

Subject Omnibus bonding bill

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Overview

Article 1 of H.F. 669, as amended by A23-0021, contains a number of appropriations funded with state general obligation bond proceeds. See the spreadsheet by Andrew Lee for the list of projects.

Amounts of state general obligation bond proceeds appropriations listed in the January 2023 cancellation report from Minnesota Management & Budget are also cancelled in Article 1, with the exception of a 2018 appropriation for regional health crisis facility grants which is extended in Article 2.

This summary describes the language of Article 2, which includes amendments to prior appropriations and a variety of policy items that accompany appropriations in Article 1.

All sections are effective the day following final enactment.

Article 2: Miscellaneous

Contains amendments to prior appropriations and a variety of policy items that accompany the Article 1 appropriations.

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1 Creation of account.

Amends the greater Minnesota child care facility capital grant program to keep the accounting for the program similar to other general fund appropriations subject to cancellation under Minnesota Statutes, section 16A.642.

2 [116J.4315] Greater Minnesota housing infrastructure grant program.

Creates a new grant program to be administered by the Department of Employment and Economic Development to provide funding for eligible workforce housing development projects. A nonstate contribution is required for a project to qualify for funding. Grants are limited to up to \$20,000 per lot for single-family, duplex, triplex,

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- or four-plex housing, and up to \$50,000 per lot for multifamily housing with more than four units per building. A county or city may not receive more than \$500,000 in total grants over a two-year period.
- 3 **Qualification; accessibility grants.**
Increases the maximum amount of a library construction grant to \$450,000.
- 4 **Definitions.**
Adds a definition of “bond-eligible costs” to the active transportation program.
- 5 **Active transportation account.**
Adds language establishing active transportation accounts in the bond proceeds fund and general fund.
- 6 **[446A.077] Lead service line replacement grant program.**
Establishes a new lead service line replacement program to be administered by the Public Facilities Authority to remove and replace lead drinking water service lines and to perform construction associated with such removal. Funding for the program from state general obligation bond proceeds must only be used for publicly owned property. If other types of money fund the program, at least 70 percent of such funds must be used to address lead drinking water service line issues on private property. A report is due by the authority to the legislature on March 30, 2024, on the grant program.
- 7 **Chester Woods State Trail.**
Extends a 2018 bond sale authorization and appropriation for the Chester Woods State Trail project in the city of Rochester through December 31, 2026.
- 8 **Glendalough State Park.**
Extends a 2018 bond sale authorization and appropriation for the Glendalough State Park visitors center project through December 31, 2023.
- 9 **Mill Towns State Trail.**
Extends a 2018 bond sale authorization and appropriation for the Mill Towns State Trail project between the cities of Faribault and Waterford through December 31, 2026.
- 10 **St. Louis and Lake Counties Regional Railroad Authority – Mesabi Trail.**
Extends a 2018 bond sale authorization and appropriation for the Mesabi Trail project through December 31, 2026.

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11 White Bear Lake trail and route.

Extends a 2018 bond sale authorization and appropriation, amended in 2019, through December 31, 2024. Also adds language authorizing up to \$70,000 of any amount remaining after the Mahtomedi portion of the project is substantially completed to be used for a grant to the city of Birchwood Village for a Lake Links Trail segment from Birchwood Village to connect to other Lake Links Trail segments and complete a loop around White Bear Lake.

12 Regional behavioral health crisis facility grants.

Extends a 2018 bond sale authorization and appropriation for behavioral health crisis program facilities grants through December 31, 2024.

13 Minneapolis – American Indian Center.

Extends a 2018 bond sale authorization and appropriation for the Minneapolis American Indian Center project through December 31, 2024.

14 Heartland State Trail; Detroit Lakes to Frazee segment.

Adds “construction” to the phases of the Heartland State Trail project funded in the 2020 bonding bill.

15 McMahan Lake Improvement District; McMahan Lake flood mitigation.

Changes the grantee to McMahan Lake Improvement District for the purposes of the McMahan Lake project funded in the 2020 bonding bill. Also adds a reference to the statute governing state bond-financed property.

16 Edina; South Metro Public Safety Training Facility.

Extends a 2020 bond sale authorization and appropriation for the South Metro Public Safety Training Facility through December 31, 2027.

17 Ramsey County; I-35E and County Road J interchange.

Adds “final design” to the phases of the I-35E and County Road J Interchange project funded in the 2020 bonding bill.

18 Rochester International Airport runway and associated improvements.

Extends a 2020 bond sale authorization and appropriation for the Rochester International Airport project through January 1, 2028.

19 Dakota County; Veterans Memorial Greenway.

Adds land and right-of-way acquisition, design, and engineering to the phases of the Veterans Memorial Greenway project funded in the 2020 bonding bill. Also adds pedestrian safety-related improvements as an aspect of the project to be funded.

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- 20 **Prairie Lake Youth JPB; school and recreation center.**
Extends a 2020 bond sale authorization and appropriation for the Prairie Lakes Youth program building project through December 31, 2027.
- 21 **Western Lake Superior Sanitary District; engine generators.**
Extends a 2020 appropriation for the Western Lake Superior Sanitary District project until December 31, 2026.
- 22 **Wright County; dental care facility.**
Amends the description of the location of the Wright County dental care facility project funded in the 2020 bonding bill.
- 23 **Vernon Center; water infrastructure improvements.**
Removes “water and wastewater treatment facilities” from the Vernon Center water infrastructure improvements project funded in the 2020 bonding bill.
- 24 **Hmong American Farmers Association.**
Authorizes any money remaining after the completion of the purchase of 155 acres in Dakota County by the Hmong American Farmers Association (HAFA) to be used by HAFA to purchase additional farmland. Extends the bond sale authorization and appropriation for the project until December 31, 2026. Prohibits a municipality, county, or the state to take or condemn land purchased with the appropriation without the express consent of the property owner.
- 25 **Appropriation; meat processing businesses in redevelopment area.**
Amends a 2021 carve out from the targeted community capital project grant program to specify the city of South St. Paul as the grantee of state funds, which then would grant the money to a meat processing business in the city. Clarifies that the grant proceeds may be used for one or more of the uses listed in the appropriation. Removes a prior requirement for a grantee to work in consultation with a local government unit with jurisdiction over the area where the property is located on activities funded by the grant. Removes language excepting the grant from the requirements of the targeted community capital project grant program.
- 26 **Effective date.**
Applies an effective date of the day following final enactment to all provisions in Article 2.



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