance to the Flag.

MOTION TO DISPENSE WITH READING OF THE JOURNAL

Further reading of the Journal of the previous legislative day was dispensed with on motion of Assembly Member Garcia, seconded by Assembly Member Ta.

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 Chen and Macedo.

Because of illness: Assembly Member Sharp-Collins.

On maternity leave: Assembly Member Celeste Rodriguez.

EXPLANATIONS OF ABSENCE

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

March 5, 2026

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

Dear Speaker Rivas: This letter is to respectfully request to be excused from Floor Session on March 5th, 2026 to attend legislative meetings in the district with local stakeholders and my capitol and district staff.

Thank you for your consideration of this request.

Sincerely,

PHILLIP CHEN, Assemblyman
Fifty-ninth District

February 23, 2026

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

Dear Speaker Rivas: I respectfully request the approval to be excused from Floor Session on Thursday, March 5, 2026 due to a meeting with a constituent in my district office.

Thank you for your consideration of this request.

Sincerely,

ALEXANDRA M. MACEDO, Assemblywoman
Thirty-third District

COMMUNICATIONS

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

March 5, 2026

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

Dear Ms. Parker: Please be advised that I have appointed Assembly Member Chris Rogers to replace Assembly Member Celeste Rodriguez on the Assembly Health Committee for the Tuesday, March 17 hearing.

Sincerely,

ROBERT RIVAS
Speaker of the Assembly

SPECIAL COMMITTEE MEETINGS

By unanimous consent, the following committees were permitted to meet:

Public Safety, on Tuesday, March 17, 2026, at 8:30 a.m., in Room 126;

Public Safety, on Tuesday, March 24, 2026, at 8:30 a.m., in Room 126;

Public Safety, on Tuesday, April 7, 2026, at 8:30 a.m., in Room 126;

Public Safety, on Tuesday, April 14, 2026, at 8:30 a.m., in Room 126;

Public Safety, on Tuesday, April 21, 2026, at 8:30 a.m., in Room 126;

Budget Subcommittee No. 3 on Education Finance, on Wednesday, March 18, 2026, at 1:30 p.m., in Room 444.

ENGROSSMENT AND ENROLLMENT REPORTS

Assembly Chamber, March 5, 2026

Mr. Speaker: Pursuant to your instructions, the Chief Clerk has examined:

Assembly Bill No. 1594
Assembly Bill No. 1621
Assembly Bill No. 1673

And reports the same correctly engrossed.

SUE PARKER, Chief Clerk

Above bills re-referred to committee.

RE-REFERENCE OF BILLS PURSUANT TO ASSEMBLY RULE 96

Pursuant to Assembly Rule 96, Assembly Member Garcia was granted unanimous consent that the following bill be re-referred as noted:

Assembly Bill No. 2022 from the Committee on Revenue and Taxation to the Committee on Military and Veterans Affairs, and to be returned to the Committee on Revenue and Taxation.

ACTION RESCINDED ON SENATE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 112

Assembly Member Garcia was granted unanimous consent to rescind the action whereby the Assembly, on February 26, 2026 (Assembly Journal, page 4103), adopted Senate Concurrent Resolution No. 112 and whereby the resolution was ordered transmitted to the Senate.

CONSIDERATION OF DAILY FILE SECOND READING OF ASSEMBLY BILLS

ASSEMBLY BILL NO. 1566—An act to amend Section 11165.2 of the Penal Code, relating to crimes.

Bill read second time and ordered to third reading.

ASSEMBLY BILL NO. 1589—An act to amend Section 33415 of the Penal Code, relating to firearms.

Bill read second time and ordered to third reading.

ASSEMBLY BILL NO. 1583—An act to add Section 786.6 to the Penal Code, relating to criminal procedure.

Bill read second time and ordered to Consent Calendar.

ASSEMBLY BILL NO. 1656—An act to amend Section 1050 of the Penal Code, relating to human trafficking.

Bill read second time; amendments proposed by the Committee on Public Safety read and adopted; bill ordered reprinted and to be returned to the second reading file.

ASSEMBLY BILL NO. 1535—An act to amend Sections 422.55 and 422.56 of the Penal Code, relating to hate crimes.

