

1-1 By: Watson S.B. No. 1644
1-2 (In the Senate - Filed March 9, 2017; March 22, 2017, read
1-3 first time and referred to Committee on Transportation;
1-4 April 24, 2017, reported adversely, with favorable Committee
1-5 Substitute by the following vote: Yeas 9, Nays 0; April 24, 2017,
1-6 sent to printer.)

1-7 COMMITTEE VOTE

	Yea	Nay	Absent	PNV
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1-9	Nichols	X		
1-10	Hall	X		
1-11	Creighton	X		
1-12	Garcia	X		
1-13	Hancock	X		
1-14	Hinojosa	X		
1-15	Kolkhorst	X		
1-16	Perry	X		
1-17	Rodríguez	X		

1-18 COMMITTEE SUBSTITUTE FOR S.B. No. 1644 By: Hancock

1-19 A BILL TO BE ENTITLED
1-20 AN ACT

1-21 relating to the operations of certain metropolitan rapid transit
1-22 authorities.

1-23 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF TEXAS:

1-24 SECTION 1. Section 451.133(a), Transportation Code, is
1-25 amended to read as follows:

1-26 (a) An authority may not spend for capital improvements
1-27 money in excess of the amounts [~~total amount~~] allocated for major
1-28 capital expenditures in the annual budgets [~~budget~~].

1-29 SECTION 2. Section 451.362, Transportation Code, is amended
1-30 by amending Subsection (a) and adding Subsection (e) to read as
1-31 follows:

1-32 (a) Notwithstanding other provisions of this chapter and
1-33 except as provided by Subsections (c), [~~and~~] (d), and (e), the
1-34 board, by order or resolution, may issue bonds that are secured by
1-35 revenue or taxes of the authority if the bonds:

1-36 (1) have a term of not more than 12 months; and

1-37 (2) are payable only from revenue or taxes received on
1-38 or after the date of their issuance and before the end of the fiscal
1-39 year following the fiscal year in which the bonds are issued.

1-40 (e) In an authority confirmed before July 1, 1985, in which
1-41 the principal municipality has a population of less than one
1-42 million, bonds may have a term of not more than 15 years. The bonds
1-43 are payable only from fee revenue received on or after the date the
1-44 bonds are issued.

1-45 SECTION 3. Sections 451.455(h) and (i), Transportation
1-46 Code, are amended to read as follows:

1-47 (h) The number of accidents per 100,000 miles is computed by
1-48 multiplying the annual number of accidents by 100,000 and dividing
1-49 the product by the number of miles for all service, including
1-50 charter and nonrevenue service, [~~directly operated by the~~
1-51 ~~authority~~] for the same period. In this subsection, "accident"
1-52 includes:

1-53 (1) a collision that involves an authority's revenue
1-54 vehicle, other than a lawfully parked revenue vehicle, and that
1-55 results in property damage, injury, or death; and

1-56 (2) an incident that results in the injury or death of
1-57 a person on board or boarding or alighting from an authority's
1-58 revenue vehicle.

1-59 (i) The number of miles between mechanical road calls is
1-60 computed by dividing the annual number of miles for all service

2-1 [~~directly operated by an authority~~], including charter and
2-2 nonrevenue service, by the number of mechanical road calls for the
2-3 same period. In this subsection, "mechanical road call" means an
2-4 interruption in revenue service that is caused by revenue vehicle
2-5 equipment failure that requires assistance from a person other than
2-6 the vehicle operator before the vehicle can be operated normally.
2-7 SECTION 4. This Act takes effect September 1, 2017.

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