

## S 874

### BUILD GREEN Infrastructure and Jobs Act

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**Chamber:** Senate

**Policy Area:** Transportation and Public Works

**Introduced:** Mar 18, 2021

**Current Status:** Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs. Hearings held.

**Latest Action:** Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs. Hearings held. (Aug 4, 2022)

**Official Text:** <https://www.congress.gov/bill/117th-congress/senate-bill/874>

### Sponsor

**Name:** Sen. Warren, Elizabeth [D-MA]

**Party:** Democratic • **State:** MA • **Chamber:** Senate

### Cosponsors (7 total)

Cosponsor	Party / State	Role	Date Joined
Sen. Blumenthal, Richard [D-CT]	D · CT		Mar 18, 2021
Sen. Booker, Cory A. [D-NJ]	D · NJ		Mar 18, 2021
Sen. Markey, Edward J. [D-MA]	D · MA		Mar 18, 2021
Sen. Merkley, Jeff [D-OR]	D · OR		Mar 18, 2021
Sen. Padilla, Alex [D-CA]	D · CA		Mar 18, 2021
Sen. Sanders, Bernard [I-VT]	I · VT		Mar 18, 2021
Sen. Whitehouse, Sheldon [D-RI]	D · RI		Mar 24, 2021

### Committee Activity

Committee	Chamber	Activity	Date
Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs Committee	Senate	Hearings By (full committee)	Aug 4, 2022
Commerce, Science, and Transportation Committee	Senate	Referred To	Mar 18, 2021

### Subjects & Policy Tags

#### Policy Area:

Transportation and Public Works

### Related Bills

Bill	Relationship	Last Action
117 HR 2038	Identical bill	<b>Mar 19, 2021:</b> Referred to the Subcommittee on Highways and Transit.

## **Better Utilizing Investments to Leverage Development and Generating Renewable Energy to Electrify the Nation's Infrastructure and Jobs Act or the BUILD GREEN Infrastructure and Jobs Act**

This bill directs the Department of Transportation (DOT) to establish a green transportation infrastructure program to provide competitive grants to states, local governments, and other entities for capital investments in electrified surface transportation infrastructure projects.

DOT must select projects that maximize sustainability, including projects that (1) promote the electrification of all public transportation, (2) contribute to climate resilience and mitigation, (3) reduce air pollution and greenhouse gas emissions, and (4) achieve energy savings and reduce energy usage compared to other eligible projects.

Additionally, DOT must prioritize projects that (1) serve a frontline, vulnerable, or disadvantaged community; (2) are located in an area that has experienced high adverse health and environmental impacts on minority and low-income populations; (3) require federal funds in order to complete an overall financing package; or (4) add a new green space or new state or local park units and outdoor recreational areas.

Grants issued under the program may not be less than \$2 million, with the exception of grants for project planning, preparation, or design, which are not subject to a minimum amount.

The federal share of the cost of a project may not exceed 85% for planning, design, and construction purposes and 50% of the operation and maintenance costs of the project for its first 10 years.

### **Actions Timeline**

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- **Aug 4, 2022:** Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs. Hearings held.
- **Mar 18, 2021:** Introduced in Senate
- **Mar 18, 2021:** Read twice and referred to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.