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MEMORANDUM

To: CMAP Climate Committee

From: CMAP Intergovernmental Affairs Staff

Date: October 17, 2025

Subject: Legislative update

Action Requested: Information

Veto session update

The General Assembly is scheduled to convene during veto session, which is taking place on October 14-16 and October 28-30, 2025. The information outlined in this memo is limited to the time of this writing. The Intergovernmental Affairs (IGA) team has identified the following items as key priorities for the upcoming veto session:

Transit funding and reform

Transit funding and reform remains one of the top issues the General Assembly is anticipated to address during veto session. The House Public Transit Working Group has been working throughout the summer on a revised bill and conversations within the Senate have continued.

To support these conversations, CMAP staff have [conducted analysis](#) to better understand the current nature of the fiscal cliff, costs and revenues in the proposal that passed the Senate during regular session (HB3438), and a possible revenue package that include a balance of options that are 1) available in the short-term to address the immediate fiscal cliff and 2) longer-term sources that require some ramp up time but can keep pace with expected cost growth and support a transformational investment in transit.

Ahead of the veto session, CMAP released this analysis in a [PART policy update \(October 2025\)](#), which outlines the multi-year transition process for governance reform in addition to near-term and long-term funding solutions that can make a transformational investment in transit.

On October 15, 2025, CMAP Executive Director Erin Aleman testified before the House Executive Committee subject matter hearing on the RTA fiscal cliff, presenting an overview of the PART policy update and emphasizing the critical role transit plays in the northeastern Illinois and state's economy.

Energy omnibus

During the last few weeks of the spring legislative session, Representative Jay Hoffman filed [HA6](#) to [SB40](#), creating the Clean and Reliable Grid Affordability Act. The legislation seeks to develop more clean

energy resources, set renewable energy targets, upgrade the grid to increase capacity, provide consumers with tools to reduce their energy bills, and enhance state planning.

While SB40 HA6 was not considered before the General Assembly adjourned on June 1, 2025, legislators have expressed an interest in passing an energy omnibus this veto session. Leader Hoffman recently filed [HB4116](#), [HB4120](#), and [HA2](#) to [SB25](#). All of which include similar provisions found in SB40 or the Clean and Reliable Grid Affordability Act.

Both House and Senate committees have scheduled subject matter hearings to provide an opportunity for legislators, advocates, and stakeholders to engage in discussions on the proposed energy omnibus legislation in advance of the upcoming veto session.