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Support for Senate Bill 873 (Reyes): Courthouses: Privilege from Civil Arrest

In 2025, Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE) made 14,302 arrests in the Los Angeles area. To accomplish this, the Trump Administration rescinded policies that limited ICE’s access to certain sensitive locations including schools and hospitals. Federal immigration agents have also targeted individuals by appearing and disrupting regularly scheduled court appearances with unannounced arrests, reversing previous guidance which limited the circumstances in which civil immigration enforcement actions could be carried out in or near a courthouse. This has created a culture of fear surrounding the legal process, discouraging individuals— including victims, witnesses, and families—from appearing in court. Arrests of immigrants at courthouses limits the integrity and effectiveness of the justice system, undermines public safety, and denies due process to individuals trying to navigate their legal cases.

On January 6, 2026, Senator Eloise Gómez Reyes introduced Senate Bill (SB) 873, Courthouses: Privilege from Civil Arrest. This bill, as amended on March 25, 2026, would prohibit a person from being subject to civil arrest when the person is within 1,000 feet of a courthouse for any lawful activity, or while traveling to, attending or leaving a courthouse for court proceedings there, except pursuant to a valid judicial warrant. This

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legislation aims to prevent federal immigration agents from making unannounced appearances and arrests at regularly scheduled court appearances. Ensuring that individuals have access to the courts allows for the fair administration of justice, promotes safety for crime victims, and helps to guarantee equal protection under the law. SB 873 will help ensure that all Californians have safe and adequate access to courthouses without the worry of the presence of federal immigration enforcement action.

I, THEREFORE, MOVE that the Board of Supervisors direct the Chief Executive Office Legislative Affairs and Intergovernmental Relations to support SB 873 (Reyes).

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