

Subject Sustainable Building 2030 certification and predesign requirement changes

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Overview

This bill creates a capital project grant agreement requirement that a project must receive an approval of compliance with Sustainable Building 2030 (SB2030) guidelines before project funds can be released beyond final design. An appropriation is also included to fund outreach and education efforts about planning for and compliance with SB2030 design guidelines.

This bill also amends requirements related to capital projects exempt from and subject to predesign.

Summary

Section	Description
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1	Grant agreements; Sustainable Building 2030 certification.
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Requires a capital project grant agreement to specify that no funds for capital project phases beyond final design may be disbursed by the state until the grantee receives an approval from the Center for Sustainable Building Research at the University of Minnesota stating that the project design complies with SB2030 guidelines.

2	Construction and major remodeling.
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Removes park and ride facilities, water and wastewater facilities, and ice centers from the projects exempt from predesign.

Requires a local government capital project with a construction cost of less than \$1,500,000 and any other capital project with a construction cost less than \$750,000 to hire a qualified cost-estimating professional as part of the project planning process.

Requires the commissioner of administration to adjust the construction cost thresholds that qualify certain projects for exemption from predesign every five years, starting in 2025, for inflation.

Section	Description
3	<p data-bbox="316 262 1429 294">Appropriation; Center for Sustainable Building Research.</p> <p data-bbox="316 304 1429 459">Appropriates an unstated amount in fiscal year 2023 from the general fund to fund outreach and education efforts by the Center for Sustainable Building Research to inform grantees whose capital projects are subject to predesign about planning for and compliance with SB2030 design guidelines.</p>



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