

FTA

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State Safety Oversight Program Certification

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Agenda

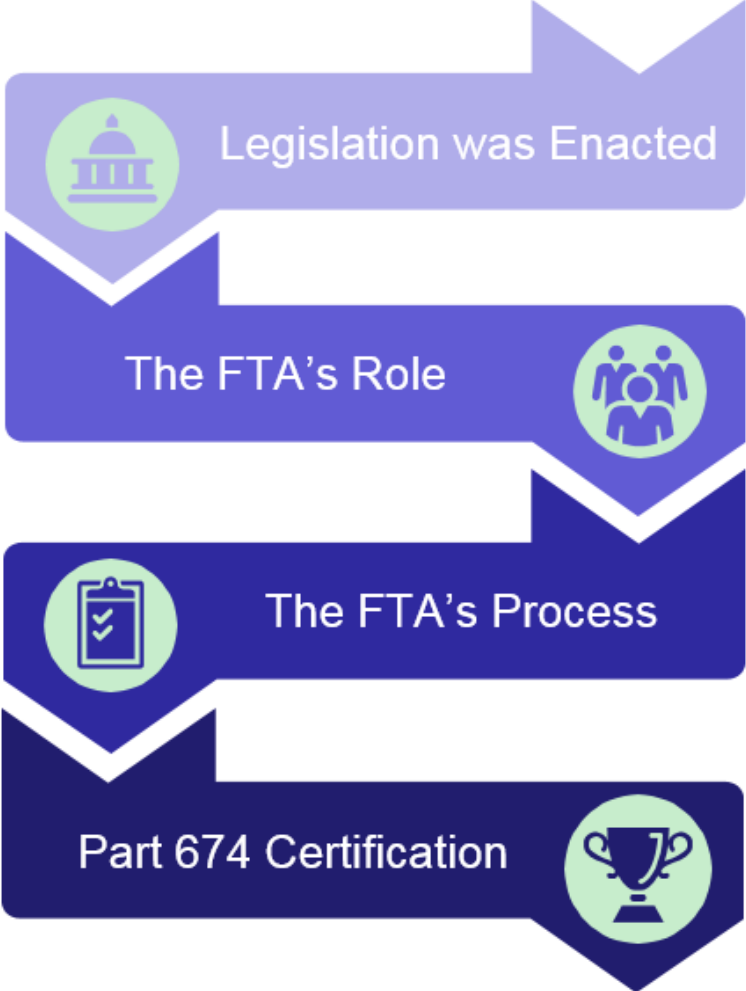
- FTA's Safety Oversight Goal
- State Safety Oversight (SSO) Certification Process
- SSO Certification
- Outreach
- Questions

FTA's Safety Oversight Goal

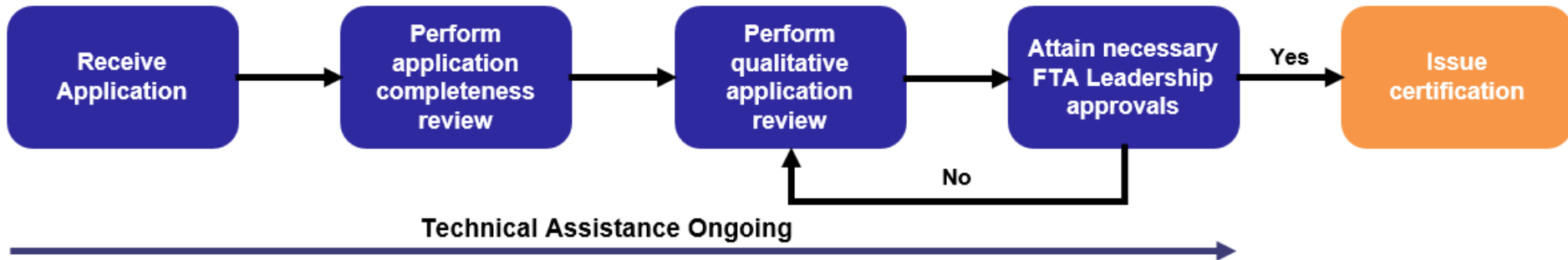
Continue to improve and strengthen SSO programs for oversight of rail transit operations.

