



## **ILLINOIS CONSUMERS FACE RECORD INCREASE IN ELECTRICITY BILLS UNLESS LEGISLATURE BLOCKS NEW TRUMP-BACKED FOSSIL-FUEL BAILOUT**

The Clean Energy Jobs Act (HB 3624/SB 2321) is the only viable alternative to an explosive increase in electricity costs – believed to be the largest in state history – for millions of Illinois consumers. This increase is the result of a recent regulatory ruling by appointees of President Trump to the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission (FERC).

It isn't just advocates for the Clean Energy Jobs Act saying this is bad for Illinois.

### **ILLINOIS ATTORNEY GENERAL**

The federal government decision "will require the ratepayers of states with disfavored policies to "pay for [electricity] capacity twice. . . . This is not only economically inefficient, **it is also unfair and punitive to the ratepayers in states** that have established renewable policies disfavored by" FERC.

### **SOLAR ENERGY INDUSTRIES ASSOCIATION (SEIA)**

The FERC decision "**is bad for renewable energy, bad for states and bad for customers.** While cities and states are rapidly expanding their clean energy goals, FERC is constructing barriers that make it more difficult and expensive to choose renewable resources in the PJM capacity market. This action is misguided and does a disservice to states that are listening to their constituents' demands for clean energy."

### **ILLINOIS COMMERCE COMMISSION**

The federal regulatory decision "forces states to either leave PJM's capacity market or **allow FERC and PJM to usurp the states'** role.

The federal government "**is pursuing a counter-productive crusade against the states'**" and is engaging in "a direct attack on the states' [electricity] resource decision making ...."

### **AMERICAN WIND ENERGY ASSOCIATION (AWEA)**

The FERC decision "**threatens states'** rights and hinders their ability to bring more clean energy to their communities."

### **EDF RENEWABLES**

The FERC order will "**result in unjust and unreasonable rates by limiting competition and artificially raising capacity prices'** .

### **ORGANIZATION OF PJM STATES (OPSI)**

The FERC decision "**punishes consumer preference and states'** lawful decision-making regarding [electric] generation resources by artificially inflating capacity prices and keeping certain new and existing resources from clearing in the capacity market."

**CEJA contains consumer protections that would not only prevent the Trump administration's cost increase from taking effect, but would guarantee lower northern Illinois power bills below their current levels.**