



2019 Legislative Wrap-up

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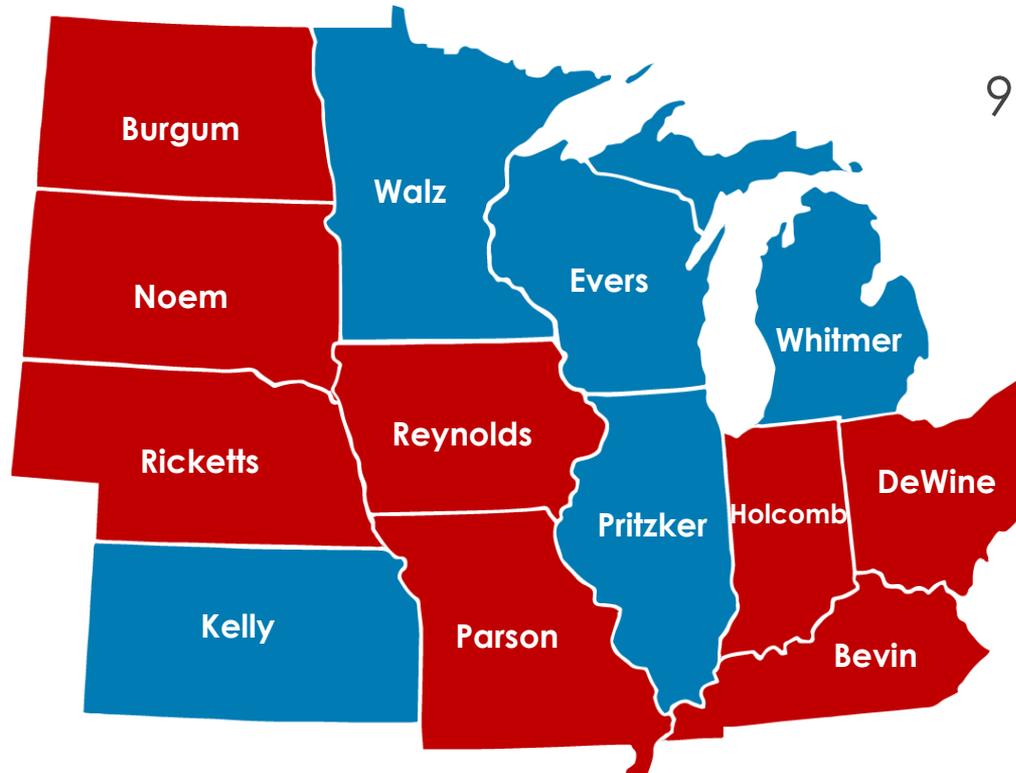
MEEA Policy Resources

- Staying up-to-date with industry news
 - MEEA Minute – sign up at mwalliance.org
 - Policy Insider
 - Midwest Building Efficiency Status Report
 - Committee Updates
 - MEEA Blog

