

1 AN ACT concerning transportation.

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

4 Section 5. The Department of Transportation Law of the  
5 Civil Administrative Code of Illinois is amended by adding  
6 Section 2705-320 as follows:

7 (20 ILCS 2705/2705-320 new)

8 Sec. 2705-320. Build Illinois Transit Program; new  
9 facilities and service.

10 (a) The Department of Transportation must establish the  
11 Build Illinois Transit Program to develop and maintain a  
12 safe, affordable, comprehensive, attractive, and reliable  
13 public transit system in Illinois. The Build Illinois  
14 Transit Program shall provide for the repair, construction,  
15 and acquisition of property and equipment for mass  
16 transportation facilities and new or expanded mass  
17 transportation service and facilities, including rapid  
18 transit, rail, bus, and other equipment used in connection  
19 with mass transit, by the State, a public entity, or 2 or  
20 more of these entities authorized to provide and promote  
21 public transportation within the State in order to expand  
22 public transit service in the City of Chicago and the entire  
23 State of Illinois and to ensure that the physical  
24 infrastructure for public transit, including tracks, signals,  
25 crossings, buses, and trains, are all safe and up-to-date.  
26 Build Illinois Transit Program expenditures for mass  
27 transportation service and facilities within the State must:

28 (1) Maximize federal funds for the assistance of  
29 mass transportation facilities in Illinois.

30 (2) Facilitate the movement of all persons,  
31 including those persons who, because of age, economic

1 circumstance, or physical infirmity, are unable to drive.

2 (3) Contribute to an improved environment through  
3 the reduction of air, water, and noise pollution.

4 (4) Reduce traffic congestion and suburban highway  
5 and road sprawl.

6 (5) Facilitate the transportation of Illinois  
7 residents to places of employment and to commercial,  
8 medical, and shopping districts.

9 (6) Increase the frequency and reliability of  
10 public transit service.

11 (b) For the purpose of this Section:

12 "Carrier" means any public or private entity authorized  
13 to provide mass transportation within the State.

14 "Facilities" comprise all real and personal property used  
15 in or appurtenant to a mass transportation system.

16 "Mass transportation" means transportation provided  
17 within the State by rapid transit, rail, bus, or other  
18 conveyance available to the public on a regular and  
19 continuing basis.

20 "Unit of local government" has the meaning provided in  
21 Section 1 of Article VII of the Illinois Constitution.

22 (c) Under the Build Illinois Transit Program, the  
23 Department may (i) enter into contracts for new mass  
24 transportation facilities and (ii) make grants, funded by the  
25 bonds authorized in subsection (b-5) of Section 4 of the  
26 General Obligation Bond Act. Nothing shall preclude the use  
27 of bonds authorized in subsection (b-5)(3)(i) of Section 4 of  
28 the General Obligation Bond Act as matching funds for  
29 projects receiving federal funding. For the payment of the  
30 principal and interest on the bonds, the Comptroller must  
31 order transferred and the Treasurer must transfer  
32 \$354,800,000 annually from the General Revenue Fund to the  
33 Build Illinois Transit Program Fund, a special fund created  
34 in the State Treasury, until the bonds are retired.

1       (d) The Department must make Build Illinois Transit  
2 grants for fiscal years 2004 through 2008, unless otherwise  
3 specified, to units of local government and carriers for  
4 repair, construction, and acquisition of property and  
5 equipment for mass transportation facilities and new or  
6 expanded mass transportation service and facilities. The  
7 grants must be made upon the terms and conditions as in the  
8 judgment of the Secretary are necessary to ensure their  
9 proper and effective use. The Department must make grants  
10 for the repair, construction, and acquisition of property and  
11 equipment for mass transportation facilities and new or  
12 expanded public transit and mass transportation service and  
13 facilities to:

14           (1) the Chicago Transit Authority to:

15                   (A) Complete the capital construction needs  
16 listed as unfunded in the approved 2000-2004 capital  
17 budget plan for the Chicago Transit Authority.

18                   (B) Purchase up to 585 new buses and 537 new  
19 rail cars, including hiring sufficient maintenance  
20 personnel to keep the equipment safe and operating.  
21 The new buses and rail cars shall be used to expand  
22 service levels (specifically service miles and  
23 service frequency) in the system.

24                   (C) Initiate planning, design, and  
25 implementation of (i) the 3 major expansion projects  
26 identified in the Chicago Area Transportation Study  
27 2020 Regional Plan, (ii) a 3-year plan beginning in  
28 2004 to increase transit ridership by reducing fares  
29 to a level comparable to the level of inflation  
30 since 1980.

