

General Manager's Report January 11, 2016

GOVERNMENT AFFAIRS UPDATE

FEDERAL

In late December, President Obama signed the FY16 Omnibus Appropriation Bill with a tax extenders agreement which included a permanent extension of parity for the employer-provided transit commuter benefit, a two-year extension of the Alternative Fuels Tax Credit and the alternative fuel vehicle refueling property credit. The alternative fuels tax credit extends to 2016 with provisions made retroactive to January 1, 2015 for transit agencies that fuel vehicles using compressed natural gas.

The 2nd Session of 114th Congress began on January 5, 2016 and President Obama will deliver his final State of the Union address on January 12, 2016.

STATE

State Budget

The Governor is prepared to introduce his State Budget Proposal for the 2016-17 fiscal year tomorrow, January 7.

State Legislature

Both Houses reconvened this week for the 2016 Legislative Session. Notable leadership changes include:

- ✓ The Senate Republican Leader is now Senator Jean Fuller (Bakersfield), replacing Senator Bob Huff;
- ✓ Assemblymember Chad Mayes (Rancho Mirage) is now the Assembly Republican Leader, replacing Kristin Olsen;

The Assembly Democratic Caucus previously selected Assemblymember Anthony Rendon (South Gate) for Speaker, replacing Assemblymember Toni Atkins (San Diego); the transition and full election of the Speakership is scheduled for March 7, 2016.

SYSTEM-WIDE IMPROVEMENT INITIATIVES

Oral report by Laura Ham.

RT CALENDAR

Regional Transit Board Meeting

January 25, 2016
RT Auditorium
6:00 P.M

Mobility Advisory Council

January 14, 2016
RT Auditorium
2:30 P.M

February 4, 2016
RT Auditorium
2:30 P.M

March 3, 2016
RT Auditorium
2:30 P.M

Quarterly Retirement Board Meeting

March 16, 2016
RT Auditorium
9:00 A.M

June 15, 2016
RT Auditorium
9:00 A.M

Paratransit Board Meeting

January 28, 2016
2501 Florin Road
Sacramento, CA
6:00 P.M

March 24, 2016
Sutter Senior Care
1234 U Street
Sacramento, CA
6:00 P.M

May 26, 2016
2501 Florin Road
Sacramento, CA
6:00 P.M