

# STATE OF NEW YORK

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## IN SENATE

March 19, 2024

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

AN ACT to amend the public authorities law, in relation to the residence of a certain non-voting member of the metropolitan transportation authority

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

1 Section 1. Subparagraph 2 of paragraph (a) of subdivision 1 of section  
2 1263 of the public authorities law, as amended by chapter 549 of the  
3 laws of 1994, is amended to read as follows:

4 (2) There shall be two non-voting members and four alternate non-vot-  
5 ing members of the authority, as referred to in subparagraph one of this  
6 paragraph.

7 The first non-voting member shall be a regular mass transit user of  
8 the facilities of the authority and be recommended to the governor by  
9 the New York city transit authority advisory council. The first alter-  
10 nate non-voting member shall be a regular mass transit user of the  
11 facilities of the authority and be recommended to the governor by the  
12 Metro-North commuter council. The second alternate non-voting member  
13 shall be a regular mass transit user of the facilities of the authority  
14 and be recommended to the governor by the Long Island Rail Road  
15 commuter's council.

16 The second non-voting member shall be recommended to the governor by  
17 the labor organization representing the majority of employees of the  
18 Long Island Rail Road. The third alternate non-voting member shall be  
19 recommended to the governor by the labor organization representing the  
20 majority of employees of the New York city transit authority. The fourth  
21 alternate non-voting member shall be recommended to the governor by the  
22 labor organization representing the majority of employees of the Metro-  
23 North Commuter Railroad Company. Notwithstanding any other provision of  
24 law, the alternate non-voting member recommended by the labor organiza-  
25 tion representing the majority of employees of the Metro-North Commuter  
26 Railroad Company may be a resident of any state in which the Metro-North  
27 Commuter Railroad Company operates. The chairman of the authority, at

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

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1 his direction, may exclude such non-voting member or alternate non-vot-  
2 ing member from attending any portion of a meeting of the authority or  
3 of any committee established pursuant to paragraph (b) of subdivision  
4 four of this section held for the purpose of discussing negotiations  
5 with labor organizations.

6 The non-voting member and the two alternate non-voting members repres-  
7 enting the New York York city transit authority advisory council, the  
8 Metro-North commuter council, and the Long Island Rail Road commuter's  
9 council shall serve eighteen month rotating terms, after which time an  
10 alternate non-voting member shall become the non-voting member and the  
11 rotation shall continue until each alternate member has served at least  
12 one eighteen month term as a non-voting member. The other non-voting  
13 member and alternate non-voting members representing the New York city  
14 transit authority, Metro-North Commuter Railroad Company, and the Long  
15 Island Rail Road labor organizations shall serve eighteen month rotating  
16 terms, after which time an alternate non-voting member shall become the  
17 non-voting member and the rotation shall continue until each alternate  
18 member has served at least one eighteen month term as a non-voting  
19 member. The transit authority and the commuter railroads shall not be  
20 represented concurrently by the two non-voting members during any such  
21 eighteen month period.

22 § 2. This act shall take effect immediately; provided, however, that  
23 the amendments to subparagraph 2 of paragraph (a) of subdivision 1 of  
24 section 1263 of the public authorities law made by section one of this  
25 act shall not affect the expiration of such paragraph and shall be  
26 deemed expired therewith.