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CALIFORNIA LEGISLATURE—2011–12 REGULAR SESSION

ASSEMBLY BILL

No. 1962

Introduced by Assembly Member Allen

February 23, 2012

An act to amend Section ~~9304~~ 105096 of the ~~Elections~~ *Public Utilities Code*, relating to ~~district elections~~ *transportation*.

LEGISLATIVE COUNSEL'S DIGEST

AB 1962, as amended, Allen. ~~District elections; petitions.~~
Sonoma-Marín Area Rail Transit District.

Existing law creates the Sonoma-Marín Area Rail Transit District with various powers and duties relative to the operation of a rail transit system in Sonoma and Marin Counties. Existing law provides that the district shall comply with the design review process of the local jurisdictions in which any of its rail transit facilities are to be constructed, with the local jurisdiction's design review and approval to be for advisory purposes only.

This bill would delete the provision requiring the district to comply with the design review process.

~~Existing law provides, except as specified, that ordinances may be enacted by any district pursuant to specified initiative provisions. Existing law provides that any proposed ordinance may be submitted to the governing board of the district by an initiative petition filed with the district elections official. Existing law requires that signatures be obtained in a certain manner and affidavits be attached to each petition section in a specified form and manner.~~

~~This bill would make nonsubstantive changes to those provisions.~~

Vote: majority. Appropriation: no. Fiscal committee: no.
State-mandated local program: no.

The people of the State of California do enact as follows:

1 SECTION 1. Section 105096 of the Public Utilities Code is
2 amended to read:

3 105096. (a) The district may acquire, construct, own, operate,
4 control, or use rights-of-way, rail lines, stations, platforms,
5 switches, yards, terminals, parking lots, and any and all other
6 facilities necessary or convenient for rail transit within and without
7 the district, together with all physical structures necessary or
8 convenient for the access of persons and vehicles thereto, including
9 ancillary bicycle and pedestrian pathways, and may acquire or
10 contract for any interest in or rights to the use or joint use of any
11 or all of the foregoing.

12 (b) The district may contract with any public agency or person
13 for the operation of shuttle services necessary or convenient for
14 rail transit.

15 ~~(c) The district shall comply with the design review process of~~
16 ~~the local jurisdiction in which any rail transit facilities are to be~~
17 ~~constructed. The local jurisdiction's design review and approval~~
18 ~~shall be for advisory purposes only.~~

19 ~~(d)~~

20 (c) In Sonoma County, north of Healdsburg, the district shall
21 locate commuter stations only within incorporated areas.

22 ~~(e)~~

23 (d) In Marin County north of San Rafael, the district shall locate
24 commuter stations only within areas that are incorporated as of
25 the operative date of this part.

26 SECTION 1. ~~Section 9301 of the Elections Code is amended~~
27 ~~to read:~~

28 ~~9301. Any proposed ordinance may be submitted to the~~
29 ~~governing board of the district by an initiative petition filed with~~
30 ~~the district elections official. Signatures to these petitions shall be~~
31 ~~obtained in the same manner as set forth in Section 9020. Affidavits~~
32 ~~shall be attached to each petition section in the form and manner~~
33 ~~set forth in Section 9022.~~

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