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I N S E N A T E

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AN ACT to amend the executive law, in relation to a prohibition on diversion of funds dedicated to the metropolitan transportation authority or the New York city transit authority and any of their subsidiaries

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

1 Section 1. Section 182 of the executive law, as amended by section 1  
2 of part J of chapter 56 of the laws of 2011, is amended to read as  
3 follows:

4 S 182. Diversion of funds dedicated to the metropolitan transportation  
5 authority or the New York city transit authority and any of their  
6 subsidiaries to the general fund of the state is prohibited. 1. The  
7 director shall be prohibited from diverting revenues derived from taxes  
8 and fees paid by the public into any fund created by law including, but  
9 not limited to sections eighty-eight-a and eighty-nine-c of the state  
10 finance law and chapter twenty-five of the laws of two thousand nine for  
11 the purpose of funding the metropolitan transportation authority or the  
12 New York city transit authority and any of their subsidiaries into the  
13 general fund of the state or into any other fund maintained for the  
14 support of another governmental purpose. No diversion of funds can occur  
15 contrary to this section by an administrative act of the director or any  
16 other person in the executive branch [unless the governor declares a  
17 fiscal emergency, and communicates such emergency to the temporary pres-  
18 ident of the senate and speaker of the assembly, and] BUT CAN OCCUR ONLY  
19 UPON a statute [is] enacted into law authorizing a diversion that would  
20 otherwise be prohibited by this section.

21 2. IF ANY DIVERSION OF FUNDS OCCURS BY PASSAGE OF LEGISLATION DURING A  
22 REGULAR OR EXTRAORDINARY SESSION OF THE LEGISLATURE, THE BUDGET OR  
23 LEGISLATION DIVERTING FUNDS SHALL INCLUDE A DIVERSION IMPACT STATEMENT  
24 WHICH INCLUDES THE FOLLOWING INFORMATION:

- 25 (A) THE AMOUNT OF THE DIVERSION FROM DEDICATED MASS TRANSIT FUNDS;  
26 (B) THE AMOUNT DIVERTED FROM EACH FUND;

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

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- 1 (C) THE AMOUNT DIVERTED EXPRESSED AS CURRENT MONTHLY TRANSIT FARES;
- 2 (D) THE CUMULATIVE AMOUNT OF DIVERSION FROM DEDICATED MASS TRANSIT
- 3 FUNDS DURING THE PRECEDING FIVE YEARS;
- 4 (E) THE DATE OR DATES WHEN THE DIVERSION IS TO OCCUR; AND
- 5 (F) A DETAILED ESTIMATE OF THE IMPACT OF DIVERSION FROM DEDICATED MASS
- 6 TRANSIT FUNDS WILL HAVE ON THE LEVEL OF MASS TRANSIT SERVICE, MAINTENANCE,
- 7 SECURITY, AND THE CURRENT CAPITAL PROGRAM.
- 8 S 2. This act shall take effect immediately.