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- Introduced by M. of A. GUNTHER, JAFFEE, ZEBROWSKI, GALEF, CAHILL, RABBITT, CALHOUN, MOLINARO -- read once and referred to the Committee on Corporations, Authorities and Commissions
- AN ACT to amend the public authorities law, in relation to granting each of the representatives of the counties of Dutchess, Putnam, Orange and Rockland on the metropolitan transportation authority a vote

THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF NEW YORK, REPRESENTED IN SENATE AND ASSEMBLY, DO ENACT AS FOLLOWS:

1 Section 1. Subparagraph 1 of paragraph (a) of subdivision 1 of section 2 1263 of the public authorities law, as amended by section 3 of part H of 3 chapter 25 of the laws of 2009, is amended to read as follows:

4 (1) There is hereby created the "metropolitan transportation authori-5 ty." The authority shall be a body corporate and politic constituting a б public benefit corporation. The authority shall consist of a chairman, 7 sixteen other voting members, and two non-voting and four alternate 8 non-voting members, as described in subparagraph two of this paragraph 9 appointed by the governor by and with the advice and consent of the senate. Any member appointed to a term commencing on or after June thir-10 tieth, two thousand nine shall have experience in one or more of the 11 following areas: transportation, public administration, business manage-12 13 ment, finance, accounting, law, engineering, land use, urban and regional planning, management of large capital 14 projects, labor 15 relations, or have experience in some other area of activity central to the mission of the authority. Four of the sixteen voting members other 16 than the chairman shall be appointed on the written recommendation of 17 the mayor of the city of New York; and each of seven other voting 18 19 members other than the chairman shall be appointed after selection from 20 a written list of three recommendations from the chief executive officer 21 of the county in which the particular member is required to reside pursuant to the provisions of this subdivision. Of the members appointed 22

EXPLANATION--Matter in ITALICS (underscored) is new; matter in brackets
[] is old law to be omitted.

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on recommendation of the chief executive officer of a county, one such 1 2 member shall be, at the time of appointment, a resident of the county of 3 Nassau, one a resident of the county of Suffolk, one a resident of the 4 county of Westchester, one a resident of the county of Dutchess, one a resident of the county of Orange, one a resident of the county of Putnam 5 6 and one a resident of the county of Rockland, provided that the term of 7 member who is a resident of a county that has withdrawn from the any 8 metropolitan commuter transportation district pursuant to section twelve hundred seventy-nine-b of this article shall terminate upon the effec-9 10 tive date of such county's withdrawal from such district. Of the five 11 voting members, other than the chairman, appointed by the governor without recommendation from any other person, three shall be, at the time of 12 appointment, residents of the city of New York and two shall be, at the 13 14 time of appointment, residents of such city or of any of the aforemen-15 tioned counties in the metropolitan commuter transportation district. 16 The chairman and each of the members shall be appointed for a term of six years, provided however, that the chairman first appointed shall 17 18 serve for a term ending June thirtieth, nineteen hundred eighty-one, 19 provided that thirty days after the effective date of the chapter of the 20 laws of two thousand nine which amended this subparagraph, the term of 21 chairman shall expire; provided, further, that such chairman may the 22 continue to discharge the duties of his or her office until the position 23 of chairman is filled by appointment by the governor upon the advice and 24 consent of the senate and the term of such new chairman shall terminate 25 June thirtieth, two thousand fifteen. The sixteen other members first 26 appointed shall serve for the following terms: The members from the 27 counties of Nassau and Westchester shall each serve for a term ending 28 June thirtieth, nineteen hundred eighty-five; the members from the county of Suffolk and from the counties of Dutchess, Orange, Putnam 29 and Rockland shall each serve for a term ending June thirtieth, nineteen 30 hundred ninety-two; two of the members appointed on recommendation of 31 32 the mayor of the city of New York shall each serve for a term ending 33 June thirtieth, nineteen hundred eighty-four and, two shall each serve for a term ending June thirtieth, nineteen hundred eighty-one; two of 34 35 the members appointed by the governor without the recommendation of any other person shall each serve for a term ending June thirtieth, nineteen 36 37 hundred eighty-two, two shall each serve for a term ending June thirti-38 eth, nineteen hundred eighty and one shall serve for a term ending June 39 thirtieth, nineteen hundred eighty-five. The two non-voting and four 40 alternate non-voting members shall serve until January first, two thousand one. [The members from the counties of Dutchess, Orange, Putnam and 41 Rockland shall cast one collective vote.] 42

