

MEMORANDUM

To: CMAP Transportation Committee

From: CMAP Staff

Date: August 30, 2024

Subject: State legislative update

Action Requested: Information

Senate transit subject matter hearings

The Senate Transportation Committee has completed four of six scheduled hearings the region and state to hear input on opportunities to improve transit service. Below is the published schedule for future hearings (as of August 30, 2024):

Wednesday, Sept. 18 at 10 a.m.

Location: Northwest Suburbs of Cook County and Lake County (exact location TBD)

Subject Matter: Transit mitigates climate impact

Wednesday, Oct. 16 at 10 a.m.

Location: Springfield (exact location TBD)

Subject Matter: Funding transit is a statewide priority

As legislative deliberations progress, CMAP will continue to provide legislators with input and analysis aligned with the PART report to help inform future discussions.

House public transit working group

On August 29th, Speaker Welch announced the formation of a House working group designed to evaluate and make recommendation on how to improve public transit in Illinois. The working group will be co-led by Representative Kam Buckner and Representative Eva-Dina Delgado. Members of the working group include:

- Rep. Dagmara Avelar
- Rep. Diane Blair-Sherlock
- Rep. Mary Beth Canty
- Rep. William “Will” Davis

- Rep. Mary Gill
- Rep. Matt Hanson
- Rep. Barbara Hernandez
- Rep. Hoan Huynh
- Rep. Natalie Manley
- Rep. Rita Mayfield
- Rep. Anna Moeller
- Rep. Yolanda Morris
- Rep. Marty Moylan

CMAP looks forward to providing the working group with analysis and resources developed throughout the PART process to help guide decision making.

Legislative updates

The Illinois General Assembly remains adjourned until veto session, which will take place on November 12-14 and November 19-21. Over the summer, the Intergovernmental Affairs team has met with members of CMAP’s legislative delegation to enhance existing and build new relationships and provide update about our work. We have also been closely monitoring the Senate Transportation Committee hearings that have taken place across the region to provide a forum for input on local and regional transit service needs.

Below, please find below an update on key bills and legislative activity of interest. This information is up to date as of August 30, 2024.

SB3389/HB5078: RPA Modernization Bill

SB3389 was signed into law by the Governor on August 8, 2024. It is now Public Act 103-0986. The Act goes into effect on January 1, 2025.

Transportation bills of interest

CMAP’s Intergovernmental Affairs team continues to track legislation before the Illinois General Assembly that impacts the region and is relevant to CMAP’s work. The following has been identified as pieces of legislation being considered before the Illinois General Assembly that may be of interest to the Transportation Committee.

It should be noted this list is not an exhaustive list of legislation being tracked by CMAP’s Intergovernmental Affairs team. For more information on other tracked legislation, please contact Ryan Gougis, IGA Specialist at rgougis@cmapp.illinois.gov.

Transportation Safety

HB3530 HA1: VEH CD-CHANGE TO SPEED LIMIT (Rep. Buckner)

Description: Amends the Illinois Vehicle Code. Provides that, on and after October 1, 2023, the default speed limit is 20 (instead of 30) miles per hour within an urban district, and 10 (instead

of 15) miles per hour in an alley within an urban district. Provides that a county, municipality, or township with speed enforcement authority may only issue warnings for violations during the first 60 days after enactment. HA1 removes the requirement for the Secretary of State to communicate this change by September 1, 2023 to every licensed driver in the state.

Status: Re-referred to House Rules on 4/19/24

HB4451: VEH CD-SPEED CAMERA REVENUE (Rep. Andrade, Jr.)

Description: Establishes that a municipality that operates an automated speed enforcement system shall set aside 10% of the net proceeds from each system that generates more than \$500,000 in revenue for the school or park in the safety zone in which the automated speed enforcement system is located. Provides that the set aside proceeds may be allocated for any purpose designated by the school district or park district.

Status: Referred to Senate Assignments on 6/26/2024

HB4848: VEH CD-LOAD COVERS (Rep. Keicher/Sen. Harriss)

Description: Amends the Illinois Vehicle Code. Provides that no person shall operate or cause to be operated, on a highway, a commercial motor vehicle, with the exception of a highway maintenance vehicle, transporting garbage or refuse unless the tailgate on the vehicle is in good working repair, good operating condition, and closes securely, with a cover or tarpaulin of sufficient size attached so as to prevent any load, residue, or other material from escaping. Provides that a violation of the provisions shall be a petty offense punishable by a fine not to exceed \$150 (rather than \$250). Provides that a person, firm, or corporation convicted of 4 or more violations within a 12-month period shall be fined an additional amount of \$150 for the fourth and each subsequent conviction within the 12-month period. Amends the Criminal and Traffic Assessment Act. In provisions concerning conditional assessments, provides for distribution of a conditional assessment for a violation of the provisions.

Status: Signed by the Governor on 8/9/2024 (P.A. 103-0730)

Transit and Bike/Ped

HB4489 HA1: BIKE/PEDESTRIAN PATH FUNDING (Rep. Ness)

Description: Amends the Illinois Highway Code. Provides that the Department of Transportation shall establish and solely fund bicycle and pedestrian ways in conjunction with the construction, reconstruction, or other change of any State transportation facility in an unincorporated area of a county that is located within one mile of a municipality with a population of over 50,000 (in addition to in or within one mile of a municipality with a population of over 1,000 people). Allows a county (in addition to a municipality) to opt out of bicycle and pedestrian way construction by passing a resolution stating that a bicycle or pedestrian way does not fit within its development plan.

Status: Referred to Senate Assignments on 6/26/2024

SB3202: BIKEWAY ACT-TRANSPORT PLAN (Sen. Toro)

Description: Amends the Bikeway Act. Provides that a municipality or county may prepare a bicycle transportation plan. Specifies the information that must be included in the plan.

Status: Signed by the Governor on 8/9/2024 (P.A. 103-0950)

Transportation Infrastructure and Funding

HB5511: 2024 PROCUREMENT OMNIBUS (Rep. Hoffman/Sen. Castro)

Description: Creates the procurement omnibus and provides for numerous changes to the Procurement Code. Creates the Progressive Design-Build Pilot Program Act. Provides that the Capital Development Board may elect to use the progressive design-build delivery method. Sets forth other provisions concerning procedures for selection and submission of qualifications, the award of contracts, pricing, and federal requirements. Makes other changes. One change of note is the restoration of the language stricken last session from the Public-Private Partnerships for Transportation Act that requires any transportation facility developed under this act to be consistent with the regional plan of the MPO in whose boundaries the project is located. It also expands the definition of a “responsible public entity” to include the five most populous counties in Illinois, in addition to IDOT and Tollway.

Status: Signed by the Governor on 8/9/2024 (P.A. 103-0865)

HB5138: IDOT-STUDIES-LOCAL GOVERNMENTS (Rep. Meier/Sen. Plummer)

Description: Amends the Department of Transportation Law of the Civil Administrative Code of Illinois. Provides that upon request by a unit of local government, the Department shall make available any study or survey completed by the Department that concerns traffic or the environmental impact on road construction projects. Allows a study or survey conducted by the Department to be substituted for a study or survey required by a unit of local government for construction projects affecting a portion of a state right-of-way. Provides that studies or surveys prohibited from disclosure by State or federal statutory confidentiality restrictions are not required to be made available. Effective Immediately.

Status: Signed by the Governor on 8/9/2024 (P.A. 103-0694)