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Representative Mack offered the following:

Amendment (with title amendment)

Remove line(s) 112-172, and insert:

pursuant to paragraph (c) is a resident tri-county rail.

(3)(a) Members of the governing board of the authority shall serve 4-year staggered terms, except that the terms of the appointees of the Governor shall be concurrent.

(b) The terms of the board members currently serving on the authority that is being succeeded by this act shall expire July 30, 2003, at which time the terms of the members appointed pursuant to subsection (2) shall commence. The Governor shall make his or her appointments to the board within 30 days after July 30, 2003. The terms of the county commissioners on the governing board of the authority shall be 2 years. All other members on the governing board of the authority shall serve

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27 ~~staggered 4-year terms. Each member shall hold office until his~~
28 ~~or her successor has been appointed.~~

29 (4) A vacancy during a term shall be filled by the
30 respective appointing authority in the same manner as the
31 original appointment and only for the balance of the unexpired
32 term.

33 (5) The members of the authority shall serve without ~~not~~
34 ~~be entitled to~~ compensation, but are entitled to reimbursement
35 ~~shall be reimbursed~~ for travel expenses actually incurred in
36 their duties as provided by law.

37 Section 4. Section 343.54, Florida Statutes, is amended to
38 read:

39 343.54 Powers and duties.--

40 (1)(a) The authority created and established by this part
41 shall have the right to own, operate, maintain, and manage a
42 transit ~~commuter rail~~ system in the tri-county area of Broward,
43 Miami-Dade ~~Dade~~, and Palm Beach Counties, hereinafter referred
44 to as the South Florida Regional Transportation Authority Tri-
45 County Rail.

46 (b) It is the express intention of this part that the
47 authority be authorized to plan, develop, own, purchase, lease,
48 or otherwise acquire, demolish, construct, improve, relocate,
49 equip, repair, maintain, operate, and manage a transit ~~commuter~~
50 ~~rail~~ system and transit ~~commuter rail~~ facilities; to establish
51 and determine the ~~such~~ policies ~~as may be~~ necessary for the best
52 interest of the operation and promotion of a transit ~~commuter~~
53 ~~rail~~ system; and to adopt ~~such~~ rules ~~as may be~~ necessary to
54 govern the operation of a transit ~~commuter rail~~ system and
55 transit ~~commuter rail~~ facilities. It is the intent of the

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56 Legislature that the South Florida Regional Transportation
57 Authority shall have the overall authority to coordinate,
58 develop, and operate a regional transportation system within the
59 area served.

60 (c) Notwithstanding subsection (3), the South Florida
61 Regional Transportation Authority may not exercise the powers in
62 paragraph (b) in regard to an existing system for transporting
63 people and goods by any means owned by another entity without
64 the consent of such entity. Furthermore, if the authority
65 acquires, purchases, operates, condemns, or inherits an existing
66 entity, it shall also inherit and assume all rights, assets,
67 labor agreements, appropriations, privileges, and obligations of
68 the existing entity. This paragraph does not preclude the South
69 Florida Regional Transportation Authority from having the
70 primary responsibility to develop and coordinate transportation
71 systems within the South Florida Regional Transportation
72 Authority service area.

73 (2) The authority created in this part ~~herein~~ shall be the
74 successor and assignee of the Tri-County Commuter Rail Authority
75 ~~Organization (TCRO)~~ and shall inherit all rights, assets, labor
76 agreements, appropriations, privileges, and obligations of the
77 Tri-County Commuter Rail Authority TCRO.

80 ===== T I T L E A M E N D M E N T =====

81 Between line(s) 18 and 19, insert:
82 providing conditions for acquisition of an existing entity by
83 the authority;