

UNANIMOUS CONSENT TO PRINT IN JOURNAL

Senator Wiener asked for, and was granted, unanimous consent that the following letter be printed in the Journal:

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Ms. Erika Contreras

Secretary of the Senate

Dear Madam Secretary: We write as joint authors of SB 63 to clarify the bill's intent with respect to the addition of enhanced accountability provisions in Chapter 6 of Part 2 of Title 7.85 of the Government Code—which is added by the bill—and voter initiative.

Our intent is to provide each county included in the geography of the Public Transit Revenue Measure District with one total opportunity per subject operator per year to petition the applicable ad hoc adjudication committee for corrective action and withholding of funds. It is our intent that the participating county transportation entity and county board of supervisors for each county are together limited to this per-operator cap.

Furthermore, it is not our intent that the petition required to be filed with the commission to establish an ad hoc adjudication committee count toward the one ad hoc adjudication committee petition per subject operator per year per county cap.

Additionally, we do not intend that the magnitude of revenues generated in a specific county pursuant to a tax measure authorized by SB 63 directed to a specific subject operator be considered a compelling reason for a standard, policy, or commitment of a subject operator to disproportionately disadvantage the operation or maintenance of the subject operator's transit system in the geographic jurisdiction of the county.

Finally, SB 63 does not change the voter approval requirement that applies to a measure proposed by a citizen's initiative. A measure proposed by a citizen's initiative proposed pursuant to SB 63 continues to only require a simple majority vote of the electorate, consistent with judicial precedent.

Sincerely,

SCOTT WIENER
Senator, 11th District

JESSE ARREGUÍN
Senator, 7th District