

Prior law provided that the board shall hold regular monthly meetings and may hold additional meetings as it deems necessary. Further provided that a board member who failed to attend three consecutive meetings, or four or more meetings in a one-calendar-year period, without being excused by the chairman of the board shall be removed for cause, and upon removal, that position shall be declared vacant and filled as provided in existing law.

New law changes the required board meetings from monthly meetings to semiannual meetings. Further changes the provision that a board member may be removed for cause from failure to attend three consecutive meetings, or four or more meetings in a one-calendar-year period to two consecutive meetings in a one-calendar-year period.

Existing law provides that all meetings of the board and all minutes and records thereof shall be subject to the Open Meetings Law and Public Records Act. Further provides that a majority of the members of the board shall constitute a quorum and a quorum shall be required for the transaction of all business of the board. All actions of the authority shall be approved by the affirmative vote of a majority of the members present and voting.

New law retains existing law.

Existing law requires the authority to submit a status report, appear before and be subject to oversight of the House and Senate committees on transportation, highways and public works, and on financial matters, to submit a status report and be subject to oversight of the Joint Legislative Committee on the Budget financial matters.

New law retains existing law except that the authority shall appear only upon request of the House and Senate committees on transportation, highways and public works.

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