Midwest Political Landscape

Political Landscape: 2018 Elections

Governor's Party

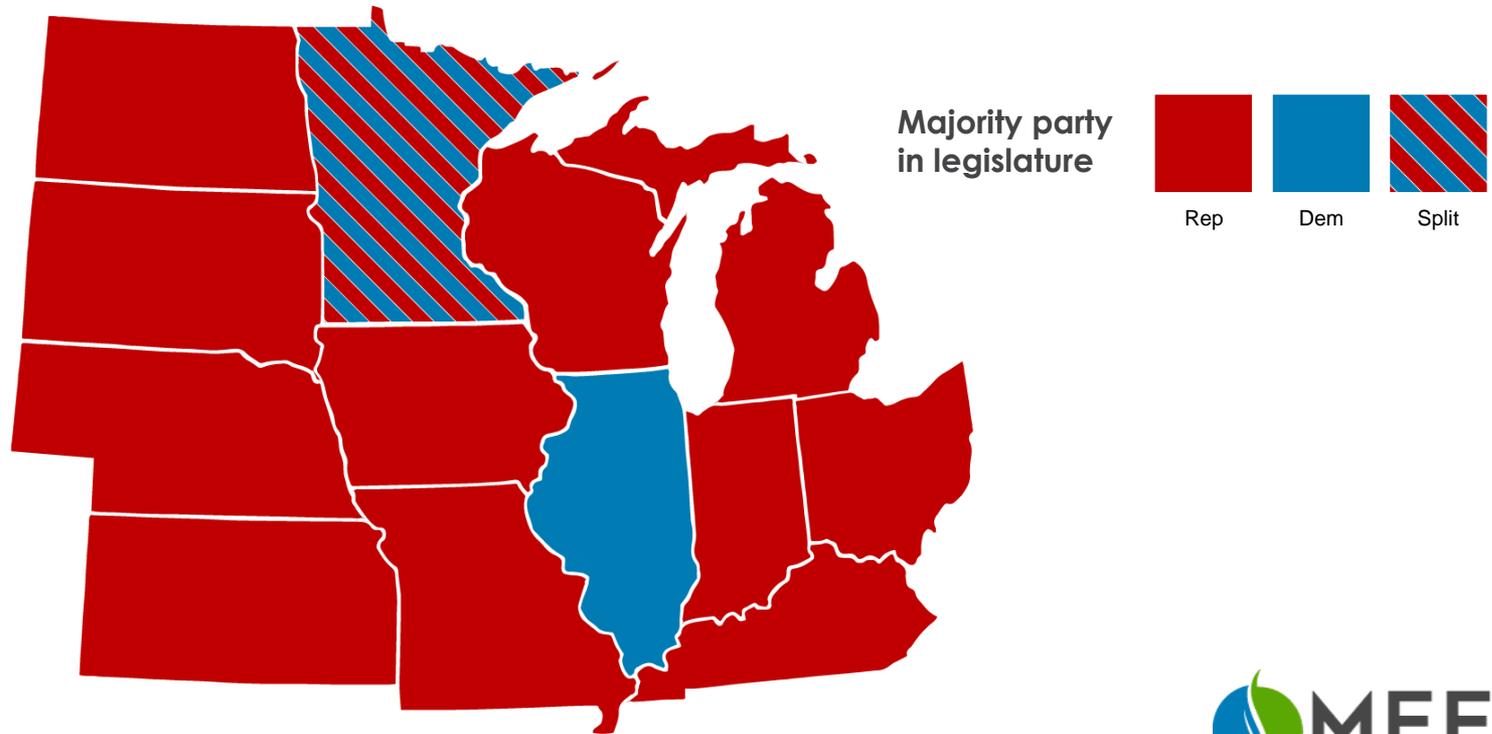


9 gubernatorial races

- 7 new governors
 - 3 same party: MN, OH, SD
 - 4 flipped party: IL, KS, MI, WI
- 2 incumbents re-elected: IA, NE

Political Landscape: 2018 Elections

Legislative Majority





2019 Legislative and Regulatory Activity

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Legislative & Regulatory Activity

Ohio

- The General Assembly passed and Governor DeWine signed into law the Senate substitute of HB 6:
 - Changes EERS: utilities collectively required to reach 17.5% cumulative energy savings goal (reduced from 22% and allows all utility savings to be counted collectively), which likely will be reached or almost reached by 2020 due to use of banked savings
 - Possible voluntary programs beyond 2020
 - Creates new surcharges for nuclear and coal plants
 - Cuts the RPS from a goal of 12.5% renewable generation by 2027, to 8.5% by 2026

Illinois (Signed into Law)

- HB 2652: supports EV and solar-ready building codes
- HB 1438: “Cannabis Regulation and Tax Act” legalizes adult recreational use of cannabis. Requires minimum lighting and HVAC efficiency technology standards for cultivation facilities. Also requires energy use and conservation plans.
- HB 62: \$45 billion capital bill, six years of project financing including \$70 million for renewable and EE projects at state facilities and \$70 million for EV charging infrastructure.

Illinois (Pending)

- HB 3624: “Clean Energy Jobs Act” (CEJA) comprehensive clean energy & environmental bill:
 - 100% carbon-free by 2030; 100% renewable by 2050
 - Expands gas utility energy efficiency requirements
 - Repealing the industrial exemption
 - Increasing spending on income-qualified program
- HB 2966: “Path to 100 Act” increase the RPS to 40% by 2030 (increase from 25% by 2025 under FEJA) and increase funding for utility-scale solar and wind energy.
- HB 2861: Exelon capacity market legislation
- HB 3152: ComEd formula extension bill.

