



# ALAMEDA-CONTRA COSTA TRANSIT DISTRICT

## Master Minute Order

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**Agenda  
Section:**

**Meeting Body:** Board of Directors -  
Regular Meeting

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**Final Action:**

**ded Action:** Update on State Legislative Activities.

**Sponsors:**

**Enactment Date:**

**Attachments:** STAFF REPORT, Presentation from Platinum  
Advisors

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### History of Legislative File

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**Notes:** Steve Wallauch of Platinum Advisors gave an update on state legislative activities, including an overview of the Governor's budget, transportation funding, forecasted appropriation of Cap & Trade Program funds, workforce training programs, the proposed climate resiliency bond, and legislative items that might be of interest to the District.

Vice President Ortiz commented on AB 1350 (Gonzalez): free student bus passes, saying that the legislature would need to ensure that transit operators receive stable funding with a cost of living increase to ensure the District is fully reimbursed if the law is passed. Mr. Wallauch agreed that the bill was concerning because it was uncertain at this point how it would be funded.

Director Williams inquired about SB 278 (Beall): Faster Bay Area proposal, asking what Bay Area Senators thought about the bill. Mr. Wallauch advised that there was a lot of sensitivity to a sales tax measure in each of the counties in the Bay Area. He added that there was an effort to provide a tax credit to low income residents as well as a means-based fare. These were serious concerns.

Director Williams also asked about Assemblyman Chiu's proposal that would create a commission charged with coordinating transit service in the Bay Area and establish a regional "network manager" that would have authority over all transit operators' schedules and fares. Mr. Wallauch advised that there were concerns about how this proposal would work. President Wallace expressed his opinion that low income riders always seem to suffer more from regional planning efforts. Vice President Ortiz expressed her sense that there has been a movement afoot to consolidate all the Bay Area transit agencies into one large organization. Director Peoples commented that this has been part of the Metropolitan Transportation Commission's job and they haven't done it. Mr. Wallauch advised that there was already legislation in place to create a transit commission. Director Young expressed an interest in having District representation on any commission that is formed. Director Harper commented that the region needed a seamless bus transit system.

With regard to the fuel tax, Director Young asked if there had been any discussions of what is going to happen when people are buying less fuel. Mr. Wallauch advised that the state is looking to possibly address this through a vehicle miles traveled program along with research on how other states are implementing similar programs.

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