31           (2) Metra and Pace to implement the recommendations  
32 and needs identified in their report, Future Agenda for  
33 Suburban Transportation (prepared in 1993) to:

34                   (A) Accelerate the repair and upgrade of Metra

1 tracks, signals, bridges, and stations and the  
2 purchase of new rolling stock to expand service  
3 levels; and initiate planning to construct  
4 interchanges between CTA and Metra where their  
5 tracks are in close proximity.

6 (B) Expand the level of service offered by  
7 Pace to meet the fiscal year 2010 goal stated in the  
8 Pace capital plan for 2000-2010 by purchasing 2,200  
9 new fixed route and paratransit buses for Pace;  
10 construct garages and maintenance facilities to  
11 maintain them; and complete construction of the  
12 proposed 96 Park-N-Ride facilities.

13 (3) Other transit systems in Illinois to implement  
14 the recommendations and needs identified in the Capital  
15 Vision Project prepared by the Illinois Public Transit  
16 Association to replace 900 existing buses, paratransit  
17 vehicles, and maintenance vehicles and purchase 800 new  
18 buses, paratransit vehicles, and maintenance vehicles  
19 along with necessary computer and administrative centers  
20 and garages to keep the system operating safely.

21 (4) Transit systems and government agencies in  
22 Illinois to provide full funding for non-motorized  
23 transportation projects funded through the Department of  
24 Natural Resources Park and Conservation Parkways Fund  
25 that are eligible for funding under the FHWA 1999  
26 Guidance - Bicycle and Pedestrian Provisions of Federal  
27 Transportation Legislation.

28 (5) Address the pressing congestion problems in the  
29 Northwest Corridor of the Chicago metropolitan area,  
30 through planning, design, and implementation of the  
31 Northwest Corridor Transit Project by the CTA, PACE,  
32 METRA, or a combination of CTA, PACE, and METRA, which  
33 will be determined by the Northwest Corridor Transit  
34 Project through the Alternatives Analysis Project.

1 Section 10. The State Finance Act is amended by adding  
2 Sections 5.595, 5.600, and 6z-65 as follows:

3 (30 ILCS 105/5.595 new)

4 Sec. 5.595. The Build Illinois Transit Program Fund.

5 (30 ILCS 105/5.600 new)

6 Sec. 5.600. The Build Illinois Transit Operations  
7 Program Fund.

8 (30 ILCS 105/6z-65 new)

9 Sec. 6z-65. Build Illinois Transit Operations Program  
10 Fund.

11 (a) The Build Illinois Transit Operations Program Fund  
12 is created as a special fund in the State treasury to provide  
13 supplemental operating funds, in addition to any operating  
14 funds provided through the Regional Transportation Authority  
15 Act or the Downstate Public Transportation Act, to entities  
16 authorized to provide and promote public transportation  
17 within the State for new or expanded mass transportation  
18 service and facilities, including rapid transit, rail, bus,  
19 and other equipment used in connection with mass transit,  
20 created under the Build Illinois Transit Program.

21 (b) In each of the following fiscal years the  
22 Comptroller shall order transferred and the Treasurer shall  
23 transfer from the General Revenue Fund to the Build Illinois  
24 Transit Operations Fund the following amounts:

- 25 (1) In fiscal year 2004, \$59,000,000.
- 26 (2) In fiscal year 2005, \$120,000,000.
- 27 (3) In fiscal year 2006, \$170,000,000.
- 28 (4) In fiscal year 2007, \$250,000,000.
- 29 (5) In fiscal year 2008, \$301,000,000.

30 (c) The Department of Transportation must make the  
31 operating funds available to units of local government or

1 carriers for supplemental operating costs associated with new  
 2 or expanded mass transportation service and facilities  
 3 created under the Build Illinois Transit Program. The grants  
 4 must be made upon the terms and conditions as in the judgment  
 5 of the Secretary are necessary to ensure their proper and  
 6 effective use. Subject to appropriation, the Department must  
 7 make the following grants for the operation of new or  
 8 expanded mass transportation service and facilities to:

9       (1) The Chicago Transit Authority for operating up  
 10 to an additional 585 buses and 537 rail cars as follows:

- 11           (A) In fiscal year 2004, \$37,000,000.
- 12           (B) In fiscal year 2005, \$76,000,000.
- 13           (C) In fiscal year 2006, \$114,000,000.
- 14           (D) In fiscal year 2007, \$152,000,000.
- 15           (E) In fiscal year 2008, \$191,000,000.

