



MTA LEGISLATIVE BRIEF

DATE: April 22, 1997

TO: BOARD OF DIRECTORS

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- Staff would like to make a correction to yesterday's Legislative Brief: AB 1481, the measure authored by Assembly Member Steve Kuykendall was amended in the Assembly Committee on Transportation to amend out, or delete, all of the provisions relating to campaign contributions and gifts. The bill now only contains provisions relating to board members as follows: requires a nine member board, 3 appointed by the Board of Supervisors, 3 appointed by the mayor of the City of Los Angeles and 3 selected by the City Selection Committee. The members appointed by the Board of Supervisors and the mayor could not hold any other elected or appointed office.
- As shared previously, AB 1481 will be considered by the Assembly Transportation Committee sometime in May. The measure, in its current form or in an amended form, may become part of a package of Assembly bills dealing with the MTA which includes AB 584 (Villaraigosa) and AB 1143 (Murray). If approved by the full Assembly, this "package" would then be forwarded to the Senate for consideration.
- Further, it is staff's understanding that Assembly Member Villaraigosa, the author AB 584 which provides a term of office for the Inspector General of four years, is seriously considering an amendment which would provide that the MTA Board select the Inspector General, rather than the State Auditor.
- On a related note, the Senate Committee on Transportation will consider the Senate bills pertaining to the MTA on May 6. Those bills include SB 837 (Kopp) to abolish the MTA, SB 567 (Polanco) which would reduce the size of the MTA Board and SB 790 and SB 794 (Hayden) which codifies elements of the consent decree and codifies the adopted MTA Code of Conduct respectively.
- For your information, many legislative members will be traveling to Washington, D.C. next week for the Legislature's annual lobbying trip.

If you have any questions on this report, please contact Claudette A. Moody at (213) 922-2237.

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