



MTA LEGISLATIVE BRIEF

DATE: September 3, 1996

TO: BOARD OF DIRECTORS

FROM: RAE JAMES

The California Legislature adjourned the legislative session late Sunday night. Over the weekend, the Legislature acted on the following bills of interest to the MTA:

- SB 1505 (Kopp), among other reforms, created a four-year STIP rather than the current seven-year STIP process. As reported, the bill was transmitted to the Senate, but never reached the floor for a vote. Therefore, the bill is dead for this legislative session.
- The Conference Committee did not reach agreement on SB 160 (Kopp) which would have addressed the funding shortfall for the retrofit of the state toll bridges. Therefore, the bill is dead for this legislative session.
- AB 3020 (Bowler) on Saturday passed the Assembly on Concurrence and is on the Governor's desk. AB 3020 is the omnibus transportation legislation which includes a provision allowing SAFE's in counties over 6 million in population to use SAFE funds for call boxes on unincorporated county roads. This issue is part of the MTA Legislative program.
- As we reported, the bill regarding MTA Board composition SB 1152 (Polanco), was placed on the inactive file on Wednesday, August 28. Therefore, the bill is dead for this legislative session.