

# Caltrain State and Federal Legislative Update

JPB AMP Meeting  
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- President Biden's FY 2024 Budget
  - Flexibility for transit agencies
- Rail Safety Act (S. 576)
  - Would place new regulations on freight rail operators transporting hazardous substances
- FTA Rail Vehicle Replacement Grant Program
  - Caltrain has applied to replace 3 diesel trains with new EMUs
- FRA Corridor ID Program
  - Caltrain submitted a letter of support on behalf of CHSRA's application
- Federal-State Partnership for Intercity Passenger Rail Grant Program
  - Caltrain planning to apply for Diridon Station, partnering with other DISC members

- State Budget
  - Caltrain continues to work with MTC, CTA, and other partners to maintain the previously allocated \$2B for the Transit and Intercity Rail Capital Program that was cut in the Governor's budget as well as address the transit operating fiscal cliff
- Bills
  - Surplus Land Act – SB-747 (Caballero) and AB 480 (Ting)
  - Teleconference Meetings – AB 817 (Pacheco) and AB 557 (Hart)
- CARB In-Use Locomotive Regulation
  - Latest draft released March 1 included a new Alternative Fleet Milestone Option
  - Caltrain submitted comments on March 16

# Legislative Proposal: Support AB 463

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- AB 463 (Hart) – Electricity: prioritization of service: public transit vehicles.
  - Assemblymember Hart introduced AB 463
  - Bill would require the CPUC to consider the impacts of stopping electrical service to the operation of public transit vehicles when establishing priorities for electrical services that provide public benefits
  - Bill was included in the March 22 hearing in the Assembly Utilities and Energy Committee
  - **Recommend Support**

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