Bill read second time; amendments proposed by the Committee on Public Safety read and adopted; bill ordered reprinted and to be re-referred to the Committee on Appropriations.

ASSEMBLY BILL NO. 1568—An act to amend Section 290.5 of the Penal Code, relating to sex offenses.

Bill read second time; amendments proposed by the Committee on Public Safety read and adopted; bill ordered reprinted and to be re-referred to the Committee on Appropriations.

ENGROSSMENT AND ENROLLMENT REPORTS

Assembly Chamber, March 5, 2026

Mr. Speaker: Pursuant to your instructions, the Chief Clerk has examined:

Assembly Bill No. 1566
Assembly Bill No. 1589

And reports the same correctly engrossed.

SUE PARKER, Chief Clerk

Above bills ordered to third reading file.

Assembly Chamber, March 5, 2026

Mr. Speaker: Pursuant to your instructions, the Chief Clerk has examined:

Assembly Bill No. 1583

And reports the same correctly engrossed.

SUE PARKER, Chief Clerk

Above bill ordered to the Consent Calendar.

CONSIDERATION OF DAILY FILE (RESUMED)
THIRD READING OF ASSEMBLY BILLS

ASSEMBLY CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 145 (Caloza)—Relative to Women in Construction Week.

Resolution read.

Request for Use of Visual Aids

Assembly Member Caloza was granted unanimous consent to use visual aids on the Floor to assist in debate.

Members Made Coauthors of Assembly Concurrent Resolution No. 145

Upon request of Assembly Member Caloza, the following Members were permitted to be listed as additional coauthors of Assembly Concurrent Resolution No. 145.

Additional Coauthors

The following Assembly Members requested to be listed as additional coauthors:

Addis, Aguiar-Curry, Ahrens, Alanis, Alvarez, Arambula, Ávila Farías, Bains, Bauer-Kahan, Bennett, Berman, Boerner, Bonta, Bryan, Calderon, Carrillo, Connolly, Davies, DeMaio, Dixon, Elhawary, Flora, Fong, Gabriel, Gallagher, Garcia, Gipson, Jeff Gonzalez, Mark González, Hadwick, Haney, Harabedian, Hart, Hoover, Irwin, Jackson, Johnson, Kalra, Krell, Lackey, Lee, Lowenthal, McKinnor, Muratsuchi, Nguyen, Ortega, Pacheco, Papan, Patel, Patterson, Pellerin, Petrie-Norris, Quirk-Silva, Ramos, Ransom, Rivas, Michelle Rodriguez, Rogers, Blanca Rubio, Sanchez, Schiavo, Schultz, Solache, Soria, Stefani, Ta, Tangipa, Valencia, Wallis, Ward, Wicks, Wilson, and Zbur.

Request for Unanimous Consent

Assembly Member Caloza was granted unanimous consent to take up Assembly Concurrent Resolution No. 145, as revised, without reference to print or file, and that the same be considered engrossed.

Consideration of Assembly Concurrent Resolution No. 145, as Revised

ASSEMBLY CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 145—Relative to Women in Construction Week.

Resolution read, as revised, and adopted.

Resolution ordered reprinted and transmitted to the Senate.

INTRODUCTION OF GUESTS

In conjunction with Assembly Concurrent Resolution No. 145 relative to Women in Construction Week, Assembly Member Caloza, of the 52nd Assembly District, introduced women from the construction industry.

CONSIDERATION OF DAILY FILE (RESUMED)
CONSIDERATION OF CONSENT CALENDAR

The Speaker pro Tempore announced that the next rollcall would be on the Consent Calendar.

Consent Calendar—Assembly Resolutions

ASSEMBLY CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 135 (Patel)—Relative to School Breakfast Week.

Members Made Coauthors of Assembly Concurrent Resolution No. 135

By unanimous consent, the following Members were permitted to be listed as additional coauthors of Assembly Concurrent Resolution No. 135.

