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**TITLE 7.10. SAN FRANCISCO BAY AREA WATER EMERGENCY TRANSPORTATION RESPONSE AND DISASTER RECOVERY ACT [66540 - 66540.69]** ( Title 7.10 repealed and added by Stats. 2007, Ch. 734, Sec. 2. )

**CHAPTER 5. Duties and Powers [66540.255 - 66540.68]** ( Chapter 5 added by Stats. 2007, Ch. 734, Sec. 2. )

**ARTICLE 1. General Provisions [66540.255 - 66540.315]** ( Article 1 added by Stats. 2007, Ch. 734, Sec. 2. )

[66540.255.](#) The authority may accept grants, contributions, and appropriations from any public agency, private foundation, or individual.

(Added by Stats. 2007, Ch. 734, Sec. 2. Effective January 1, 2008.)

[66540.26.](#) The authority has perpetual succession and may adopt a seal and alter it at its pleasure.

(Repealed and added by Stats. 2007, Ch. 734, Sec. 2. Effective January 1, 2008.)

[66540.27.](#) The authority may provide a comprehensive emergency public water transportation services system and, for this purpose, may have the power to provide all of the following:

- (a) Planning, as provided in Article 2 (commencing with Section 66540.32).
- (b) Facilities, equipment, and services, as provided in Article 3 (commencing with Section 66540.34).
- (c) Funding, as provided in Article 4 (commencing with Section 66540.41).
- (d) Employee benefits and retirement, as provide in Article 5 (commencing with Section 66540.55).

(Repealed and added by Stats. 2007, Ch. 734, Sec. 2. Effective January 1, 2008.)

[66540.28.](#) The authority may sue and be sued.

(Repealed and added by Stats. 2007, Ch. 734, Sec. 2. Effective January 1, 2008.)

[66540.29.](#) The authority may take by grant, purchase, devise, or lease or otherwise acquire, hold, enjoy, lease, and dispose of, real and personal property within or outside its area of jurisdiction in order to further its purposes.

(Repealed and added by Stats. 2007, Ch. 734, Sec. 2. Effective January 1, 2008.)

[66540.30.](#) The authority may contract with any department or agency of the United States, with any state or local governmental agency, or with any person upon those terms and conditions that the authority finds are in its best interests.

(Repealed and added by Stats. 2007, Ch. 734, Sec. 2. Effective January 1, 2008.)

[66540.31.](#) No action taken by the authority pursuant to this title shall require the approval of the Public Utilities Commission.

(Added by Stats. 2007, Ch. 734, Sec. 2. Effective January 1, 2008.)

[66540.315.](#) The authority may establish a community advisory committee to receive community and passenger recommendations related to consolidation and operational issues affecting existing and proposed water transportation services. The authority shall determine the composition of that committee.

(Added by Stats. 2008, Ch. 387, Sec. 7. Effective January 1, 2009.)