



To protect Illinois from price spikes... Support the Clean and Reliable Grid Affordability Act (SB25)

The Illinois General Assembly must pass the Clean and Reliable Grid Affordability (CRGA) Act (SB25) in the October veto session to help bring down electricity costs for consumers and businesses and stabilize our energy market.

The Problem:

- Illinois consumers are threatened with massive electricity price spikes—about a 50 percent jump in energy prices for ComEd and Ameren customers this summer—because of a supply crunch and an unprecedented increase in power demand from new data centers.
- Regional grid operators are taking years to approve affordable clean energy projects, preventing full implementation of strong state energy policy—the Climate and Equitable Jobs Act (CEJA)—and leading to capacity shortages. PJM has the longest interconnection queue in the nation; it takes more than five years to connect clean energy projects to the grid.

Illinois must manage these new energy challenges to protect families across the state from price spikes and power shortages.

The Solution:

- Expedite the implementation of the Climate and Equitable Jobs Act (CEJA), which created a roadmap for investing in the most cost-effective energy sources—wind, solar and battery projects—to bring down energy prices. In 2024 alone, Illinois added 2.5 gigawatts of capacity from solar.
- Pass the Clean and Reliable Grid Affordability (CRGA) Act (SB25) to build off CEJA's benefits and manage new power demands. The legislation offers a comprehensive, commonsense plan to meet the challenges facing our electric grid by making cost-effective investments that prioritize affordability and reliability for consumers and businesses.

The Clean and Reliable Grid Affordability (CRGA) Act:

Among a comprehensive suite of reforms, the CRGA Act will:

- Add 6 gigawatts (GW) of battery storage to the system, enough to power millions of homes. Smart, cost-effective investments in battery storage will allow Illinois to store energy and use it when needed most, making our power grid more resilient and reducing costs for consumers from volatile energy markets.
- Give Illinois consumers tools to reduce their utility bills by increasing access to rebates to weatherize homes and purchase efficient appliances, and increasing funds for low-income energy efficiency programs as the federal government rolls back similar programs.
- Strengthen the power grid by promoting improvements to transmission infrastructure, maximizing the amount of clean electricity power lines can carry (through grid-enhancing technologies), and reducing bottlenecks in the process to develop and improve transmission lines.

Support the CRGA Act (SB25)!

For the sake of our power bills and our grid, lawmakers must co-sponsor and vote YES on the Clean and Reliable Grid Affordability (CRGA) Act (SB25) in the October veto session.