Status of State Safety Oversight Program Certification

By Federal public transportation safety law, 30 states with rail transit systems in operation, in the engineering phase or under construction are required to establish an FTA-certified State Safety Oversight (SSO) Program by April 15, 2019. If a state does not obtain certification by this deadline, Federal law does not allow FTA to award any Federal public transportation funds to any public transportation agencies throughout that state until certification is achieved. This tracking table depicts each state's progress toward FTA certification.

State	Application Status	Certification Status	FTA Formula Funding Est. (FY2019)
Arkansas	Certified	Certified	$33,585,909
Arizona	Certified	Certified	$117,005,463
California	Certified	Certified	$1,399,901,100
Colorado	Certified	Certified	$122,239,166
District of Columbia (FEMS)	Certified	Certified	$210,465,763
Florida	Certified	Certified	$393,569,020
Georgia	Certified	Certified	$194,509,592
Hawaii	Certified	Certified	$45,307,477
Illinois	Certified	Certified	$609,101,428
Louisiana	Certified	Certified	$65,058,832
Maryland (MDOT)	Certified	Certified	$252,138,184
Massachusetts	Certified	Certified	$377,572,975
Michigan	Certified	Certified	$142,597,929
Minnesota	Certified	Certified	$113,535,596
Missouri	Certified	Certified	$104,260,944
New Jersey	Certified	Certified	$630,788,783
New York	Certified	Certified	$1,523,909,156
North Carolina	Certified	Certified	$124,046,200
Ohio	Certified	Certified	$190,956,911
Oklahoma	Certified	Certified	$52,170,951
Oregon	Certified	Certified	$104,230,003
Pennsylvania	Certified	Certified	$438,670,071
Puerto Rico	Certified	Certified	$74,078,304
Tennessee	Certified	Certified	$92,833,519
Texas	Certified	Certified	$444,293,604
Utah	Certified	Certified	$76,951,916
Virginia (DRPT)	Certified	Certified	$175,630,030
Washington	Certified	Certified	$261,144,863
West Virginia	Certified	Certified	$27,796,756
Wisconsin	Certified	Certified	$88,028,303
DC, MD, VA (WMSC)	Under Review	3	$638,233,977

Application Status

This column shows the status of a state's SSO Program certification application.
Not Submitted: FTA has not received a state's application.
Submitted: FTA has received a state's application and it is reviewing for completeness.
Under Review: FTA has determined submitted application is complete and is now under review.

Certification Status

This column shows the SSO certification process in four stages.
Stage 1 – State is working on its submissions to FTA. Where applicable, all required legislation has not yet been enacted.
Stage 2 – State has submitted some requirements to FTA.
Stage 3 – State has submitted all required documents to FTA and is engaged in a dialogue with FTA to address comments and questions. Where applicable, all required legislation has been enacted.
Stage 4 (Certified) – State has successfully met all SSO Program requirements, including the resources to carry out the requirements, and has received FTA certification.

FTA Formula Funding

Federal transit program (49 U.S.C. 53) formula amounts are based on Fixing America's Surface Transportation (FAST) Act estimated apportionments for FY 2019. These funds illustrate the minimum annual funding amounts that FTA is prohibited from awarding if a state's SSO Program has not been certified by April 15, 2019.

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