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ASSEMBLY DAILY JOURNAL

Monday, December 2, 2024

FIRST SESSION DAY

FIRST 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.

(Please direct any inquiries and report any omissions or errors to Minute Clerk: Phone 916-319-2856)

At 1:58 p.m., the Assembly met pursuant to the provisions of the Proclamation of the Honorable Gavin Newsom, Governor of the State of California, dated November 7, 2024, convening the Legislature of the State of California on this day in Extraordinary Session.

In conformity with Government Code Section 9150, the following officers for the 2025–26 Regular Session were present and performing their respective duties: Sue Parker, Chief Clerk; Russell Tomas, Minute Clerk; and Cheryl R. Craft, Chief Sergeant at Arms.

Hon. Josh Lowenthal, Speaker pro Tempore of the Assembly for the 2025–26 Regular Session, presiding.

Principal Clerk David A. Bowman, reading.

ROLLCALL

The roll was called, and the following answered to their names—78:

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

Quorum present.

(NOTE: Assembly Member-elect Muratsuchi took and subscribed to the oath of office for Member of the Assembly later this day, Monday, December 2, 2024, in the Assembly Chamber after the adjournment of session.)

REGULAR BUSINESS SUBSTITUTED

Without objection, the regular order of business of the Assembly was substituted from the 2025–26 Regular Session.

PRAYER

Upon invitation of the Chief Clerk, the following prayer was offered by Assembly Member-elect Ransom, of the 13th Assembly District.

Heavenly Father, We thank You for this day. We come before You with gratitude for the privilege to serve the people of California. We are grateful for the hearts of those called to serve and for their dedication to the betterment of our state.

Lord, we ask that You bless every member of this body, both old and new, with wisdom to discern, courage to act with integrity, and strength to persevere in the face of challenges.

Guide our decisions and guard our hearts and minds, keep us focused on the well-being of those we represent. Grant strength to our leadership as they guide us toward success, and may we all remain joyful and steadfast in our shared purpose.

We lift the families and friends who support us, both near and far. Thank You for their unwavering encouragement, patience, and love as they walk alongside us on this journey. Bless them with peace, strength, and the assurance that we see and appreciate their sacrifices and care.

We give thanks for the mentors, staff, and colleagues who equip us to lead with impact and effectiveness. May we never take their efforts for granted, and may their contributions be a testament to the power of unity and shared purpose.

Lord, as we take on the challenges facing our state, instill in us a spirit of collaboration and a resolve to find meaningful solutions, setting aside divisions and labels. Remind us that no task is too great when we look to You. Give us humility to listen, empathy to understand, and perseverance to make a difference in the lives of those we are called to serve. Let us not grow weary in our work. Give us daily strength and passion to meet the needs of our communities.

And finally, may the work we do and all that we accomplish be acceptable in Your sight.—AMEN.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Upon request of the Chief Clerk, Assembly Member-elect Ahrens from the 26th Assembly District let the Assembly in the pledge of allegiance of the Flag.

PROCLAMATIONS OF THE GOVERNOR

Without objection, the following Proclamation of the Governor convening the Legislature in Extraordinary Session was deemed read:

A PROCLAMATION**BY THE GOVERNOR OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA**

WHEREAS on November 6, 2024, it became clear that Donald J. Trump has won election as President of the United States, setting the stage for President-Elect Trump to assume office for a second term on January 20, 2025; and

WHEREAS the track record of the first Trump Administration, combined with the statements made by President-Elect Trump on the campaign trail, as well as statements and policy papers issued by individuals close to his campaign and by Republican congressional leadership, indicate the consequences of his presidency for California may be significant and immediate, including:

- Continuing the assault on reproductive freedom by limiting access to medication abortion, expanding conscience objections for employers and providers, and pursuing a national abortion ban;
- Undoing clean vehicle policies that are critical to combating climate change and dismantling other long-standing environmental protections for clean air and clean water;
- Repealing Deferred Action for Childhood Arrivals (DACA) and reinstating immigration policies that lead to family separations;
- Withholding disaster response funding and individual assistance for victims of disasters as political retribution; and
- Politicizing grant programs to commandeer state and local governmental resources for federal purposes; and

WHEREAS during President-Elect Trump's first term, California developed a successful roadmap for fighting back and standing up for our State's values and our people's constitutional rights, including filing more than 120 lawsuits challenging actions taken by the Trump Administration; and

WHEREAS lawyers from the Attorney General's Office and my office have been preparing for a potential second Trump term for more than a year, and we are marshaling the arguments and evidence needed to be ready to challenge in court unconstitutional and unlawful federal policies, and to mount robust and vigorous defenses of California's laws, policies and programs, on issues critical to Californians; and

WHEREAS preparing to litigate regressive potential actions on these major policy issues with the urgency and comprehensiveness called for in this moment necessitates ensuring the state's legal apparatus is sufficiently resourced; and

