



# MTA LEGISLATIVE BRIEF

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TO: SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA ELECTED OFFICIALS

FROM: GISSELLE ACEVEDO-FRANCO

- Yesterday, the Los Angeles County City Selection Committee ratified the nominations of Larry Zarian, Mayor, City of Glendale to the MTA Board of Directors and Jan Heidt, Council Member, City of Santa Clarita as his Alternate. Also elected was George Nakano, Council Member, City of Torrance. Nakano replaces MTA Alternate Joseph Dawidziak. Each member will serve a four-year term. Congratulations!

- At the League of California Cities, Los Angeles County region, the League voted to:

Support the reauthorization of ISTEA and the MTA's sponsored project list and modify MTA's recommended resolution to promote regionalism.

Support SB 567 (Polanco) MTA Board restructuring bill, with the following amendments:

-Add to Section 130051.E: *The current members duly appointed pursuant to this subdivision shall serve out their elected terms.*

-Add to Section 130051.F: *A city's vote for the at-large member shall be weighted in the same proportion that its population is to the total population of all cities in the county, with the exclusion of the City of Los Angeles.*

-Delete to Section 130051.9: *Additions to legislation mandating that the CEO shall be appointed to a four year term requiring 2/3 affirmative vote of the Board for termination.*

-With MTA Board approval, allow MTA alternates to continue to serve on regional policy boards such as: SCRRRA, SCAG, SCAQMD etc.

Oppose AB 1481(Kuykendall) MTA Board restructuring bill

Monitor AB 1143 (Murray) MTA Board restructuring bill, with the following amendment:

-Add to Section 130051: *The chief executive officer shall approve and award all contracts for construction, and that approval shall be based upon the lowest responsive bid submitted with authorization from the MTA Board.*

Monitor AB 45 (Kopp) State Transportation Improvement Program (STP)

Monitor SB 55 (Kopp) Transportation, Seismic Retrofit of Toll Facilities

If you have questions regarding these issues please call Audrey Noda at 213/922-2238.

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