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METROPOLITAN WATER DISTRICT OF SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA

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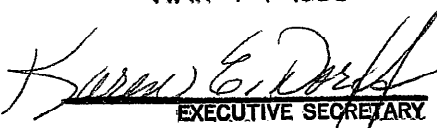
APPROVED *
 By the Board of Directors of
 the Metropolitan Water District
 of Southern California
 at its meeting held

To: Board of Directors (Committee on Legislation--Information)

From: General Manager

Subject: Proposed Revision of MWD Act Section 56

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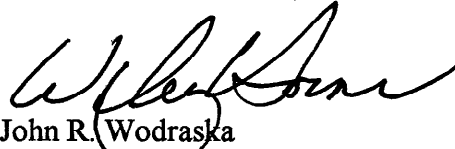

 EXECUTIVE SECRETARY

Report

Section 56 of the Metropolitan Water District Act provides that a member of a governing body of a member public agency can be appointed by that agency to Metropolitan's Board, except in the case of agencies with several such representatives a majority of the members of the governing board of that agency may not be appointed to serve on Metropolitan's Board. Section 56 also prohibits a member of the governing board of a member agency from appointing himself or voting for his own appointment to Metropolitan's Board. Assembly Bill 374, introduced by Assembly Member Willard Murray, and SB 1212 introduced by Senator Teresa Hughes would eliminate the prohibition against a member of the governing board of a member agency from appointing himself or voting for his own appointment to Metropolitan's Board. A copy of these bills are attached to this board letter.

Recommendation

For information only.


 John R. Wodraska
 General Manager

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Attachments

*Board changed to an action item and took a "watch" position.

ASSEMBLY BILL

No. 374

Introduced by Assembly Member Willard Murray

February 10, 1995

An act to amend Section 56 of the Metropolitan Water District Act (Chapter 209 of the Statutes of 1969), relating to water.

LEGISLATIVE COUNSEL'S DIGEST

AB 374, as introduced, W. Murray. Metropolitan water districts.

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This bill would eliminate that prohibition.

Vote: majority. Appropriation: no. Fiscal committee: no. State-mandated local program: no.

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- 3 amended to read:
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- 6 agency to the board of a district to serve as the agency's

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6 ~~governing body shall appoint himself or vote for his own~~
7 ~~appointment.~~ Any director holding such dual offices shall
8 not vote upon any contract between a ~~metropolitan~~
9 ~~water~~ district and the member public agency he *or she*
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SENATE BILL**No. 1212****Introduced by Senator Hughes**

February 24, 1995

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