43 S 2. Paragraph (a) of subdivision 1 of section 1263 of the public 44 authorities law, as amended by section 4 of part H of chapter 25 of the 45 laws of 2009, is amended to read as follows:

(a) There is hereby created the "metropolitan transportation authori-46 47 ty." The authority shall be a body corporate and politic constituting a 48 public benefit corporation. The authority shall consist of a chairman 49 and sixteen other members appointed by the governor by and with the 50 advice and consent of the senate. Any member appointed to a term 51 commencing on or after June thirtieth, two thousand nine shall have 52 experience in one or more of the following areas of expertise: transportation, public administration, business management, finance, account-53 54 ing, law, engineering, land use, urban and regional planning, management 55 of large capital projects, labor relations, or have experience in some 56 other area of activity central to the mission of the authority. Four of

1 the sixteen members other than the chairman shall be appointed on the 2 written recommendation of the mayor of the city of New York; and each of 3 members other than the chairman shall be appointed after seven other 4 selection from a written list of three recommendations from the chief executive officer of the county in which the particular member 5 is 6 required to reside pursuant to the provisions of this subdivision. Of the members appointed on recommendation of the chief executive officer 7 8 a county, one such member shall be, at the time of appointment, a of resident of the county of Nassau; one a resident of the county of 9 10 Suffolk; one a resident of the county of Westchester; [and] one a resident of the county of Dutchess[,]; one a resident of 11 the county of Orange[,]; one a resident of the county of Putnam; and one a resident of 12 the county of Rockland, provided that the term of any member who is a 13 14 resident of a county that has withdrawn from the metropolitan commuter 15 pursuant section transportation district to twelve hundred seventy-nine-b of this article shall terminate upon the effective date 16 17 such county's withdrawal from such district. Of the five members, of 18 other than the chairman, appointed by the governor without recommendation from any other person, three shall be, at the time of appointment, 19 residents of the city of New York and two shall be, at the time of 20 appointment, residents of such city or of any of the aforementioned 21 counties in the metropolitan commuter transportation district. The 22 chairman and each of the members shall be appointed for a term of six 23 years, provided however, that the chairman first appointed shall 24 serve 25 for a term ending June thirtieth, nineteen hundred eighty-one, provided 26 that thirty days after the effective date of the chapter of the laws of two thousand nine which amended this paragraph, the term of the chairman 27 shall expire; provided, further, that such chairman may continue to 28 29 discharge the duties of his office until the position of chairman is 30 filled by appointment by the governor upon the advice and consent of the senate and the term of such new chairman shall terminate June thirtieth, 31 32 thousand fifteen. The sixteen other members first appointed shall two 33 serve for the following terms: The members from the counties of Nassau 34 and Westchester shall each serve for a term ending June thirtieth, nine-35 teen hundred eighty-five; the members from the county of Suffolk and from the counties of Dutchess, Orange, Putnam and Rockland shall each 36 37 serve for a term ending June thirtieth, nineteen hundred ninety-two; two the members appointed on recommendation of the mayor of the city of 38 of 39 New York shall each serve for a term ending June thirtieth, nineteen 40 hundred eighty-four and, two shall each serve for a term ending June thirtieth, nineteen hundred eighty-one; two of the members appointed by 41 governor without the recommendation of any other person shall each 42 the serve for a term ending June thirtieth, nineteen hundred eighty-two, two 43 44 shall each serve for a term ending June thirtieth, nineteen hundred 45 eighty and one shall serve for a term ending June thirtieth, nineteen hundred eighty-five. [The members from the counties of Dutchess, Orange, 46 47 Putnam and Rockland shall cast one collective vote.]

S 3. This act shall take effect immediately, provided that the amendments to subparagraph 1 of paragraph (a) of subdivision 1 of section 1263 of the public authorities law made by section one of this act shall be subject to the expiration and reversion of such paragraph pursuant to section 3 of chapter 549 of the laws of 1994, as amended, when upon such date the provisions of section two of this act shall take effect.