Minnesota

- The House (HB 2208) and Senate (SF 2611) passed jobs and energy omnibus bills, but could not agree so the provisions were removed from the omnibus bill
- HF 2 passed agreed upon provisions and was signed into law May 30
 - Commercial PACE and Energy Storage
 - Numerous jobs related provisions
- HF 1405
 - Part 1 of Governor Walz's Clean Energy First
 - July 30 Legislative Energy Commission Hearing

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Iowa

- Spending constraints placed on EE in SF 2311 (2018)
 - SF 2311 contained “soft caps” on spending among other provisions
- SF 638 was signed into law
 - Places hard spending caps for energy efficiency plans - 1.5% (gas) and 2% (electric) of annual retail rate revenue. Turns “soft caps” to “hard caps”
- RMU-2016-0018: IUB Rulemaking Docket
 - Seeks to implement statutory changes while clarifying interpretation of SF 2311 and SF 638

Wisconsin

- Governor Evers issued 78 partial vetoes to the two-year budget passed by the state legislature.
- The revised budget directed \$10 million from the VW settlement fund towards electric vehicle charging infrastructure.

Indiana

- House Bill 1278 (Public Law 250 signed 5/5/19)
 - Establishes 21st Century Energy Policy Development Task Force
 - Requires IURC to conduct a study on transitions in generation resources how new/emerging technologies will contribute to reliability, resilience and cost

Nebraska

- 2018 IECC adopted
 - Strongest statewide energy code in the MW
- Dept. of Environment and Energy created – merger of State Energy Office and Dept. of Environmental Quality

Code Adoption Successes FY 2019

- Nebraska: 2009 – 2018 IECC
- St. Louis, MO: 2009 – 2018 IECC*
- Chicago, IL: 2015 – 2018 IECC*
- Illinois: 2015 – 2018 IECC*
- Ohio: 2009 – 2018 IECC* (Residential)

* Includes Amendments

What's Next?

Fall Next Steps

Illinois

- Fall veto session Oct. 28-30 and Nov. 12-14

Ohio

- Sept. 1 EE plan filings for 2020 are due to PUCO
- Possible referendum to repeal H.B. 6

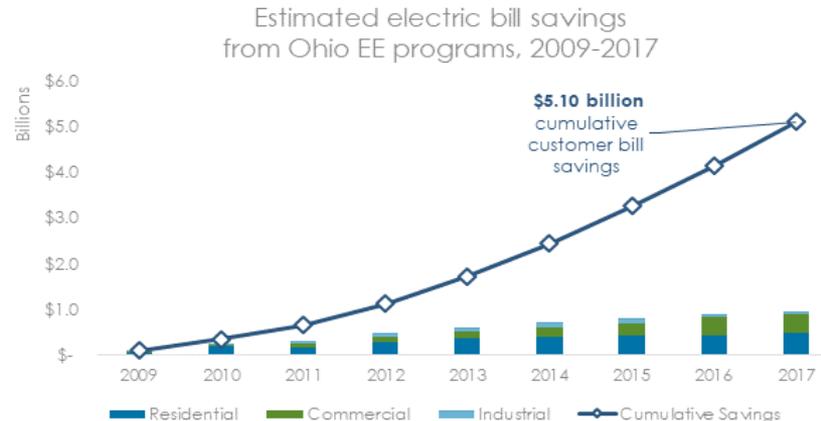
Minnesota

- Potential additional hearings on Clean Energy First Act

Advocacy Resources

Energy and Bill Savings

- MEEA analysis on state energy and bill savings to-date from EE programs:
 - IA: \$1.6 billion in bill savings; 19 million MWh saved (enough electricity to power every home in Iowa for over a year)
 - IL: \$4.3 billion in bill savings; 41 million MWh saved (8 months)
 - MI: \$4.2 billion in bill savings; 34.5 million MWh saved (8 months)
 - OH: \$5.1 billion in bill savings; 49 million MWh saved (10.5 months)



Advocacy Resources

Other Resources

- State Fact Sheets
- Issue Fact Sheets
- MEEA Spotlight
- MEEA testimony
- MEEA member advocacy

Energy Efficiency Remains the Solution

- Jobs
 - More than 2/3 of all clean energy jobs are EE.
 - 2.3 million EE jobs in the US in 2018
 - 67% of clean energy jobs in construction and manufacturing
 - 7.4% growth of EE jobs expected in 2019 (highest in the energy sector)
- 100% Clean Energy Goals
 - EE should still be an essential element
 - Need to educate new Governors and Commissioners

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Thank you!

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