Additional Coauthors

The following Assembly Members requested to be listed as additional coauthors:

Addis, Aguiar-Curry, Alanis, Alvarez, Arambula, Ávila Farías, Bains, Bauer-Kahan, Bennett, Berman, Boerner, Bonta, Bryan, Calderon, Caloza, Carrillo, Connolly, Davies, DeMaio, Dixon, Elhawary, Ellis, Flora, Fong, Gabriel, Gallagher, Garcia, Gipson, Jeff Gonzalez, Mark González, Hadwick, Haney, Harabedian, Hart, Hoover, Jackson, Johnson, Kalra, Krell, Lackey, Lee, Lowenthal, McKinnor, Muratsuchi, Nguyen, Ortega, Pacheco, Papan, Patterson, Pellerin, Petrie-Norris, Quirk-Silva, Ramos, Ransom, Rivas, Michelle Rodriguez, Rogers, Blanca Rubio, Sanchez, Schiavo, Schultz, Solache, Soria, Stefani, Ta, Tangipa, Valencia, Wallis, Ward, Wicks, Wilson, and Zbur.

Resolution read, as revised, adopted, and ordered transmitted to the Senate.

(For the vote on the above resolution, see this day's Consent Calendar rollcall.)

ASSEMBLY CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 144 (Hadwick)—Relative to certified registered nurse anesthetists.

Resolution read, adopted, and ordered transmitted to the Senate.

(For the vote on the above resolution, see this day's Consent Calendar rollcall.)

Consent Calendar—Senate Resolutions

SENATE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 122 (Weber Pierson)—Relative to Black History Month.

Resolution read and adopted by the following vote:

AYES—72

Addis	Dixon	Kalra	Rodriguez, M.
Aguiar-Curry	Elhawary	Krell	Rogers
Alanis	Ellis	Lackey	Rubio
Alvarez	Flora	Lee	Sanchez
Arambula	Fong	Lowenthal	Schiavo
Ávila Farías	Gabriel	McKinnor	Schultz
Bains	Gallagher	Muratsuchi	Solache
Bauer-Kahan	Garcia	Nguyen	Soria
Bennett	Gipson	Ortega	Stefani
Berman	Gonzalez, J.	Pacheco	Ta
Boerner	González, M.	Papan	Tangipa
Bonta	Hadwick	Patel	Valencia
Bryan	Haney	Patterson	Wallis
Calderon	Harabedian	Pellerin	Ward
Caloza	Hart	Petrie-Norris	Wicks
Carrillo	Hoover	Quirk-Silva	Wilson
Connolly	Jackson	Ramos	Zbur
Davies	Johnson	Ransom	Mr. Speaker

NOES—None

Resolution ordered transmitted to the Senate.

Consent Calendar Rollcall

The roll was called and the preceding resolutions on the Consent Calendar were adopted by the following vote:

AYES—73

Addis	Dixon	Krell	Rubio
Aguiar-Curry	Elhawary	Lackey	Sanchez
Alanis	Ellis	Lee	Schiavo
Alvarez	Flora	Lowenthal	Schultz
Arambula	Fong	McKinnor	Solache
Ávila Farías	Gabriel	Muratsuchi	Soria
Bains	Gallagher	Nguyen	Stefani
Bauer-Kahan	Garcia	Ortega	Ta
Bennett	Gipson	Pacheco	Tangipa
Berman	Gonzalez, J.	Papan	Valencia
Boerner	González, M.	Patel	Wallis
Bonta	Hadwick	Patterson	Ward
Bryan	Haney	Pellerin	Wicks
Calderon	Harabedian	Petrie-Norris	Wilson
Caloza	Hart	Quirk-Silva	Zbur
Carrillo	Hoover	Ramos	Mr. Speaker
Connolly	Jackson	Ransom	
Davies	Johnson	Rodriguez, M.	
DeMaio	Kalra	Rogers	

NOES—None

QUORUM CALL OF THE ASSEMBLY DISPENSED WITH

At 9:37 a.m., without objection, Speaker pro Tempore Lowenthal declared the quorum call of the Assembly dispensed with.

ADJOURN IN MEMORY

Assembly Member Muratsuchi was granted unanimous consent that when the Assembly adjourns on this day it do so out of respect to the memory of Eileen Hupp of Irvine.

