

1 [Support Assembly Bill 2324 Regarding Public Transit Facilities]

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3 **Resolution in support of Assembly Bill 2324 regarding Public Transit Facilities, making**  
4 **it a misdemeanor for any person to knowingly possess specified weapons at a public**  
5 **transit vehicle facility.**

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7 WHEREAS, The Board of Supervisors of the City and County of San Francisco  
8 recognize that safety on public transit and around public transportation areas is of paramount  
9 importance; and,

10 WHEREAS, During the first four months of this year, there were over 100 criminal  
11 incidents reported each month on Muni, including assault, robbery, and graffiti; and,

12 WHEREAS, Assembly Bill 2324, introduced by Assembly Member John A. Perez (D-  
13 Los Angeles), aims to strengthen security for individuals who use buses, trains and other  
14 public transportation systems; and,

15 WHEREAS, AB2324 would create a new crime and make it a misdemeanor for any  
16 person to knowingly possess specified weapons at a public transit vehicle facility and  
17 prohibits a person from intentionally engaging in dangerous activities that can jeopardize the  
18 safety of transit personnel and passengers; and,

19 WHEREAS, The Assembly Bill would also prohibit a person from intentionally avoiding  
20 screening and inspection when entering areas of an airport or passenger vessel terminal  
21 which is generally controlled in a manner consistent with that public transit authority's security  
22 plan; and,

23 WHEREAS, The City and County of San Francisco has several efforts underway to  
24 improve safety for public transit riders, including a partnership between the Municipal  
25 Transportation Agency (MTA) and San Francisco Police Department (SFPD); and,

1           WHEREAS, Local efforts coupled with statewide legislation will send a strong message  
2 to the community that no crimes will be tolerated in our public transit areas; and,

3           WHEREAS, AB2324 is currently pending a vote in the Senate after being passed  
4 unanimously by the Assembly, Senate Public Safety Committee and Senate Appropriations  
5 Committee; now, therefore be it

6           RESOLVED, That the Board of Supervisors of the City and County of San Francisco  
7 supports AB2324 and urges Governor Schwarzenegger to sign AB2324 if passed.