No. 1472

Introduced by Senator Mendoza

February 19, 2016

An act to amend Section 12803 of the Water Code, relating to flood management. An act to amend Section 130051 of the Public Utilities Code, relating to transportation.

LEGISLATIVE COUNSEL'S DIGEST

SB 1472, as amended, Mendoza. Flood management. 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, including 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 one nonvoting member appointed by the Governor.

This bill would expand the board of directors to 16 members by adding 2 members that reside in the County of Los Angeles, one member appointed by the Speaker of the Assembly and one member appointed by the Senate Committee on Rules and would prohibit these members from residing in the same city as another member of the authority, as specified.

By requiring the board membership to be expanded, the bill would thereby impose a state-mandated local program.

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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 these statutory provisions.

Existing law, the Flood Control Law of 1946, authorizes, on a project-by-project basis, and in accordance with designated plans, state participation in federal flood control projects, and specifies the degree of cooperation to be assumed by the state and local agencies in connection with those projects. Existing law provides that the Legislature intends to pay from the General Fund for the construction of flood control projects adopted and authorized by the Congress of the United States, recommended by the Department of Water Resources, and approved by the Legislature.

This bill would make nonsubstantive changes in these provisions.

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

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

1 SECTION 1. Section 130051 of the Public Utilities Code is 2 amended to read:

- 3 130051. The Los Angeles County Metropolitan Transportation
 4 Authority consists of 14 *16* members, as follows:
- 5 (a) Five members of the Los Angeles County Board of 6 Supervisors.
- 7 If the number of members of the Los Angeles County Board of

8 Supervisors is increased, the authority shall, within 60 days of the

- 9 increase, submit a plan to the Legislature for revising the
- 10 composition of the authority.
- 11 (b) The Mayor of the City of Los Angeles.
- 12 (c) Two public members and one member of the City Council
- of the City of Los Angeles appointed by the Mayor of the City ofLos Angeles.
- 15 (d) Four members, each of whom shall be a mayor or a member
- 16 of a city council, appointed by the Los Angeles County City
- 17 Selection Committee. For purposes of the selection of these four
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1 members, the County of Los Angeles, excluding the City of Los

2 Angeles, shall be divided into the following four sectors:

3 (1) The North County/San Fernando Valley sector.

4 (2) The Southwest Corridor sector.

5 (3) The San Gabriel Valley sector.

6 (4) The Southeast Long Beach sector.

7 The League of California Cities, Los Angeles County Division,

8 shall define the sectors. Every city within a sector shall be entitled

9 to vote to nominate one or more candidates from that sector for

10 consideration for appointment by the Los Angeles County City

11 Selection Committee. A city's vote shall be weighted in the same 12 proportion that its population bears to the total population of all

13 cities within the sector.

The members appointed pursuant to this subdivision shall be appointed by the Los Angeles County 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

18 of Los Angeles.

19 The members selected by the city selection committee shall serve

20 four-year terms with no limitation on the number of terms that

21 may be served by any individual. The city selection committee 22 may shorten the initial four-year term for one or more of the

members for the purpose of ensuring that the members will serve

24 staggered terms.

25 (e) If the population of the City of Los Angeles, at any time, 26 becomes less than 35 percent of the combined population of all 27 cities in the county, the position of one of the two public members 28 appointed pursuant to subdivision (c), as determined by the Mayor 29 of the City of Los Angeles by lot, shall be vacated, and the vacant 30 position shall be filled by appointment by the city selection 31 committee pursuant to subdivision (d) from a city not represented 32 by any other member appointed pursuant to subdivision (d).

33 (f) Two members that reside in the County of Los Angeles, one

34 member appointed by the Speaker of the Assembly and one member

35 appointed by the Senate Committee on Rules. At the time a member

36 is appointed pursuant to this subdivision, the member shall not

37 reside in the same city as another member of the authority.

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39 (g) One nonvoting member appointed by the Governor.

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1 SEC. 2. If the Commission on State Mandates determines that

2 this act contains costs mandated by the state, reimbursement to

3 local agencies and school districts for those costs shall be made

4 pursuant to Part 7 (commencing with Section 17500) of Division

5 4 of Title 2 of the Government Code.

6 SECTION 1. Section 12803 of the Water Code is amended to
 7 read:

8 12803. The Legislature intends to make allocations from the

9 General Fund for flood control projects to pay for the cost of all

10 lands, easements, and rights-of-way necessary for the construction

11 of flood control projects adopted and authorized by the Legislature

12 prior to March 12, 1946, and also those adopted and authorized

13 on or after that date by the Congress of the United States,

14 recommended by the department, and approved by the Legislature,

15 in the order in which the Congress makes available funds for the

16 project's construction.

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