



# FISCAL NOTE WORKSHEET

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- [Fiscal Note Uniform Standards and Procedures](https://www.lbo.mn.gov/fn/documentation/LBOUSP.pdf)
- [Fiscal Note User Guide](https://www.lbo.mn.gov/fn/documentation/LBOFNUserGuide.pdf)
- [Fund Directory](https://lbo.mn.gov/fundlist.html)

(Links to the references listed above are also available on the FNTS menu under “Help.”)

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## Section 1-Fiscal Note Header

<b>Bill #:</b> SF 2148	<b>Version:</b> Intro	<b>Title:</b> ALLOCATION; ACTIVE TRANSPORTATION; WASHINGTON AVENUE PEDESTRIAN BRIDGE	<b>Date due to Legislature:</b> 3/12/2025
<b>Agency Contact (Name and Phone#):</b> Keya Steel			

## Section 2-Fiscal Impact

X  No Impact (If selected, explain in the Assumptions section of the narrative.)

(Mark your answer for each question in the section below.)

Fiscal Impact	Yes	No
State Expenditures – Does this bill have an impact on your agency’s spending?		X
Fee/Dept. Earnings – Does this bill impact an agency fee or dept. earning?		X
Tax Revenue – Does this bill impact state tax revenues?		X
Information Technology – Does this bill impact your agency’s information technology systems?		X
Local – Does this bill have a fiscal impact on a local government body? (Note: if “Yes”, complete the Local Government Costs section of the narrative.)		X

## Section 3-Expenditures, Absorbed Costs, Transfers Out

Dollars (in thousands)	2025	2026	2027	2028	2029
<b>3.1 Expenditures</b>					
Fund	0				
<b>3.2 Costs Agency Can Absorb</b>					
Fund					
<b>3.3 Transfers Out</b>					
8050 Metropolitan Council	15,000				
Fund					

**Sum of Expenditures, Absorbed Costs, Transfers Out (This will be calculated automatically in FNTS)**

**Section 4-Revenues, Transfers In**

<i>Dollars (in thousands)</i>	2025	2026	2027	2028	2029
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**4.1 Revenues**

Fund					
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**4.2 Transfers In**

8100 University of Minnesota	15,000				
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**Sum of Revenues, Transfers In (This will be automatically calculated in FNTS)**

<i>Dollars (in thousands)</i>	2025	2026	2027	2028	2029
Fund					

**Section 5 State Cost (Savings) (Subtract Sum of Revenues and Transfers In from Sum of Expenditures, Absorbed Costs and Transfers Out --This will be automatically calculated in FNTS)**

<i>Dollars (in thousands)</i>	2025	2026	2027	2028	2029
Fund	0				

**Section 6 Full-Time Equivalent Positions (FTE)**

<i>Two decimal places allowed</i>	2025	2026	2027	2028	2029
<b>Full-Time Equivalents</b>					
Fund					
<b>Total FTE</b>					

## Section 7 – Narrative

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### Bill Description

#### Section 1. **ALLOCATION; ACTIVE TRANSPORTATION; WASHINGTON AVENUE PEDESTRIAN BRIDGE.**

Of the revenue collected under Minnesota Statutes, section 297A.9915, and allocated to the Metropolitan Council for active transportation purposes under Minnesota Statutes, section 473.4465, subdivision 2, paragraph (a), clause (1), the Metropolitan Council must provide a grant of \$15,000,000 in fiscal year 2026 to the Board of Regents of the University of Minnesota to be spent in accordance with Minnesota Statutes, section 135A.046. This grant is to design and construct the replacement of the pedestrian enclosure and suicide deterrent barriers on the Washington Avenue Pedestrian Bridge on the Twin Cities campus. The board must consult with persons affected by suicide at this bridge, suicide prevention organizations, and experts in the field of suicide prevention in designing the project. This section is notwithstanding the provisions of Minnesota Statutes, section 473.4465, subdivision 3.

### Assumptions

There is no direct fiscal impact to the State budget. The bill proposes a one-time grant from funds collected and allocated to the Metropolitan Council for active transportation purposes to the Board of Regents of the University of Minnesota for a capital improvement project on the Washington Avenue Bridge. No recurring funds are requested.

The Washington Avenue Bridge is a double-deck structure, with the upper deck reserved for pedestrians and the lower deck reserved for vehicles. The bridge is operated by Hennepin County. The University assumes that this project will not modify existing agreements for the involved assets with respect to maintenance responsibilities. The University will work with Hennepin County to obtain the necessary permits, as well as other agencies as required to perform the work.

The proposed improvements and costing are based on predesign level documentation. The project team has been in close contact for design consultation with both the Chief Executive Officer for Suicide Awareness Voices of Education (SAVE) and the Managing Director at the National Council for Suicide Prevention.

The proposed grant of \$15,000,000 is not sufficient to fund the full scope outlined in the bill. Supplemental funds to complete the full scope of work have not been identified at this time, but could include other State resources, including Higher Education Asset Preservation and Replacement (HEAPR).

### Expenditure and/or Revenue Formula

The University has estimated the cost to design and construct the replacement of the pedestrian enclosure and suicide deterrent barriers on the Washington Avenue Pedestrian Bridge on the Twin Cities campus as follows;

**1.** Suicide Deterrent Barriers: \$8,000,000

This estimate is for design and construction of suicide deterrent barriers to include a new railing system, improved integrated lighting, surveillance, signage, and related site and utility improvements.

**2.** Pedestrian Enclosure: \$24,250,000

This estimate is for design and construction of a replacement pedestrian enclosure to include exterior wall panels and doors, concrete roof and waterproofing, structural repairs to the primary steel structure, control and expansion joints repairs, mechanical and electrical modifications, and related site and utility improvements.

The total cost for the comprehensive improvements outlined in this bill is \$32,250,000

### Long-Term Fiscal Considerations

The \$15,000,000 is a one-time grant to be provided in fiscal year 2026 per bill language.

### Local Fiscal Impact (Must be completed when Local Fiscal Impact button is "Yes")

Not applicable

### References/Sources

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