Introduced by Senator Huff

December 5, 2012

Senate Concurrent Resolution No. 3—Relative to School Choice Week.

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SCR 3, as introduced, Huff. School Choice Week.

This measure would proclaim the week of January 27, 2013, through February 2, 2013, as School Choice Week.

Fiscal committee: no.

- 1 WHEREAS, The California Constitution requires the Legislature
- 2 to encourage by all suitable means the promotion of intellectual,
- 3 scientific, moral, and agricultural improvement; and
- 4 WHEREAS, Excellence in education is a primary goal of the
- 5 State of California; and
- 6 WHEREAS, California's student body is one of the most diverse
- 7 in the world and therefore requires a diverse educational system; 8 and
- 9 WHEREAS, A child's residence should not determine the quality of his or her education; and
- 11 WHEREAS, All students in California, regardless of
- background, should have the right to the highest quality schools possible; and
- WHEREAS, School choice programs provide students and parents with access to high-quality schools; and
- WHEREAS, Taxpayers and parents who fund the public school
- 17 system should be able to choose which school is best for their
- 18 children; and

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WHEREAS, School choice promotes parental involvement; and WHEREAS, School choice is especially critical for low-income families who often have few educational options; and

WHEREAS, California recognizes the many high-quality teaching professionals in public and nonpublic schools who are committed to educating children; and

WHEREAS, California appropriately embraces educational choice in the provision of higher education; and

WHEREAS, Parents, students, and teachers in every state across the nation come together each year to recognize school choice and the need for effective education options for all children; now, therefore, be it

13 Resolved by the Senate of the State of California, the Assembly 14 thereof concurring, That the Legislature proclaims the week of 15 January 27, 2013, through February 2, 2013, as "School Choice 16 Week"; and be it further

17 Resolved, That the Secretary of the Senate transmit copies of 18 this resolution to the National School Choice Week organization 19 and to the author for appropriate distribution.