

# House Democrats introduce the Leading Infrastructure for Tomorrow's America (LIFT) Act

## Key aspects of the LIFT America Act



**\$17 billion for energy infrastructure** including \$4 billion for electric grid improvements, \$9 billion for resilient and renewable energy sources, and \$4 billion for energy efficiency efforts and smart communities



**\$2.7 billion for Brownfields redevelopment** to clean and revitalize former industrial sites



**\$3 billion for healthcare infrastructure** to fund medical facility improvements, fight Zika and other infectious diseases, and expand community-based health care facilities



**\$40 billion for the deployment of secure and resilient broadband** to expand access for communities nationwide while promoting security by design



**\$22.5 billion for drinking water infrastructure** including increased investment in drinking water State Revolving Funds and additional funding to replace lead service lines, address lead in school drinking water and prepare for the impacts of climate change

### Will it pass?

- The bill was introduced to the House Energy and Commerce Committee on May 17 and has not yet been put to a committee vote
- Republicans have been very vocal about not spending government money on infrastructure if it adds to the national debt
- House Democrats are most likely using this as a way to control the narrative on infrastructure ahead of the release of Trump's widely touted trillion-dollar infrastructure bill

Sources: John Siciliano, "House Democrats propose \$85 billion environmental infrastructure bill," Washington Examiner, May 17, 2017; Rep. Frank Pallone Jr, "Pallone unveils comprehensive infrastructure package," May 17, 2017.