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Synopsis as Enacted

Brief Description: Declaring October as Filipino American history month.

Sponsors: Senators Hasegawa, Nguyen, Conway, Dhingra, Schoesler, Billig, Honeyford, King, Randall, Saldaña and Wilson, C.

Senate Committee on State Government, Tribal Relations & Elections House Committee on State Government & Tribal Relations

Background: The Filipino American National History Society proposed the first Filipino American History Month to be celebrated in October 1992. The society chose October because the earliest documented proof of Filipino presence in the continental United States was on October 18, 1587.

Since 2010, one or both houses of the Legislature passed annual resolutions to celebrate the anniversary of Filipino presence in the United States or to particularly recognize Filipino veterans.

Summary: The state declares October of each year as Filipino American History Month.

Votes on Final Passage:

Senate 48 0 House 98 0

Effective: July 28, 2019

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