WHEREAS these extraordinary circumstances require the Legislature of the State of California to be convened in a special session.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, GAVIN NEWSOM, Governor of the State of California, in accordance with Section 3(b) of Article IV of the California Constitution, hereby convene the Legislature of the State of California to assemble in extraordinary session in Sacramento, California, on the 2nd day of December 2024, at a time to be determined, for the following purposes:

To consider and act upon legislation necessary to:

- a. Provide additional funding to the California Department of Justice and other agencies, departments, boards, and offices within the Executive Branch to support the ability to immediately file affirmative litigation challenging actions taken by the incoming Trump Administration, defend against litigation or enforcement actions brought by the incoming Trump Administration, and take administrative action authorized under state law to mitigate the impacts of actions by the incoming Trump Administration.
- b. Make conforming changes to existing law consistent with the preceding paragraph.

I FURTHER DIRECT that as soon as hereafter possible, this Proclamation be filed in the Office of the Secretary of State and that widespread publicity and notice be given of this Proclamation.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Great Seal of the State of California to be affixed this 7th day of November, 2024.



GAVIN NEWSOM
Governor of California

ATTEST:

SHIRLEY N. WEBER, PH.D.
Secretary of State

ELECTION OF SPEAKER

Assembly Member Aguiar-Curry requested unanimous consent that the election of Speaker Robert Rivas, by the Members of the Assembly today, December 2, 2024, and the Oath of Office for Speaker of the Assembly administered (Assembly Journal, page 11), be substituted in the 2025–26 First Extraordinary Session.

Assembly Member Hart seconded the motion.
Motion carried.

OATH OF OFFICE ADMINISTERED

The following oath of office was administered to Speaker-elect Rivas, on Monday, December 2, 2024, by the Honorable Patricia Guerrero, Chief Justice of California, and without objection was substituted in the First Extraordinary Session:

OATH

for the Office of Speaker of the California Assembly

I, Robert Rivas, do solemnly swear that I will support and defend the Constitution of the United States and the Constitution of the State of California against all enemies, foreign and domestic; that I will bear true faith and allegiance to the Constitution of the United States and the Constitution of the State of California; that I take this obligation freely, without any mental reservation or purpose of evasion; and that I will well and faithfully discharge the duties upon which I am about to enter.

ELECTION OF OFFICERS OF THE ASSEMBLY

Assembly Member Aguiar-Curry moved that the non-member-officers in the Assembly for the 2025–26 Regular Session be deemed the non-member-officers in the 2025–26 First Extraordinary Session and that the roll call vote and their Oaths of Office in the Regular Session be substituted: Sue Parker, Chief Clerk, and Cheryl R. Craft, Chief Sergeant at Arms.

Assembly Member Hart seconded the motion.

Motion carried by the following substitute vote:

AYES—78

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

NOES—None

OATH OF OFFICE ADMINISTERED

Chief Clerk-elect Sue Parker and Chief Sergeant at Arms-elect Cheryl R. Craft appeared at the Rostrum and took and subscribed to the following oath of office, administered by the Honorable Patricia Guerrero, Chief Justice of California:

OATH

I, do solemnly swear (or affirm) that I will support and defend the Constitution of the United States and the Constitution of the State of California against all enemies, foreign and domestic; that I will bear true faith and allegiance to the Constitution of the United States and the Constitution of the State of California; that I take this obligation freely, without any mental reservation or purpose of evasion; and that I will well and faithfully discharge the duties upon which I am about to enter.

MOTION RELATIVE TO THE STANDING RULES OF THE ASSEMBLY

Assembly Member Aguiar-Curry moved that the Permanent Standing Rules of the Assembly for the 2025–26 Regular Session, except for the organization of Standing Committees, which shall be created by the Speaker, be adopted in the First Extraordinary Session.

Assembly Member Hart seconded the motion.

Motion carried by the following substitute vote:

AYES—58

Addis	Connolly	Lowenthal	Rubio
Aguiar-Curry	Elhawary	McKinnor	Schiavo
Ahrens	Fong	Nguyen	Schultz
Alvarez	Gabriel	Ortega	Sharp-Collins
Arambula	Garcia	Pacheco	Solache, Jr.
Avila Farias	Gipson	Papan	Soria
Bains	González, M.	Patel	Stefani
Bauer-Kahan	Haney	Pellerin	Valencia
Bennett	Harabedian	Petrie-Norris	Ward
Berman	Hart	Quirk-Silva	Wicks
Boerner	Irwin	Ramos	Wilson
Bonta	Jackson	Ransom	Zbur
Calderon	Kalra	Rodriguez, C.	Mr. Speaker
Caloza	Krell	Rodriguez, M.	
Carrillo	Lee	Rogers	

NOES—19

Alanis	Dixon	Hadwick	Sanchez
Castillo	Essayli	Hoover	Ta
Chen	Flora	Lackey	Tangipa
Davies	Gallagher	Macedo	Wallis
DeMaio	Gonzalez, J.	Patterson	

MOTION RELATIVE TO ORGANIZATION OF THE ASSEMBLY

Assembly Member Aguiar-Curry moved that the provisions of House Resolution No. 3 in the 2025–26 Regular Session, relative to the bill introductions; Controller warrants; and distribution of Weekly Histories, be deemed adopted in the 2025–26 First Extraordinary Session.

