

Opinion: Poverty not an action item for Legislature

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Poverty is the issue du jour of this year's legislative session – with good reason.



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By an alternative Census Bureau method of calculating poverty, including the cost of living, 23.4 percent of California's 39 million residents are impoverished, the nation's highest rate.

A Public Policy Institute of California study found that poverty is fairly consistent throughout the state, although Los Angeles County, with high living costs and mediocre incomes, has the highest.

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