



# SB 125 Transit Transformation Task Force: Proposed MTC Priorities for Report to the Legislature



METROPOLITAN  
TRANSPORTATION  
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Joint MTC ABAG Legislation Committee  
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# SB 125 Background



Provided short-term funding for pandemic recovery



Established state task force to develop policy recommendations to “grow transit ridership, improve the transit experience, and address long-term operational needs” (Government Code Sec. 13979.3(c))



CalSTA and Task Force to provide report to Legislature by October 2025



# Draft Report Content

## Better service, Better Outcomes

Transit prioritization \*

Coordinated scheduling, mapping, and wayfinding\*

First- and last-mile access \*

Service and fare coordination

## Transit and Land Use are Interconnected

Changes to land use, housing, and pricing policies to improve public transit use\*

Potential of transit-oriented development and value capture\*

## Safety is Fundamental

Providing a safe and clean ride for passengers and operators\*

Accessibility of transit for all users (Additional topic)

## Transit should be Operationally Sustainable

Fleet and asset management\*

Workforce recruitment, retention, and development\*

Reforming the Transportation Development Act\*

New options for revenue sources\*

Oversight and reporting\*

\*Recommendation topics as set out in Government Code Section 13979.3 Chapter 1 Sections (e)-(f)



# Proposed MTC Advocacy Priorities

- **Expanded, stable funding for transit is the highest priority.**
- **State should lead on workforce development.**
- **Regions should lead transit coordination.**
- **State should strengthen partnerships to maximize impact.**
- **Report should clearly identify priorities, roles, and responsibilities for state, regions, and transit operators.**





# Input Requested and Next Steps

- Staff is providing information on the SB 125 Task Force and seeking feedback on the content of a draft comment letter.
- Staff will also seek feedback from the Partnership Board on May 12, 2025.
- After incorporating feedback, staff plans to submit a joint letter to CalSTA, in partnership with Bay Area transit agencies and county transportation agencies, consistent with the feedback provided.

