



RESOLUTION ADOPTING A SUPPORT POSITION ON ASSEMBLY BILL (AB) 1184 (Ting)

WHEREAS, The Transportation Authority approves a set of legislative principles to guide transportation policy advocacy in the sessions of the Federal and State Legislatures; and

WHEREAS, With the assistance of the Transportation Authority's legislative advocate in Sacramento, staff has reviewed pending legislation for the current Legislative Session and analyzed it for consistency with the Transportation Authority's adopted legislative principles and for impacts on transportation funding and program implementation in San Francisco and recommended adopting a support position on AB 1184 (Ting); and

WHEREAS, At its September 5, 2018 meeting, the CAC reviewed and discussed Assembly Bill (AB) 1184 (Ting) and adopted a motion of support for the staff recommendation; and

WHEREAS, At its September 11, 2018 meeting, the Board reviewed and discussed Assembly Bill (AB) 1184 (Ting); now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That the Transportation Authority hereby adopts a support position on AB 1184 (Ting); and be it further

RESOLVED, That the Executive Director is directed to communicate this position to all relevant parties.

Attachment: Table 1

San Francisco County Transportation Authority

State Legislation – September 2018

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The last day for each house to pass bills was August 31. The last day for the Governor to sign or veto bills is September 30. The information in the tables below is up-to-date as of September 4 to the best of our knowledge. Mark Watts, the Transportation Authority’s state legislative advocate, will provide an up-to-date overview at the September 11 Board meeting.

Staff is recommending adoption on the first read of a new support position on Assembly Bill (AB) 1184 (Ting) as a time sensitive action shown in **Table 1**. **Table 2** provides an update on AB 2865 (Chiu) which the Transportation Authority is sponsoring, as well as on four other bills of interest. **Table 3** indicates the status of all bills on which the Board has already taken a position this session.

Table 1. Recommendations for New Positions

Recommended Position	Bill # Author	Title and Description
Support	AB 1184 Ting D	<p>City and County of San Francisco: local tax: transportation network companies: autonomous vehicles.</p> <p>This bill would authorize the City and County of San Francisco to levy a local tax on the net rider fares charged by TNC contracted drivers and autonomous vehicles. The tax would be capped at 3.25% of the net rider fare, or 1.5% of the net rider fare for shared rides. The City and County of San Francisco would also be authorized to lower the tax rate for zero-emission vehicles. This tax would be subject to meeting a 2/3 vote threshold at the City and County level.</p> <p>Chair Peskin collaborated with Assemblymember Ting to draft AB 1184. The bill was amended into its current form in mid-August, and passed by both houses on August 31. As of September 4th, the bill was on its way to the Governor. We are recommending adoption of a support position on the first read to help advocate for Governor Brown to approve AB 1184.</p> <p>Due to the timing of the end of this legislative session, Executive Director Tilly Chang has submitted a letter of support on behalf of the Transportation Authority, given that the bill is consistent with the Transportation Authority’s legislative program, and that the bill is consistent with the recommendations from the San Francisco Transportation 2045 Task Force from 2017.</p>

Table 2. Notable Updates on Bills in the 2017-2018 Session

Adopted Position	Bill # Author	Title and Update
Support / Sponsor	AB 2865 Chiu D	<p>High-occupancy toll lanes: Santa Clara Valley Transportation Authority (VTA) – amended bill enrolled and presented to Governor</p> <p>If the Board votes to approve a managed lanes (e.g. carpool/transit lane) project on US-101 and I-280 north of the divide in San Francisco, this bill would give the Transportation Authority the option of asking the Santa Clara Valley Transportation Authority (VTA) to operate the lanes on San Francisco’s behalf. Revenues would be spent according to a Board-approved expenditure plan on transportation projects that benefit transit riders, carpoolers, and drivers in the corridor.</p> <p>At Caltrans’s request, Assemblymember Chiu amended the bill in August to specify that in order to implement the lanes, San Francisco and VTA would have to use the state process established in 2015 through AB 194, the same process through which the Transportation Authority could ask the Bay Area Toll Authority to operate managed lanes in San Francisco. The AB 194 process requires California Transportation Commission approval and mandates that Caltrans has a collaborative role in identifying how revenues are spent. The bill has been enrolled with these amendments.</p>
Support	AB 87 Ting D	<p>Autonomous Vehicles – amended bill enrolled and presented to Governor</p> <p>When the Board approved a support position on this bill in January 2017, it had been authored in direct response to the public safety hazard facing San Francisco when Transportation Network Companies (TNCs) began operating autonomous vehicles in San Francisco without permits or notification to local government. It would have codified the Department of Motor Vehicles’ ability to revoke the vehicle registration for autonomous vehicles that violated its Autonomous Vehicle Tester Program and fine the TNCs that operate the vehicles as well as giving local law enforcement jurisdiction to impound them.</p> <p>The bill was subsequently amended several times. As enrolled, it would allow a peace officer or public employee to impound an autonomous vehicle if it does not have a valid permit for operations on public roads.</p>
	AB 2363 Friedman D	<p>Vision Zero Task Force – bill enrolled and presented to Governor</p> <p>This bill establishes a state Vision Zero Task Force, including the Department of Highway Patrol, the University of California, local governments, and representatives from bicycle safety, transportation advocacy, motorist service, and labor organizations. The Task Force would be required to report back to the Legislature by January 1, 2020 with a detailed analysis of issues and a recommendation as to whether an alternate method for determining speed limits should be considered.</p> <p>Vision Zero has been a San Francisco priority since 2014, and we are pleased to see the State stepping up and taking on this issue. We will work with the San Francisco Municipal Transportation Agency and City staff to ensure San Francisco is engaged in the Task Force process.</p>