Assembly Member Hart seconded the motion.

Motion carried by the following substitute vote:

AYES—77

Addis	Davies	Kalra	Rubio
Aguiar-Curry	DeMaio	Krell	Sanchez
Ahrens	Dixon	Lackey	Schiavo
Alanis	Elhawary	Lee	Schultz
Alvarez	Essayli	Lowenthal	Sharp-Collins
Arambula	Flora	Macedo	Solache, Jr.
Avila Farias	Fong	McKinnor	Soria
Bains	Gabriel	Nguyen	Stefani
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Carrillo	Hart	Ramos	Mr. Speaker
Castillo	Hoover	Ransom	
Chen	Irwin	Rodriguez, M.	
C Connolly	Jackson	Rogers	

NOES—None**LEADERSHIP ANNOUNCEMENT**

Speaker pro Tempore Lowenthal announced that there are letters at the Desk naming the Leadership of the Democratic and Republican Caucuses for the 2025–26 First Extraordinary Session.

MESSAGES FROM THE SENATE

Senate Chamber, December 2, 2024

Mr. Speaker: I am directed to inform your honorable body that the Senate on this day adopted:

Senate Concurrent Resolution No. 1

ERIKA CONTRERAS, Secretary of the Senate
By Bernadette McNulty, Assistant Secretary

FIRST READING OF SENATE BILLS

The following resolution was read:

SENATE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 1—Relative to the Joint Rules for the 2025–26 First Extraordinary Session.

COMMUNICATIONS

The following communications were presented by the Chief Clerk and ordered printed in the Journal:

December 2, 2024

Sue Parker

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

Dear Ms. Parker: Please be advised that I have appointed the following Democratic Leadership for the 2025–26 First Extraordinary Session:

Speaker Pro Tempore
Assembly Member Josh Lowenthal

Majority Leader
Assembly Member Cecilia M. Aguiar-Curry

Democratic Caucus Chair
Assembly Member Rick Chavez Zbur

Sincerely,

ROBERT RIVAS
Speaker of the Assembly

December 2, 2024

Sue Parker

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

Dear Ms. Parker: This letter is to notify you of the Assembly Republican Leadership Team for the 2025–26 First Extraordinary Session.

Assemblyman James Gallagher
Assemblyman Heath Flora

Republican Leader
Republican Floor Leader
(2nd Ranking Republican)
Caucus Chair

Assemblyman Tom Lackey
Assemblywoman Kate A. Sanchez

Deputy Floor Leader

Assemblywoman Diane Dixon
Assemblyman Joe Patterson
Assemblyman Juan Alanis
Assemblywoman Laurie Davies
Assemblyman Tri Ta

Deputy—Fiscal
Deputy—Policy
Deputy—Operations
Deputy—External
Chief Whip

Assemblywoman Alexandra M. Macedo

Deputy Whip

Assemblywoman Heather Hadwick

Deputy Whip

Sincerely,

JAMES GALLAGHER, Assembly Member
Third District

INTRODUCTION OF ASSEMBLY BILLS

The following bills were introduced:

ASSEMBLY BILL NO. 1—Gabriel. An act to amend the Budget Act of 2024 (Chs. 22, 35, and 994, Stats. 2024), by amending Sections 5.25, 39.00, and 39.10 of that act, relating to the state budget, and making an appropriation therefor, to take effect immediately, budget bill.

ASSEMBLY BILL NO. 2—Gabriel. An act to add and repeal Chapter 4 (commencing with Section 15210) of Part 6 of Division 3 of Title 2 of the Government Code, relating to state government, and making an appropriation therefor, to take effect immediately, bill related to the budget.

The following resolution was offered:

ASSEMBLY CONSTITUTIONAL AMENDMENT NO. 1—DeMaio. A resolution to propose to the people of the State of California an amendment to the Constitution of the State, by adding Section 23 to Article IV thereof, and adding Section 12 to Article V thereof, relating to legislative process.

RECESS

By unanimous consent, at 2:01 p.m., Speaker pro Tempore Lowenthal declared the Assembly recessed, to reconvene Regular Session.

ADJOURNMENT

At 4 p.m., the Assembly adjourned to reconvene upon call of the Speaker.

ROBERT RIVAS, Speaker

RUSSELL C. TOMAS, Minute Clerk