SSO Certification Process

SSO Program Background

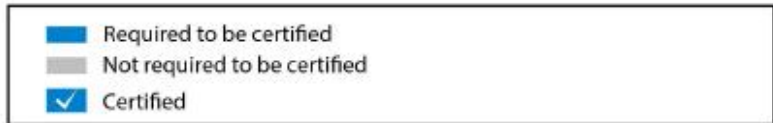
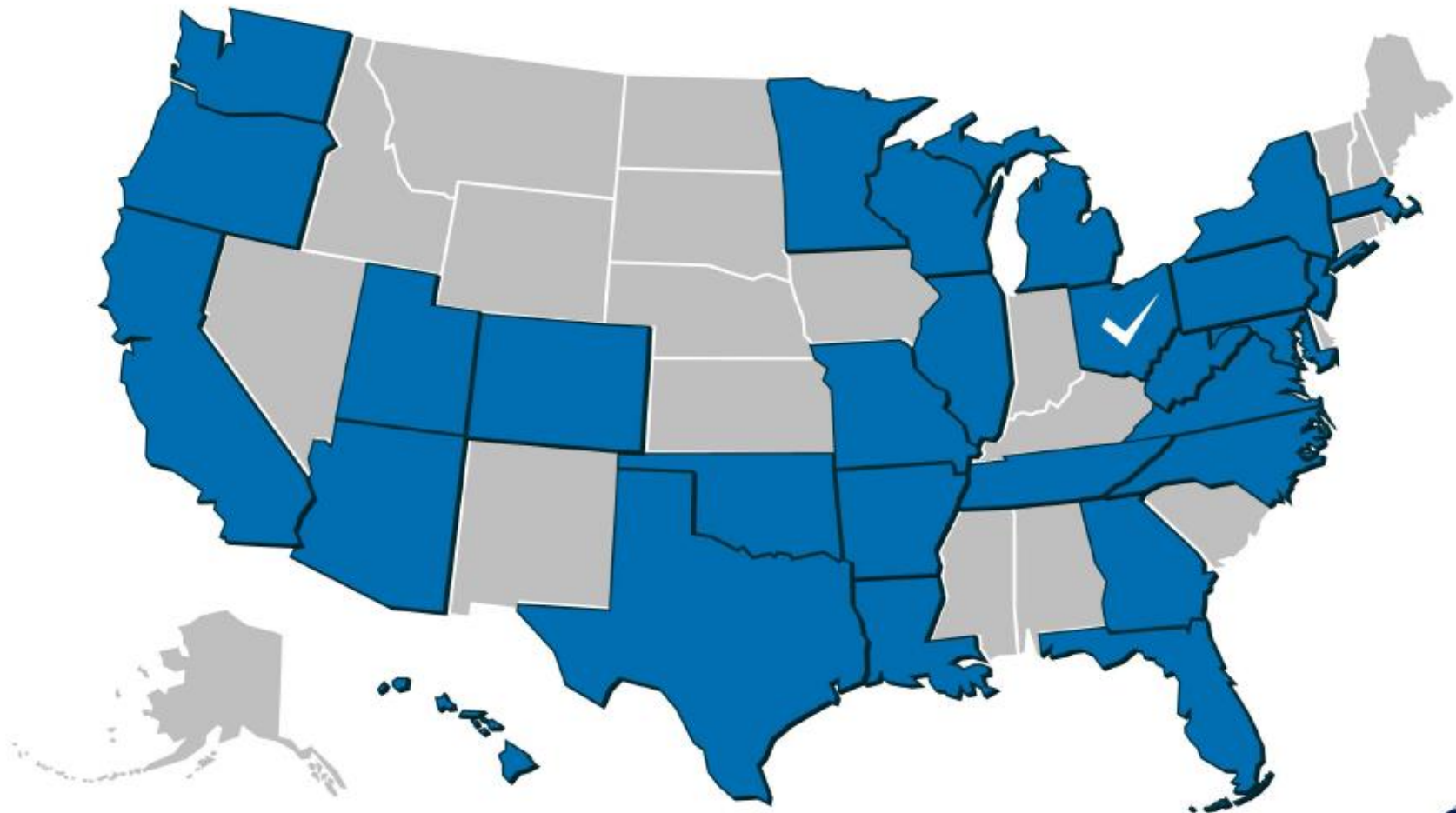


Application Review Process



SSO Certification

States with Rail Transit Required to Meet State Safety Oversight Program Certification Deadline (April 15, 2019)



Deadlines

Deadlines	Dates
Compliance Deadline	April 15, 2019
Submission Deadline	September 30, 2018
Preferred Submission Date	April 15, 2018

Financial Penalty

What if a state misses the April 15, 2019 deadline?

- FTA can't obligate financial assistance. Funds must be withheld until SSOP is certified by FTA.
- State-wide impact
 - Applies to all Chapter 53 grant recipients

Certification Status Table

- Status table tracks each State's certification status
 - Updated as new States are certified
 - <https://www.transit.dot.gov/regulations-and-guidance/safety/state-safety-oversight-program-certification-status>
- Inquiries?
 - Contact State's SSO manager
 - <https://www.transit.dot.gov/regulations-and-guidance/safety/state-safety-oversight-contacts>

States Requiring State Legislative or Executive Action

States	Estimated FTA Formula Funding (FY2019)
Illinois	\$609,101,428
Michigan	\$142,597,929
New York	\$1,523,909,156
Oklahoma	\$52,170,951
Puerto Rico	\$74,078,304
Tennessee	\$92,833,519

What FTA is doing for SSOAs

- \$90 million in grant funds
- Technical assistance workshops
- Monthly one-on-one calls
- Quarterly conference calls
- Certification toolkit
- Site visits

What the Rail Transit Industry can do?

- Be aware of the statutory deadline
 - April 15, 2019
- Support your State in its certification efforts

Outreach

- Transit Safety and Oversight Spotlight:
 - FTA’s monthly safety newsletter
 - Features certification status updates
 - Access online: <https://www.transit.dot.gov/regulations-and-guidance/safety/tso-spotlight-newsletter>
 - Subscribe:
<https://public.govdelivery.com/accounts/USDOTFTA/subscribe/new>

Questions?

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