

AMENDED IN SENATE AUGUST 21, 2013

Senate Concurrent Resolution

No. 61

Introduced by Senator Galgiani

July 8, 2013

Senate Concurrent Resolution No. 61—Relative to ~~the official State Shelter Pet Awareness Month.~~

LEGISLATIVE COUNSEL'S DIGEST

SCR 61, as amended, Galgiani. ~~Official State Pet.~~ *Shelter Pet Awareness Month.*

This measure would declare ~~a shelter pet as the official State Pet October of each year as Shelter Pet Awareness Month.~~

Fiscal committee: no.

1 ~~WHEREAS, There are currently around eight million abandoned~~
2 ~~pets living in animal shelters in the United States; and~~
3 ~~WHEREAS, Each year, between 700,000 and 800,000 animals~~
4 ~~are taken in by California's public and private shelters; and~~
5 ~~WHEREAS, Less than half of these animals are adopted into~~
6 ~~new homes; and~~
7 ~~WHEREAS, Animal shelters have limited resources and cannot~~
8 ~~accommodate all of the animals that need help; and~~
9 ~~WHEREAS, Three~~ *In the United States, three to four million*
10 ~~of these dogs and cats shelter pets are euthanized every year due~~
11 ~~to overcrowding; and~~
12 ~~WHEREAS, The Legislature seeks to raise~~ *promote shelter pet*
13 ~~adoptions by raising public awareness of shelter animals; now,~~
14 ~~therefore, be it~~

1 *Resolved by the Senate of the State of California, the Assembly*
2 *thereof concurring, That the Legislature hereby declares a shelter*
3 ~~*pet as the official State Pet the month of October of each year as*~~
4 *Shelter Pet Awareness Month; and be it further*
5 *Resolved, That the Secretary of the Senate transmit copies of*
6 *this resolution to the author for appropriate distribution.*

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