(Assembly Rule 45.5 suspended.)

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Speaker pro Tempore Lowenthal announced the following session schedule:

Friday, March 6, 2026, No session;
Monday, March 9, 2026, Floor Session, 1 p.m.

CONSIDERATION OF DAILY FILE (RESUMED)
UNFINISHED BUSINESS
MOTIONS TO RECONSIDER BILLS CONTINUED

By unanimous consent, the motions to reconsider the votes on Senate Bill No. 295 and Assembly Bills Nos. 1231 and 596 were continued until the next legislative day.

VOTE ADDS

The following Assembly Members were granted unanimous consent to record their votes on the following items (shown in sequential order):

Consent Calendar: Bennett, Bryan, Elhawary, Nguyen, Petrie-Norris, Soria, and Tangipa—Aye.

Senate Concurrent Resolution No. 122, Consent Item: Bennett, Bryan, Elhawary, Nguyen, Petrie-Norris, Soria, and Tangipa—Aye.

MOTION TO ADJOURN

At 9:43 a.m., Assembly Member Garcia moved that the Assembly do now adjourn.

Assembly Member Lackey seconded the motion.

Motion carried.

INTRODUCTION AND FIRST READING OF ASSEMBLY BILLS

The following bill was introduced and read the first time:

ASSEMBLY BILL NO. 2779—Committee on Agriculture (Assembly Members Soria (Chair), Hadwick (Vice Chair), Aguiar-Curry, Alanis, Connolly, Jeff Gonzalez, Irwin, and Ransom). An act to amend Section 82001 of the Food and Agricultural Code, relating to food labeling.

The following resolutions were offered:

ASSEMBLY CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 158—Solache. Relative to Donate Life Month.

HOUSE RESOLUTION NO. 90—Gabriel. Relative to Nowruz.

AUTHOR'S AMENDMENTS

Committee on Higher Education

March 5, 2026

Mr. Speaker: The Chair of your Committee on Higher Education reports:

Assembly Bill No. 1534

With author's amendments with the recommendation: Amend, and re-refer to the committee.

FONG, Chair

ASSEMBLY BILL NO. 1534—An act to add Article 17 (commencing with Section 69870) to Chapter 2 of Part 42 of Division 5 of Title 3 of the Education Code, relating to student financial aid.

Bill read second time.

Author's amendments, presented pursuant to Assembly Rules, read and adopted; bill ordered reprinted and to be re-referred to the committee.

Committee on Public Safety

March 5, 2026

Mr. Speaker: The Chair of your Committee on Public Safety reports:

Senate Bill No. 356

With author's amendments with the recommendation: Amend, and re-refer to the committee.

SCHULTZ, Chair

SENATE BILL NO. 356—An act to amend Section 3046 of the Penal Code, relating to parole.

Bill read second time.

Author's amendments, presented pursuant to Assembly Rules, read and adopted; bill ordered reprinted and to be re-referred to the committee.

Committee on Transportation

March 5, 2026

Mr. Speaker: The Chair of your Committee on Transportation reports:

Assembly Bill No. 1765

With author's amendments with the recommendation: Amend, and re-refer to the committee.

WILSON, Chair

ASSEMBLY BILL NO. 1765—An act to amend Section 9105 of the Vehicle Code, relating to vehicles.

Bill read second time.

Author's amendments, presented pursuant to Assembly Rules, read and adopted; bill ordered reprinted and to be re-referred to the committee.

ADJOURNMENT

At 3 p.m., pursuant to the motion by Assembly Member Garcia, the Assembly adjourned until 1 p.m., Monday, March 9, 2026, out of respect to the memory of Eileen Hupp on motion of Assembly Member Muratsuchi.

ROBERT RIVAS, Speaker

RUSSELL C. TOMAS, Minute Clerk

AMENDMENTS CONSIDERED BY THE ASSEMBLY ON MARCH 5, 2026

The following measures were amended in the Assembly on this day:

AB	RN
1534	2610713
1535	2610059
1568	2610228
1656	2610175
1765	2610256

SB	RN
356	2610132

Daily Total: 6

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