16       (2) Pace for operating up to 1,160 buses and 1,040  
 17 paratransit service vehicles as follows:

- 18           (A) In fiscal year 2004, \$12,000,000.
- 19           (B) In fiscal year 2005, \$25,000,000.
- 20           (C) In fiscal year 2006, \$37,000,000.
- 21           (D) In fiscal year 2007, \$49,000,000.
- 22           (E) In fiscal year 2008, \$62,000,000.

23       (3) Transit systems outside the Chicago urbanized  
 24 area to operate 900 replacement buses and 800 new buses  
 25 in addition to administrative and maintenance facilities  
 26 as follows:

- 27           (A) In fiscal year 2004, \$10,000,000.
- 28           (B) In fiscal year 2005, \$19,000,000.
- 29           (C) In fiscal year 2006, \$29,000,000.
- 30           (D) In fiscal year 2007, \$39,000,000.
- 31           (E) In fiscal year 2008, \$48,000,000.

32       Section 15. The General Obligation Bond Act is amended  
 33 by changing Sections 2 and 4 as follows:

(30 ILCS 330/2) (from Ch. 127, par. 652)

Sec. 2. Authorization for Bonds. The State of Illinois is authorized to issue, sell and provide for the retirement of General Obligation Bonds of the State of Illinois for the categories and specific purposes expressed in Sections 2 through 8 of this Act, in the total amount of \$18,208,149,369 ~~\$17,658,149,369~~ ~~\$16,908,149,369~~ ~~\$16,015,007,500~~.

The bonds authorized in this Section 2 and in Section 16 of this Act are herein called "Bonds".

Of the total amount of Bonds authorized in this Act, up to \$2,200,000,000 in aggregate original principal amount may be issued and sold in accordance with the Baccalaureate Savings Act in the form of General Obligation College Savings Bonds.

Of the total amount of Bonds authorized in this Act, up to \$300,000,000 in aggregate original principal amount may be issued and sold in accordance with the Retirement Savings Act in the form of General Obligation Retirement Savings Bonds.

The issuance and sale of Bonds pursuant to the General Obligation Bond Act is an economical and efficient method of financing the capital and general operating needs of the State. This Act will permit the issuance of a multi-purpose General Obligation Bond with uniform terms and features. This will not only lower the cost of registration but also reduce the overall cost of issuing debt by improving the marketability of Illinois General Obligation Bonds.

(Source: P.A. 91-39, eff. 6-15-99; 91-53, eff. 6-30-99; 91-710, eff. 5-17-00; 92-13, eff. 6-22-01; 92-596, eff. 6-28-02; 92-598, eff. 6-28-02; revised 10-8-02.)

(30 ILCS 330/4) (from Ch. 127, par. 654)

Sec. 4. Transportation. The amount of \$10,863,399,000 ~~\$5,313,399,000~~ is authorized for use by the Department of Transportation for the specific purpose of promoting and

1 assuring rapid, efficient, and safe highway, air and mass  
2 transportation for the inhabitants of the State by providing  
3 monies, including the making of grants and loans, for the  
4 acquisition, construction, reconstruction, extension and  
5 improvement of the following transportation facilities and  
6 equipment, and for the acquisition of real property and  
7 interests in real property required or expected to be  
8 required in connection therewith as follows:

9 (a) \$3,432,129,000 for State highways, arterial  
10 highways, freeways, roads, bridges, structures separating  
11 highways and railroads and roads, and bridges on roads  
12 maintained by counties, municipalities, townships or road  
13 districts for the following specific purposes:

- 14 (1) \$3,330,000,000 for use statewide,  
15 (2) \$3,677,000 for use outside the Chicago  
16 urbanized area,  
17 (3) \$7,543,000 for use within the Chicago urbanized  
18 area,  
19 (4) \$13,060,600 for use within the City of Chicago,  
20 (5) \$58,987,500 for use within the counties of  
21 Cook, DuPage, Kane, Lake, McHenry and Will, and  
22 (6) \$18,860,900 for use outside the counties of  
23 Cook, DuPage, Kane, Lake, McHenry and Will.

24 (b) \$1,529,670,000 for rail facilities and for mass  
25 transit facilities, as defined in Section 2705-305 of the  
26 Department of Transportation Law (20 ILCS 2705/2705-305),  
27 including rapid transit, rail, bus and other equipment used  
28 in connection therewith by the State or any unit of local  
29 government, special transportation district, municipal  
30 corporation or other corporation or public authority  
31 authorized to provide and promote public transportation  
32 within the State or two or more of the foregoing jointly, for  
33 the following specific purposes:

- 34 (1) \$1,433,870,000 statewide,



1           (2) \$83,350,000 for use within the counties of  
2 Cook, DuPage, Kane, Lake, McHenry and Will,

3           (3) \$12,450,000 for use outside the counties of  
4 Cook, DuPage, Kane, Lake, McHenry and Will.

