

Metropolitan Transportation Commission and Association of Bay Area Governments
Joint MTC ABAG Legislation Committee

July 11, 2025

Agenda Item 3b

Senate Bill 63 (Wiener/Arreguín) Transportation Revenue Measure Enabling Legislation

Subject:

The overview of Senate Bill (SB) 63 updates since the June Commission meeting is agendized as an Action item, given that the legislation may be substantially amended between the posting date and the committee meeting date; however, no action is required.

Summary:

At the time this memo was finalized, Senate Bill 63 was awaiting hearings in the Assembly policy committees. After passing the Senate on June 2, the bill was double referred to the Assembly Transportation Committee and the Assembly Revenue and Taxation Committee. It is set to be heard in the Assembly Transportation Committee on Monday, July 7, 2025. While not officially noticed, the bill is expected to be heard in the Assembly Revenue and Taxation Committee on Monday, July 14, in order to meet the July 18, deadline for fiscal bills to move out of policy committees in the second house.

At the same time, county transportation agencies (CTAs) and other partners are anticipating a letter from the bill authors, Senator Wiener and Senator Arreguín, outlining a draft expenditure plan proposal. That proposal is expected to be informed by CTA-led technical assistance. SB 63 includes an August 11, 2025, deadline for integrating the final expenditure plan, as well as addressing other key interrelated issues of tax rates and county participation in the revenue measure.

The Commission has adopted a “support” position on the bill, contingent on the bill’s continued alignment with the Commission’s adopted SB 63 advocacy principles (Attachment A). At its June Commission meeting, MTC further endorsed advocating for \$45 million for rider-focused improvements — specifically transit affordability, accessibility, navigation, and reliability — as part of the expenditure plan for a four-county or five-county measure. The Commission will revisit this direction should the measure proceed as a three-county proposal (Attachment B).

The bill remains aligned with Commission principles and priorities as of this writing. However, this is a particularly active period in the legislative process. Given the pace of negotiations, this

item is agendaized as an Action item to remain responsive to Commission direction to preserve flexibility to revisit the position if needed. Staff will continue monitoring developments and provide a verbal update at your July 11, 2025, committee meeting.

Known Positions

See Attachment C

Recommendation:

The Joint MTC ABAG Legislation Committee may choose to take no action at this time or consider revising the Commission's priorities related to SB 63.

Attachments

- Attachment A: MTC SB 63 Advocacy Principles
- Attachment B: MTC Letter on SB 63 Rider Focused Improvement Priorities
- Attachment C: SB 63 Known Positions



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