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Senator Galvano moved the following:

Senate Amendment (with title amendment)

Between lines 1464 and 1465

insert:

Section 33. Paragraphs (a) and (e) of subsection (1) of section 343.91, Florida Statutes, are amended to read:

343.91 Definitions.—

(1) As used in this part, the term:

(a) "Authority" means the Tampa Bay Area Regional Transportation Authority, the body politic and corporate and agency of the state created by this part, covering the eight-



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12 county ~~seven-county~~ area comprised of Citrus, Hernando,
13 Hillsborough, Pasco, Pinellas, Polk, Manatee, and Sarasota
14 Counties.

15 (e)1. "Commuter rail" means a complete system of tracks,
16 guideways, stations, and rolling stock necessary to effectuate
17 medium-distance to long-distance passenger rail service to,
18 from, or within the municipalities within the authority's
19 designated eight-county ~~seven-county~~ region.

20 2. "Heavy rail transit" means a complete rail system
21 operating on an electric railway with the capacity for a heavy
22 volume of traffic, characterized by high-speed and rapid-
23 acceleration passenger rail cars operating singly or in multicar
24 trains on fixed rails in separate rights-of-way from which all
25 other vehicular and pedestrian traffic are excluded. "Heavy rail
26 transit" includes metro, subway, elevated, rapid transit, and
27 rapid rail systems.

28 3. "Light rail transit" means a complete system of tracks,
29 overhead catenaries, stations, and platforms with lightweight
30 passenger rail cars operating singly or in short, multicar
31 trains on fixed rails in rights-of-way that are not separated
32 from other traffic for much of the way.

33 Section 34. Subsection (2) of section 343.92, Florida
34 Statutes, is amended to read:

35 343.92 Tampa Bay Area Regional Transportation Authority.—

36 (2) The governing board of the authority shall consist of
37 16 voting members.

38 (a) ~~There shall be one nonvoting, ex officio member of The~~
39 ~~board who shall be appointed by the~~ secretary of the department
40 shall appoint an advisor to the board ~~but~~ who must be the



41 district secretary for one of the department districts within
42 the eight-county ~~seven-county~~ area of the authority, at the
43 discretion of the secretary of the department.

44 (b) The 16 ~~There shall be 15~~ voting members of the board
45 shall be as follows:

46 1. The county commissions of Citrus, Hernando,
47 Hillsborough, Pasco, Pinellas, Polk, Manatee, and Sarasota
48 Counties shall each appoint one elected official to the board.
49 Members appointed under this subparagraph shall serve 2-year
50 terms with not more than three consecutive terms being served by
51 any person. If a member under this subparagraph leaves elected
52 office, a vacancy exists on the board to be filled as provided
53 in this subparagraph.

54 2. The West Central Florida M.P.O. Chairs Coordinating
55 Committee shall appoint one member to the board who must be a
56 chair of one of the six metropolitan planning organizations in
57 the region. The member appointed under this subparagraph shall
58 serve a 2-year term with not more than three consecutive terms
59 being served by any person.

60 3.a. Two members of the board shall be the mayor, or the
61 mayor's designee, of the largest municipality within the service
62 area of each of the following independent transit agencies or
63 their legislatively created successor agencies: Pinellas
64 Suncoast Transit Authority and Hillsborough Area Regional
65 Transit Authority. The largest municipality is that municipality
66 with the largest population as determined by the most recent
67 United States Decennial Census.

68 b. Should a mayor choose not to serve, his or her designee
69 must be an elected official selected by the mayor from that



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70 largest municipality's city council or city commission. A mayor
71 or his or her designee shall serve a 2-year term with not more
72 than three consecutive terms being served by any person.

73 c. A designee's term ends if the mayor leaves office for
74 any reason. If a designee leaves elected office on the city
75 council or commission, a vacancy exists on the board to be
76 filled by the mayor of that municipality as provided in sub-
77 subparagraph a.

78 d. A mayor who has served three consecutive terms on the
79 board must designate an elected official from that largest
80 municipality's city council or city commission to serve on the
81 board for at least one term.

82 4.a. One membership on the board shall rotate every 2 years
83 between the mayor, or his or her designee, of the largest
84 municipality within Manatee County and the mayor, or his or her
85 designee, of the largest municipality within Sarasota County.
86 The mayor, or his or her designee, from the largest municipality
87 within Manatee County shall serve the first 2-year term. The
88 largest municipality is that municipality with the largest
89 population as determined by the most recent United States
90 Decennial Census.

91 b. Should a mayor choose not to serve, his or her designee
92 must be an elected official selected by the mayor from that
93 municipality's city council or city commission.

94 5. The Governor shall appoint to the board four business
95 representatives, each of whom must reside in one of the eight
96 ~~seven~~ counties governed by the authority, none of whom may be
97 elected officials, and at least one but not more than two of
98 whom shall represent counties within the federally designated



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99 Tampa Bay Transportation Management Area. Members appointed by
100 the Governor shall serve 3-year terms with not more than two
101 consecutive terms being served by any person.

102 (c) Appointments may be staggered to avoid mass turnover at
103 the end of any 2-year or 4-year period. A vacancy during a term
104 shall be filled by the respective appointing authority within 90
105 days in the same manner as the original appointment and only for
106 the remainder of the unexpired term.

107 Section 35. Subsection (1) and paragraphs (c) through (e)
108 of subsection (3) of section 343.922, Florida Statutes, are
109 amended to read:

110 343.922 Powers and duties.—

111 (1) The express purposes of the authority are to improve
112 mobility and expand multimodal transportation options for
113 passengers and freight throughout the eight-county ~~seven-county~~
114 Tampa Bay region.

115 (3)

116 (c) Before the adoption of the master plan, the authority
117 shall hold at least one public meeting in each of the eight
118 ~~seven~~ counties within the designated region. At least one public
119 hearing must be held before the authority's board.

120 (d) After its adoption, the master plan shall be updated
121 every 5 ~~2~~ years before July 1.

122 (e) The authority shall present the original master plan
123 and updates to the governing bodies of the counties within the
124 eight-county ~~seven-county~~ region, to the West Central Florida
125 M.P.O. Chairs Coordinating Committee, and to the legislative
126 delegation members representing those counties within 90 days
127 after adoption.



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And the title is amended as follows:

Delete line 178

and insert:

vehicle; amending s. 343.91, F.S.; adding Polk County
to the list of counties covered under the Tampa Bay
Area Regional Transportation Authority; amending s.
343.92, F.S.; revising the voting membership of the
governing board of the Tampa Bay Area Regional
Transportation Authority; amending s. 343.922, F.S.;
conforming provisions to changes made by the act;
amending s. 526.141, F.S.; requiring self-