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Pursuant to the provisions of Joint Rule 59, the following Assembly Journal for the 2025–26 Regular Session was printed while the Assembly was in Summer Recess.

SPECIAL COMMITTEE MEETINGS

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

Select Committee on Asia/California Trade and Investment, on Wednesday, August 20, 2025, at 1:30 p.m., in Room 444;

Select Committee on Childcare Costs and Affordability, on Wednesday, August 20, 2025, at 1:30 p.m., in Room 447;

Select Committee on Housing Finance and Affordability, on Wednesday, August 27, 2025, at 1:30 p.m., in Room 126;

Select Committee on Native American Affairs, on Tuesday, August 26, 2025, at 9 a.m., in the Event Center at Table Mountain Rancheria Resort, 777 Jackpot Lane, Friant 93626;

Select Committee on the Transportation Costs and Impact of the Low Carbon Fuel Standard, on Wednesday, August 27, 2025, at 1 p.m., in Room 444.

REPORTS

The following letter of transmittal was presented by the Chief Clerk and ordered printed in the Journal:

California State Auditor

2024-116 July 24, 2025

The Honorable Speaker of the Assembly The Honorable Members of the Assembly of the Legislature of California State Capitol, Room 319 Sacramento, California

Members of the Assembly: As directed by the Joint Legislative Audit Committee, my office conducted an audit of the Office of AIDS (OA) within the California Department of Public Health. Our assessment focused on the OA's role coordinating state programs, services, and activities relating to HIV/AIDS. In general, we determined that although the OA has made notable progress to address administrative weaknesses that were significant to the fraud that occurred from December 2017 through November 2018, its invoice review process remains susceptible to fraud. Despite the OA developing an invoice review process that requires staff to verify that the amounts contractors' invoices are based on supporting documentation, and which also requires multiple levels of review before payment, we remain concerned that the OA does not require its staff to collect comprehensive documentation that substantiates subcontractor expenses. Lacking this practice, the OA remains exposed to risks similar to those that led to the prior fraud.

My office also found that although the OA generally allocates funding appropriately—using relevant data and following federal and state guidelines—it lacks standardized processes to assess whether local health jurisdictions and community-based organizations use that funding efficiently and, in some cases, allowably. As a result of this absence of oversight, the OA cannot measure whether these entities use their allocations in the most efficient manner. For example, the OA fell short in ensuring the effectiveness and oversight of its Housing Plus Project, for which it did not monitor whether service providers adequately verified the eligibility of the clients they served. We recommend that the OA strengthen its monitoring of subcontractor expenses and adopt more systematic methods to evaluate program efficiency and outcomes. These steps are essential to safeguard the continued integrity and impact of the State's HIV/AIDS programs.

Respectfully submitted,

GRANT PARKS California State Auditor

Above report referred to the Committee on Health.

ENGROSSMENT AND ENROLLMENT REPORTS

Assembly Chamber, July 24, 2025

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

Assembly Concurrent Resolution No. 54

Assembly Concurrent Resolution No. 93 Assembly Concurrent Resolution No. 99

And reports the same correctly enrolled, and presented to the Secretary of State on the 24th day of July, 2025, at 1 p.m.

SUE PARKER, Chief Clerk

ROBERT RIVAS, Speaker

DANIEL ALVAREZ, Assistant Minute Clerk

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