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On March 24, the MTA adopted an oppose position on SB 736, a measure introduced by Senator Tom Hayden, which would place stringent limits on the giving of gifts and campaign contributions by businesses seeking contracts with the Authority and on the receipt of gifts and campaign contributions by MTA directors and staff.

The measure also establishes a three-year restriction on directors and employees involved in contract decisions from accepting employment with firms and businesses awarded contracts by the MTA.

SB 736 has recently been amended to provide that the provisions of the bill would take effect upon the approval of California voters on the March 26, 1996 statewide direct primary election. Voters outside of the MTA jurisdiction, therefore, would be determining gift and campaign contribution regulations for those elected officials in Los Angeles County participating on the MTA board.

SB 736 passed the Senate on May 18 and will be considered in the Assembly in the near future.

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