

# HB5664



## 103RD GENERAL ASSEMBLY

State of Illinois

2023 and 2024

**HB5664**

Introduced 2/20/2024, by Rep. Martin J. Moylan

### SYNOPSIS AS INTRODUCED:

Appropriates \$500,000,000 in specified amounts to the Department of Transportation from the Road Fund for capital and operational expenditures related to the Statewide Railway Program. Effective July 1, 2024.

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A BILL FOR

1 AN ACT concerning appropriations.

2 **Be it enacted by the People of the State of Illinois, represented**  
3 **in the General Assembly:**

4 Section 5. The following named amounts, or so much thereof  
5 as may be necessary, are appropriated to the Department of  
6 Transportation for expenses related to the Statewide Railway  
7 Program:

8 Payable from the Road Fund:

9 For Expenses of planning, design,  
10 and environmental clearance of  
11 a new electrified high-speed line  
12 designed for speeds in excess  
13 of 186 miles per hour ..... \$70,000,000

14 For expenses of capital improvements  
15 in railroad lines that currently  
16 host at least 16 passenger trains  
17 per day, 8 in each direction, on  
18 existing passenger rail routes;  
19 upgrades for existing railroad  
20 lines or to construct railroad  
21 lines to establish new passenger  
22 rail routes that host a least 16  
23 passenger trains per day, 8 in each

1 direction, for persons renewing  
 2 their vehicle registration  
 3 online; repairing or constructing  
 4 of new bridges; installing or  
 5 modernizing overhead catenary  
 6 for electrically powered trains;  
 7 upgrading existing mainline tracks  
 8 to FRA Class 5 standards or better;  
 9 adding second or third mainline  
 10 tracks; installing train control  
 11 systems for speeds in excess of 80 mph .....\$230,000,000

12 For expenses of purchasing modern  
 13 trains and the construction of  
 14 new maintenance facilities or the  
 15 modernization of existing maintenance  
 16 facilities .....\$100,000,000

17 For salaries and other expenses  
 18 related to adding professional  
 19 staff in the rail division of  
 20 the Office of Intermodal Project  
 21 Implementation ..... \$2,000,000

22 For the operation of passenger  
 23 trains linking communities  
 24 outside of the Regional Transportation  
 25 Authority boundaries to Chicago and

1 O'Hare; operation of passenger  
2 trains linking communities  
3 outside of the Regional Transportation  
4 Authority boundaries to other  
5 communities outside of the  
6 Regional Transportation Authority  
7 boundaries; operation of  
8 regional buses to connect  
9 communities without a railway  
10 station to the railway network  
11 and to supplement frequency on  
12 existing routes if the bus  
13 operations funded through this  
14 program have joint ticketing with  
15 the State railway network .....\$98,000,000  
16 Total \$500,000,000

17 Section 99. Effective date. This Act takes effect July 1,  
18 2024.