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The Clean Energy Jobs Act - SB2132 (Castro) / HB3624 (Williams) - sets a bold vision for Illinois's 100% renewable energy future and charts an equitable course that lifts up workers and families. CEJA dramatically expands career development and wealth building programs and prepares us for the transitions that lie ahead. Its dedication to climate and energy justice cuts across all sectors of the energy economy to ensure Black and Brown communities and communities of color benefit in the clean energy future. These fact sheets each represent one core component of CEJA - we encourage you to explore the entire series.

ELECTRIC TRANSPORTATION

CLEANING THE AIR AND PREPARING FOR THE ELECTRIC VEHICLE FUTURE

POWERED BY LIGHTNING: EMISSION-FREE ELECTRIC CARS

CEJA sets new targets for electrification of transportation. It requires utilities to listen to consumers and other stakeholders to plan for a world in transition from fossil fueled vehicles to clean electric vehicles. These new vehicles will require new electricity, so CEJA creates a planning process to ensure the transition is done in a way that lowers costs of the electric grid. These plans must incorporate significant stakeholder input and address opportunities for environmental justice and low-income communities to benefit from electrification.

ELECTRIC VEHICLE (EV) ACCESS FOR ALL

Provides short term access to rentable electric vehicles through an EV Car Sharing program.

Creates the Carbon Free Last Mile initiative to provide clean transportation that extend public transit's reach.

Encourages clean vehicles (new and used) via EV Rebates for low-income communities.

EV MASS MARKET IN UTILITY TERRITORIES

Provides EV charger rebates for customers who spread electric demand over time, benefiting the grid.

Builds new public EV charging stations in population-dense and/or low-income areas.

Builds quick charge stations in rural areas and along highways.

MEDIUM AND HEAVY-DUTY VEHICLE ELECTRIFICATION

Funds transit vehicles and infrastructure and incremental costs for transit, school bus, government, and commercial vehicle electrification. These efforts focus on low income and environmental justice communities and reducing grid costs.



HOW IS IT PAID FOR?

Utility funding. Major utilities like ComEd and Ameren are required to directly fund medium and heavy-duty vehicle programs (up to \$25m/yr) and EV mass-market programs (up to \$17.5m/yr) within their service territories while keeping rates low. Utilities will reimburse state for EV Access for All (up to \$7.5m/yr).



WHY IS IT URGENT?

Vehicles are now Illinois' biggest source of climate pollution. Their emissions also contribute to respiratory illness that disproportionately affects low income communities and communities of color. Lower fuel and maintenance costs of EVs, combined with cost benefits to the electric grid, make EVs a much needed investment.



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