

Assembly Concurrent Resolution

No. 53

Introduced by Assembly Member Quirk-Silva

April 24, 2013

Assembly Concurrent Resolution No. 53—Relative to Sober Graduation Month.

LEGISLATIVE COUNSEL'S DIGEST

ACR 53, as introduced, Quirk-Silva. Sober Graduation Month.

This measure would designate May 31, 2013, to June 30, 2013, inclusive, as Sober Graduation Month and would encourage Californians to participate in this observance and join the Department of the California Highway Patrol in supporting efforts to save lives of young people through a Sober Graduation Month.

Fiscal committee: no.

1 WHEREAS, The Sober Graduation Program is an effective,
2 antidrunk driving campaign geared toward high school seniors;
3 and

4 WHEREAS, In 2012, according to the National Center for
5 Statistics and Analysis, an office of the National Highway Traffic
6 Safety Administration, over 1,500 drivers between 15 and 20 years
7 of age were involved in alcohol-related motor vehicle accidents
8 during the months of May and June; and

9 WHEREAS, Since the Sober Graduation Program was
10 established, the number of alcohol-related motor vehicle accidents
11 involving young people has dramatically declined; and

12 WHEREAS, Pupils, teachers, parents, civic groups, law
13 enforcement, and the business community should join together to

1 raise public awareness of alcohol-related deaths and injuries, and
2 encourage alcohol-free and drug-free graduation ceremonies that
3 commence in May 2013 and will last until July 2013; now,
4 therefore, be it

5 *Resolved by the Assembly of the State of California, the Senate*
6 *thereof concurring*, That the Legislature hereby designates May
7 31, 2013, to June 30, 2013, inclusive, as Sober Graduation Month;
8 and be it further

9 *Resolved*, That all Californians are hereby encouraged to
10 participate in this observance and join with the Department of the
11 California Highway Patrol in supporting efforts to save the lives
12 of young people through a Sober Graduation Month; and be it
13 further

14 *Resolved*, That the Chief Clerk of the Assembly transmit a copy
15 of this resolution to the author for appropriate distribution.