5           (b-5) \$5,550,000,000 for public and mass transit  
6 facilities, as defined in Section 2705-305 of the Department  
7 of Transportation Law in the Civil Administrative Code of  
8 Illinois, including rapid transit, rail, bus, and other  
9 equipment used in connection therewith by the State, any unit  
10 of local government, special transportation district,  
11 municipal corporation, or other public authority authorized  
12 to provide and promote public transportation within the  
13 State, or 2 or more of the foregoing jointly, as the State  
14 share of the cost, for the following specific purposes:

15           (1) \$1,400,000,000 for use within the City of  
16 Chicago and Cook County by the Chicago Transit Authority  
17 to complete the capital construction needs listed as  
18 unfunded in the approved 2000-2004 capital budget plan  
19 for the Chicago Transit Authority.

20           (2) \$600,000,000 for use within the City of Chicago  
21 and Cook County by the Chicago Transit Authority to  
22 purchase up to 585 new buses and 537 new rail cars,  
23 including hiring sufficient maintenance personnel to keep  
24 the equipment safe and operating.

25           (3) \$950,000,000 for use with the city of Chicago  
26 and Cook County by the Chicago Transit Authority to  
27 initiate planning, design, and implementation of (i) the  
28 3 major expansion projects identified in the Chicago Area  
29 Transportation Study 2020 Regional Plan and (ii) a 3-year  
30 plan beginning in 2004 to increase transit ridership by  
31 reducing fares to a level comparable to the level of  
32 inflation since 1980.

33           (4) \$500,000,000 for use within Cook County to  
34 address the pressing congestion problems in the Northwest

1 Corridor of the Chicago metropolitan area, through  
2 planning, design, and implementation of the Northwest  
3 Corridor Transit Project by the CTA, PACE, METRA, or a  
4 combination of CTA, PACE, and METRA which will be  
5 determined by the Northwest Corridor Transit Project  
6 through the Alternatives Analysis Project.

7 (5) \$400,000,000 for use within the counties of  
8 Cook, DuPage, Kane, Lake, McHenry, and Will by Metra to  
9 accelerate the repair and upgrade of Metra tracks,  
10 signals, bridges, and stations and the purchase of new  
11 rolling stock to expand service levels; and initiate  
12 planning to construct interchanges between CTA and Metra  
13 where their tracks are in close proximity.

14 (6) \$800,000,000 for use within the counties of  
15 Cook, DuPage, Kane, Lake, McHenry, and Will by Pace to  
16 expand the level of service offered by Pace to meet the  
17 fiscal year 2010 goal stated in the Pace capital plan for  
18 2000-2010 by purchasing 2,200 new fixed route and  
19 paratransit buses for Pace; construct garages and  
20 maintenance facilities to maintain them; and complete  
21 construction of the proposed 96 Park-N-Ride facilities.

22 (7) \$400,000,000 for use outside the Chicago  
23 urbanized area to replace 900 existing buses, paratransit  
24 vehicles, and maintenance vehicles and purchase 800 new  
25 buses, paratransit vehicles, and maintenance vehicles  
26 along with necessary computer and administrative centers  
27 and garages to keep the system operating safely.

28 (8) \$500,000,000 for use outside the Chicago  
29 urbanized area and \$250,000,000 for use within the  
30 Chicago urbanized area to provide full funding for  
31 non-motorized transportation projects funded through the  
32 Department of Natural Resources Park and Conservation  
33 Parkways Fund that are eligible for funding under the  
34 FHWA 1999 Guidance - Bicycle and Pedestrian Provisions of

1           Federal Transportation Legislation.

2           (c) \$351,600,000 for airport or aviation facilities and  
3 any equipment used in connection therewith, including  
4 engineering and land acquisition costs, by the State or any  
5 unit of local government, special transportation district,  
6 municipal corporation or other corporation or public  
7 authority authorized to provide public transportation within  
8 the State, or two or more of the foregoing acting jointly,  
9 and for the making of deposits into the Airport Land Loan  
10 Revolving Fund for loans to public airport owners pursuant to  
11 the Illinois Aeronautics Act.

12           (Source: P.A. 91-39, eff. 6-15-99; 91-239, eff. 1-1-00;  
13 91-712, eff. 7-1-00; 92-13, eff. 6-22-01.)

14           Section 99. Effective date. This Act takes effect July  
15 1, 2003.