

Public Private Partnerships for Transportation Act

Providing authority to enter into public-private agreements for transportation investment

Senate Bill 146 Sponsor: Sen. Heather Steans (D-Chicago)

House Bill 1091 Sponsor: Rep. Elaine Nekritz (D-Des Plaines)

What is the purpose of the PPP Act?

The Public-Private Partnerships (PPP) for Transportation Act will promote the sound development and operation of transportation facilities in Illinois, by authorizing public-private partnerships for the construction of new transportation infrastructure projects and limiting the lease of existing infrastructure assets. Authorizing public-private partnerships will allow Illinois to seek new sources of investment capital and more efficiently deliver infrastructure improvements, to improve our transportation system to better serve the needs of Illinois residents and businesses.

“Tolling, pricing, and public-private partnerships present effective strategies on their own. But when they’re linked, they offer enormous opportunities to address the transportation challenges facing our country.”

Victor Mendez, FHWA Administrator, U.S.DOT

The Act will cover all transportation infrastructure under the jurisdiction of the following:



Airports owned and operated by an airport authority created and established under the Airport Authorities Act.

What does the PPP Act do?

- The Illinois General Assembly must approve all potential PPP projects prior to issuing RFQs or RFPs.
- All projects considered for public-private partnerships must be consistent with the corresponding region’s plan, provided the region has a Metropolitan Planning Organization.
- The Commission on Government Forecasting and Accountability will conduct an independent review of all project proposals prior to final approval of a public-private partnership to ensure it serves the public’s interest.
- The public-private agreement will not include a noncompete clause.
- In cases where the project pertains to an existing transportation facility, the contractor will adhere to all existing employee contracts and obligations.
- Property belonging to the State of Illinois is not subject to taxation.
- Enables PPP to be used for High Speed Rail

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