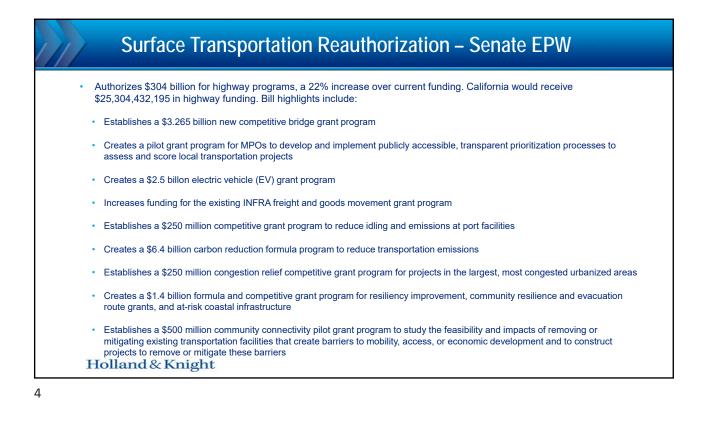


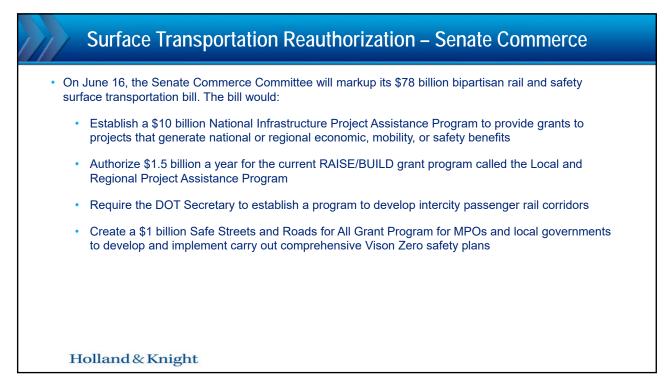
111	Infrastructure Package	
•	On March 31, President Joe Biden introduced the American Jobs Plan of 2021. The framework reques \$2 trillion over eight years to modernize the nation's infrastructure. The infrastructure plan includes function for roads, bridges, and ports, and also addresses resiliency, the climate crisis, broadband access, waterways, and housing.	
•	The second half of Biden's infrastructure proposal, known as the American Families Plan, includes a \$ trillion for major investments in education, child care, and paid family leave.	1.8
•	President Biden and top GOP negotiator Sen. Shelley Moore Capito (R- W.V.) were not able to reach a agreement during negotiations, so the White House has shifted course to talks with a bipartisan group 10 senators led by Sens. Kyrsten Sinema (D-Ariz.) and Rob Portman (R-Ohio).	
•	The group has proposed a framework that includes \$974 billion on infrastructure over five years, of wh \$579 billion would be above baseline federal spending.	ich
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Surface Transportation Reauthorization

- The current surface transportation authorization bill, the FAST Act, expires on September 30, 2021. Both House and Senate leadership want to pass a bill this year. However, an extension is likely until Congress identifies a pay-for.
- Transportation & Infrastructure (T&I) Committee oversees transportation authorization in House. Three committees oversee authorization in the Senate:
 - · Senate Environment and Public Works (EPW) Committee Highways
 - · Senate Commerce, Science and Transportation Safety/Goods Movement/Rail
 - Senate Banking, Housing and Urban Affairs Transit
- On May 26, the Senate EPW Committee passed the five year Surface Transportation Reauthorization Act
 of 2021 unanimously with bipartisan support. Senate Commerce will mark-up its bill on June 16th, and
 Senate Banking is still drafting the transit title.
- On June 10, the House T&I Committee passed the INVEST Act by a vote of 38-26. Only two Republicans voted for the bill. A House floor vote on the bill is slated for the week of June 28th.

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Surface Transportation Reauthorization – House INVEST Act cont.

• INVEST Act Highlights:

- \$4 billion for EV charging infrastructure
- \$8.3 billion for new carbon pollution programs •
- Requires that MPOs planning considerations include a holistic view of housing and land use policies •
- \$6.25 billion for new pre disaster mitigation and resiliency formula programs •
- Targets investments to areas of persistent poverty, rural communities, and other disadvantaged areas
- Creates a reduced-fare pilot program to improve access for low-income transit riders •
- Streamlines the Capital Investment Grant program and includes incentives for projects that preserve • or encourage higher density affordable housing

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Surface Transportation Reauthorization – House INVEST Act cont.
 Provides funding for corridor planning and development of high-speed rail projects, reducing traffic congestion and shortening travel times
 Creates a \$12 billion Projects of National and Regional Significance (PNRS) program for large highway, transit, and passenger and freight rail projects
Establishes a \$500 million Gridlock Reduction Grant program for large metropolitan areas
 Provides \$3 billion for a reconnecting neighborhoods discretionary grant program to remediate economically-disadvantaged and underserved communities
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