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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 Interim Study Recess.

COMMUNICATIONS

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

November 25, 2025

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

RE: Appointment of Vivian Moreno to
the California Coastal Commission as an Alternate

Dear Ms. Parker: Please be advised that I have appointed San Diego Councilmember Vivian Moreno to the California Coastal Commission as an Alternate to Commissioner Jose Preciado in the San Diego Region. This is a pleasure appointment effective November 25, 2025.

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

Sincerely,

ROBERT RIVAS
Speaker of the Assembly

November 25, 2025

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

RE: Appointment of Ian Oglesby to
the California Coastal Commission as an Alternate

Dear Ms. Parker: Please be advised that I have appointed Seaside Mayor Ian Oglesby to the California Coastal Commission as an Alternate to Commissioner Chris Lopez in the Central Coast Region. This is a pleasure appointment effective November 25, 2025.

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

Sincerely,

ROBERT RIVAS
Speaker of the Assembly

SPECIAL COMMITTEE MEETINGS

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

Banking and Finance, on Monday, January 12, 2026, at 3:30 p.m., in Room 447;

Privacy and Consumer Protection, on Tuesday, January 13, 2026, at 1:30 p.m., in Room 447;

Select Committee on Child Care Costs, on Tuesday, December 9, 2025, at 1 p.m., in Room 444;

Select Committee on Effective Postsecondary Career Technical Education and Workforce Development Programs, on Thursday, December 11, 2025, at 10 a.m., at Santa Ana College, Johnson Student Center Conference Center, 1530 W. 17th Street, Room JSC-219, Santa Ana, 92706;

Select Committee on Latina Inequities, on Tuesday, December 9, 2025, at 11 a.m., at Los Angeles Mission College in Sylmar.

REPORTS

The following letters of transmittal were presented by the Chief Clerk and ordered printed in the Journal:

California State Auditor

2024-114
December 4, 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 California Department of Corrections and Rehabilitation (CDCR) and its Salinas Valley State Prison facility, the Department of Developmental Services (DDS) and its Porterville Developmental Center facility, and the Department of State Hospitals (DSH) and its Atascadero State Hospital facility. Our assessment focused on the three departments' use of health care staffing contracts at these facilities, and we determined that although contract

workers make up a small portion of medical and mental health staffing, the facilities have increasingly used them to address their growing number of staff vacancies.

Since July 2019, vacancy rates have increased to 30 percent at Atascadero, 36 percent at Porterville, and more than 50 percent at Salinas Valley. Although the facilities have engaged in multiple recruitment strategies, they have not evaluated the success of their efforts to determine which are most effective. To help address vacancies, each facility has significantly increased its use of contract workers: Atascadero by 79 percent, Porterville by 172 percent, and Salinas Valley by 46 percent. Contract workers generally cost the State more than state employees in the same job classifications, and the shorter tenure of contract workers presents challenges for facilities because of the training necessary to ensure that the contract workers are prepared to provide appropriate care to the facilities' patient populations.

The many staff vacancies have resulted in each facility realizing significant savings from fiscal year 2019–20 through 2024–25: about \$247 million for Atascadero, \$188 million for Salinas Valley, and \$157 million for Porterville. Nonetheless, neither DSH nor DDS has required staff to evaluate staffing needs annually. Further, none of the three agencies require their facilities to report whether they are meeting shift-staffing minimums, which are critical to ensuring the provision of legally required levels of care. Because of the decades-long difficulties the facilities have had in filling vacant health care positions and a current and projected health care professional shortage, the State should consider facilitating a statewide campaign to draw medical and mental health care workers to California's civil service.

Respectfully submitted,

GRANT PARKS
California State Auditor

Above report referred to the Committee on Public Safety.

ROBERT RIVAS, Speaker

RUSSELL C. TOMAS, Minute Clerk

