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**SB-220 Los Angeles County Metropolitan Transportation Authority.** (2025-2026)

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**SENATE BILL**

**NO. 220**

Introduced by Senator Allen

January 23, 2025

An act to amend, repeal, and add Section 130051 of the Public Utilities Code, relating to transportation.

**LEGISLATIVE COUNSEL'S DIGEST**

SB 220, as amended, Allen. Los Angeles County Metropolitan Transportation Authority.

Existing law creates the Los Angeles County Metropolitan Transportation Authority with specified powers and duties relative to transportation planning, programming, and operations in the County of Los Angeles. The authority is governed by a 14-member board of directors ~~which is~~ *consisting of* the Mayor of the City of Los Angeles, 2 public members and one Los Angeles city council member appointed by the mayor, 4 members appointed from the other cities in the county, the 5 members of the board of supervisors, and a nonvoting member appointed by the Governor. If the number of members of the board of supervisors is increased, existing law requires the authority, within 60 days of the increase, to submit a plan to the Legislature for revising the composition of the authority.

Beginning January 1, 2029, this bill would expand the board of directors to 18 members by adding the county executive of the County of Los Angeles and 3 public members appointed by the county executive. The bill would also require the authority, within 60 days of an amendment to the charter of the County of Los Angeles to change the number of members of the Los Angeles County Board of Supervisors or to eliminate the office of county executive, to submit a plan to the Legislature for revising the composition of the authority. To the extent the bill imposes new duties on the County of Los Angeles, the bill would impose a state-mandated local program.

The California Constitution requires the state to reimburse local agencies and school districts for certain costs mandated by the state. Statutory provisions establish procedures for making that reimbursement.

This bill would provide that, if the Commission on State Mandates determines that the bill contains costs mandated by the state, reimbursement for those costs shall be made pursuant to the statutory provisions noted above.

## THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA DO ENACT AS FOLLOWS:

### **SECTION 1.** Section 130051 of the Public Utilities Code is amended to read:

**130051.** (a) The Los Angeles County Metropolitan Transportation Authority consists of 14 members, as follows:

(1) (A) Five members of the Los Angeles County Board of Supervisors.

(B) If the number of members of the Los Angeles County Board of Supervisors is increased, the authority shall, within 60 days of the increase, submit a plan to the Legislature for revising the composition of the authority.

(2) The Mayor of the City of Los Angeles.

(3) Two public members and one member of the City Council of the City of Los Angeles appointed by the Mayor of the City of Los Angeles.

(4) (A) Four members, each of whom shall be a mayor or a member of a city council, appointed by the Los Angeles County City Selection Committee. For purposes of the selection of these four members, the County of Los Angeles, excluding the City of Los Angeles, shall be divided into the following four sectors:

(i) The North County/San Fernando Valley sector.

(ii) The Southwest Corridor sector.

(iii) The San Gabriel Valley sector.

(iv) The Southeast Long Beach sector.

(B) The League of California Cities, Los Angeles County Division, shall define the sectors. Every city within a sector shall be entitled to vote to nominate one or more candidates from that sector for consideration for appointment by the city selection committee. A city's vote shall be weighted in the same proportion that its population bears to the total population of all cities within the sector.

(C) The members appointed pursuant to this paragraph shall be appointed by the city selection committee upon an affirmative vote of its members which represent a majority of the population of all cities within the county, excluding the City of Los Angeles.

(D) The members selected by the city selection committee shall serve four-year terms with no limitation on the number of terms that may be served by any individual. The city selection committee may shorten the initial four-year term for one or more of the members for the purpose of ensuring that the members will serve staggered terms.

(5) One nonvoting member appointed by the Governor.

(b) If the population of the City of Los Angeles, at any time, becomes less than 35 percent of the combined population of all cities in the county, the position of one of the two public members appointed pursuant to paragraph (3) of subdivision (a), as determined by the Mayor of the City of Los Angeles by lot, shall be vacated, and the vacant position shall be filled by appointment by the city selection committee pursuant to paragraph (4) of subdivision (a) from a city not represented by any other member appointed pursuant to paragraph (4) of subdivision (a).

(c) This section shall remain in effect only until December 31, 2028, and as of that date is repealed.

### **SEC. 2.** Section 130051 is added to the Public Utilities Code, to read:

**130051.** (a) The Los Angeles County Metropolitan Transportation Authority consists of ~~18 members, as follows:~~ *all of the following members:*

(1) The county executive of the County of Los Angeles.

(2) Three public members appointed by the county executive.

(3) (A) Each member of the Los Angeles County Board of Supervisors.

(B) If the charter of the County of Los Angeles is amended to change the number of members of the Los Angeles County Board of Supervisors or eliminate the office of the elected county executive, the authority shall, within 60 days of the charter amendment, submit a plan to the Legislature for revising the composition of the authority.

(4) The Mayor of the City of Los Angeles.

(5) Two public members and one member of the city council of the City of Los Angeles appointed by the Mayor of the City of Los Angeles.

(6) (A) Four members, each of whom shall be a mayor or a member of a city council, appointed by the Los Angeles County City Selection Committee. For purposes of the selection of these four members, the County of Los Angeles, excluding the City of Los Angeles, shall be divided into the following four sectors:

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(B) The League of California Cities, Los Angeles County Division, shall define the sectors. Every city within a sector shall be entitled to vote to nominate one or more candidates from that sector for consideration for appointment by the city selection committee. A city's vote shall be weighted in the same proportion that its population bears to the total population of all cities within the sector.

(C) The members appointed pursuant to this paragraph shall be appointed by the city selection committee upon an affirmative vote of its members which represent a majority of the population of all cities within the county, excluding the City of Los Angeles.

(D) The members selected by the city selection committee shall serve four-year terms with no limitation on the number of terms that may be served by any individual. The city selection committee may shorten the initial four-year term for one or more of the members for the purpose of ensuring that the members will serve staggered terms.

(7) One nonvoting member appointed by the Governor.

(b) If the population of the City of Los Angeles, at any time, becomes less than 35 percent of the combined population of all cities in the county, the position of one of the two public members appointed pursuant to paragraph (5) of subdivision (a), as determined by the Mayor of the City of Los Angeles by lot, shall be vacated, and the vacant position shall be filled by appointment by the city selection committee pursuant to paragraph (6) of subdivision (a) from a city not represented by any other member appointed pursuant to paragraph (6) of subdivision (a).

(c) This section shall take effect on January 1, 2029.

**SEC. 3.** If the Commission on State Mandates determines that this act contains costs mandated by the state, reimbursement to local agencies and school districts for those costs shall be made pursuant to Part 7 (commencing with Section 17500) of Division 4 of Title 2 of the Government Code.