STATE OF NEW YORK

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IN SENATE

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Introduced by Sen. WEBER -- read twice and ordered printed, and when printed to be committed to the Committee on Rules

AN ACT to amend the public authorities law, in relation to certain construction work periods for the metropolitan transportation authority; and providing for the repeal of such provisions upon expiration thereof

The People of the State of New York, represented in Senate and Assembly, do enact as follows:

Section 1. Legislative intent. The legislature finds that the cost of design of public transit projects for the metropolitan transportation authority far exceed national and global competitors. The metropolitan transportation authority's fiscal performance on recent major projects has severely limited further investment in maintaining, modernizing, and expanding transit service. It is imperative that public transit is operated in a manner which delivers quality service to riders at an affordable cost. While it is important to minimize service disruptions, the current process of stopping and starting work ends up extending the period of construction, and cost taxpayers millions in additional labor costs. It is therefore the intent of the legislature to direct that the work done on transit projects for the metropolitan transportation authority be done on a continual basis until such project has been completed.

§ 2. Section 1266-c of the public authorities law is amended by adding a new subdivision 16 to read as follows:

16. In the design, construction, maintenance, or renovation of any transit facility, transportation facility, or equipment as defined under section twelve hundred or twelve hundred sixty-one of this chapter, work shall take place over a continuous period of time until such point at which the project has been completed.

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

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§ 3. This act shall take effect on the one hundred eightieth day after it shall have become a law and shall expire and be deemed repealed three years after such effective date.