

Assembly Concurrent Resolution

No. 126

Introduced by Assembly Member Charles Calderon

March 13, 2012

Assembly Concurrent Resolution No. 126—Relative to the Western Prelacy of the Armenian Apostolic Church of America.

LEGISLATIVE COUNSEL'S DIGEST

ACR 126, as introduced, Charles Calderon. Western Prelacy of the Armenian Apostolic Church of America.

This measure would request that the Department of Transportation erect informational signs on State Highway Route 210 in the County of Los Angeles directing motorists to the Western Prelacy of the Armenian Apostolic Church of America, consistent with the signing requirements for the state highway system and, upon receiving donations from nonstate sources sufficient to cover the cost, to erect those signs.

Fiscal committee: yes.

- 1 WHEREAS, The Western Prelacy of the Armenian Apostolic
2 Church of America, which was established in 1973, serves under
3 the jurisdiction of the Catholicosate of the Holy See of Cilicia;
4 and
5 WHEREAS, The primary mission of the Western Prelacy is to
6 preserve and foster the faith, heritage, traditions, culture, and
7 religious and national values of the Armenian Apostolic Church,
8 and to provide spiritual guidance to over one million Armenian
9 Americans in California, Nevada, Colorado, Utah, Oregon,
10 Arizona, and beyond; and

1 WHEREAS, From the Western Prelacy headquarters, the prelate
2 and religious and executive councils oversee the day-to-day
3 activities of the churches and schools, providing the necessary
4 guidance and assistance; and

5 WHEREAS, The Western Prelacy also has a network of
6 benefactors and sponsors who, through their generous moral and
7 financial support, contribute to the realization of the
8 ever-expanding mission of the Western Prelacy; and

9 WHEREAS, The Western Prelacy also has a prison ministry
10 program that offers spiritual guidance to Armenian inmates and
11 former inmates; and

12 WHEREAS, The Western Prelacy is expected to attract motorists
13 and tourists from all over the world; now, therefore, be it

14 *Resolved by the Assembly of the State of California, the Senate*
15 *thereof concurring*, That the Legislature recognizes the importance
16 of the Western Prelacy of the Armenian Apostolic Church of
17 America to the people of California, and requests that the
18 Department of Transportation erect informational signs on the
19 westbound portion of State Highway 210 leading to the Lowell
20 Avenue exit, and the eastbound portion of State Highway 210
21 leading to the La Tuna Canyon Road exit, in the county of Los
22 Angeles, directing motorists to the Western Prelacy of the
23 Armenian Apostolic Church of America, consistent with the
24 signing requirements for the state highway system, and, upon
25 receiving donations from nonstate sources sufficient to cover the
26 cost, to erect those signs; and be it further

27 *Resolved*, That the Chief Clerk of the Assembly transmit copies
28 of this resolution to the Department of Transportation and to the
29 author for appropriate distribution.