

Dear Honorable Supervisors Doug Chaffee, Katrina Foley, Vicente Sarmiento, Janet Nguyen, and Donald Wagner,

I would like to address Item 13, Laws and Legislation about AB 2017 State holidays: EID.

Although AB 2017 has passed two Assembly Committees, according to the last Bill Analysis, "the Office of Legislative Counsel has issued a conflict notice...[that]...could give rise to a serious legal problem." That office has also "flagged this bill a fiscal" and it has been referred to the Assembly Appropriations Committee, so far not scheduled for a hearing. I'd think there are some implications of a cost to our state in allowing school absences and paying state employees for another holiday that only some people are permitted. We do not have official holidays for other religions.

There are 11 California state holidays, only one of which is religious: Christmas, which is logical because our country was founded on Judeo-Christian values and traditions.

A quite significant element: CAIR is a major supporter of this bill. They have been designated as a terrorist organization by Governors Abbott of Texas and DeSantis of Florida, there's a House bill, HR 4097, Designate CAIR as a Terror Organization Act, and years ago CAIR was designated as an unindicted co-conspirator in a terrorism financing trial.

A large number of Muslims have immigrated here in recent times but that doesn't mean they are entitled to have their own state holidays, other religions manage to cope.

I noticed in both of the Assembly Committees, the Bill Analyses showed that no person or organization was listed under "Opposition". Why? I'm sure it's because very few Californians are aware of this bill and if they knew, they would object.

I urge you to OPPOSE AB 2017!

Thank you for your attention to this matter,

Betty Robinson, a lifelong Southern Californian and resident of Orange County for MANY decades!

OFFICIAL RECORD SUBMISSION: REQUEST FOR DUE DILIGENCE

TO: Orange County Board of Supervisors

FROM: Lisa Hazelton **DATE:** April 14, 2026

RE: Required Due Diligence Regarding CAIR-California & Islamic Shura Council

SUMMARY OF CONCERNS: The Orange County Board of Supervisors has recently extended official proclamations and zoning accommodations to CAIR-California (Council on American-Islamic Relations) and the Islamic Shura Council. These organizations are not neutral community partners; they are heavily involved in radical political activism, documented financial mismanagement, and ongoing investigations into the weaponization of taxpayer-funded grants.

KEY FACTUAL FINDINGS:

- **Financial Fraud & Misuse of Public Funds:** CAIR-California has been embroiled in significant controversy regarding the misuse of over **\$27 million in taxpayer-funded grants**. Reports indicate these funds, intended to assist refugees, were allegedly diverted to finance extremist political operations, pro-Hamas activism, and anti-Israel protests.
- **Lack of Institutional Vetting:** By granting official recognition/proclamations to these entities, the Board provides a "veneer of government legitimacy" to groups under active investigation for fraud and civil rights abuses.
- **Conflict with Foundational Values:** The Islamic Shura Council an umbrella organization for dozens of mosques, has a documented history of actively working to block federal investigations into extremist activities within its member mosques and pressuring local governments for accommodations that prioritize political ideology over neutral civic administration.

THE REQUEST:

1. **Halt all current proclamations and zoning accommodations** involving these specific organizations until a full, independent audit of their activities and financial ties is completed.
2. **Conduct a formal due diligence review** of any organization seeking government-funded platforms, specifically vetting them against documented reports of taxpayer fraud and political radicalization.
3. **Restore Fiscal Transparency:** Ensure that no taxpayer dollars or government platforms are weaponized to advance the political agendas of organizations that contradict the values of the citizens who fund the Board.

LEGISLATIVE WATCH: AB 2017 (Eid State Holiday)

- **Current Status:** The bill has passed the policy committee (Governmental Organization) and is now referred to the **Committee on Appropriations (APPR)**.
- **The Request:** This bill is now in the "financial impact" phase. We urge the Board to formally oppose this measure before it advances to the Assembly floor. The Board must prioritize fiscal and tax-funded neutrality over the lobbying demands of organizations—such as CAIR and the Islamic Shura Council—that are currently under federal and state investigation for the potential misuse of public grants

SUPPORTING DOCUMENTATION & INVESTIGATIVE REPORTS

- **Investigative Report: CAIR-California Financial Scrutiny (NCRI & IAN):** <https://rairfoundation.com/breaking-exclusive-cair-california-exposed-27-million-taxpayer/>
- **Financial Transparency & Accountability Concerns (Conservative Daily News):** <https://conservativedailynews.com/2025/12/radical-muslim-orgs-california-chapter-rakes-in-untold-millions-in-tax-dollars/>
- **Overview of Federal/State Investigations:** <https://gellerreport.com/2025/11/terror-linked-cair-caught-in-27m-taxpayer-ripoff.html>

"The Board has a fiduciary and moral duty to perform basic due diligence before lending the authority of Orange County to any organization. Anything less is a failure of governance."