Oppose	AB 2989 Flora R	<p>Motorized scooter: use of helmet: maximum speed – amended bill enrolled and presented to Governor</p> <p>When the Board approved an oppose position on this bill, it would have made substantial changes to how these vehicles were governed, including broad permission for parking in the public realm and allowing their use on public sidewalks unless expressly prohibited by local jurisdictions.</p> <p>Recent amendments would remove most of the changes to current statute and limit the scope of the legislation to 1) require helmets only for riders under the age of 18 and 2) authorize the operation of the vehicles on roads with a speed limit up to 35 miles per hour.</p>
Watch	AB 2578 Chiu D	<p>Infrastructure Financing Districts – bill dead</p> <p>This bill would have allowed San Francisco to set up an infrastructure financing district that would contribute an anticipated total of \$250 million to the City’s Seawall Earthquake Safety Program.</p> <p>The bill was held at the Senate Appropriations Committee and therefore failed passage due to opposition from the Department of Finance because of the amount of property taxes that would be diverted from the state.</p>

Table 3. Proposition or Bill Status for Active Positions Taken in the 2017-2018 Session¹

Greyed out rows indicate that the bills died or were chaptered or vetoed prior to this month’s report.

Adopted Positions	Proposition or Bill # Author	Proposition or Bill Title	Status and Changes Since Last Report ¹ (as of 9/4/18)
Support	AB 1 Frazier D	Transportation funding	Assembly Dead
	AB 17 Holden D	Transit Pass Program: free or reduced-fare transit passes	Vetoed
	AB 87 Ting D	Autonomous vehicles	Enrolled and presented to the Governor
	AB 342 Chiu D	Vehicles: automated speed enforcement: five-year pilot program	Assembly Dead
	AB 2304 Holden D	Reduced fare transit pass programs: report.	Senate Dead – did not pass out of Committee by deadline
	AB 2363 Friedman D	Vision Zero Task Force.	Enrolled and presented to the Governor
	AB 2865 Chiu D	High-occupancy toll lanes: Santa Clara Valley Transportation Authority (VTA).	Enrolled and presented to the Governor
	AB 3059 Bloom D	Go Zone demonstration projects.	Assembly Dead
	AB 3124 Bloom D	Vehicles: length limitations: buses: bicycle transportation devices	Chaptered
	SB 422 Wilk R	Transportation projects: comprehensive development lease agreements: Public Private Partnerships	Senate Dead

	SB 760 Wiener D	Bikeways: design guides	Assembly Dead - did not pass out of Committee by deadline
	SB 768 Allen, Wiener D	Transportation projects: comprehensive development lease agreements: Public Private Partnerships	Senate Dead
	SB 1119 Beall D	Low Carbon Transit Operations Program.	Enrolled and presented to the Governor
	SB 1328 Beall D	Mileage-based road usage fee.	Enrolled and presented to the Governor
	SB 1376 Hill D	Transportation network companies: accessibility plans	Enrolled and presented to the Governor
	Prop 69	Transportation Taxes and Fees Lockbox and Appropriations Limit Exemption Amendment. Legislative Constitutional Amendment on California's June 5, 2018 ballot	Passed by California voters on June 5, 2018
Support if Amended	SB 936 Allen, Ben D	Office of Planning and Research: Autonomous Vehicles Smart Planning Task Force.	Senate Dead
	SB 1014 Skinner D	Zero-emission vehicles.	Enrolled and presented to the Governor
Oppose	AB 65 Patterson R	Transportation bond debt service	Assembly Dead
	AB 1756 Brough R	Transportation Funding	Assembly Dead
	AB 2530 Melendez R	Bonds: Transportation	Assembly Dead
	AB 2712 Allen, Travis R	Bonds: Safe, Reliable High-Speed Passenger Train Bond Act for the 21st Century	Assembly Dead
	AB 2989 Flora R	Standup electric scooters.	Enrolled and presented to Governor
	SB 182 Bradford D	Transportation network company: participating drivers: single business license	Chapters
	SB 423 Cannella R	Indemnity: design professionals	Senate Dead
	SB 493 Hill D	Vehicles: right-turn violations	Assembly Dead – did not pass out of Committee by deadline
	SB 1132 Hill D	Vehicles: right turn violations.	Assembly Dead – did not pass out of Committee by deadline

¹Under this column, “Chapters” means the bill is now law, “Dead” means the bill is no longer viable this session, and “Enrolled” means it has passed both Houses of the Legislature.