

Chapter 71

2023 Regular Session

Subject Capital Investment Cash Bill

Bill H.F. 670/S.F. 677

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Overview

This act is a part of the capital investment package that includes both this act and Laws 2023, chapter 72. Appropriations in this act are funded entirely with state general fund money.

For information about the appropriations in article 1, please see the spreadsheet by Hannah Grunewald Noeldner, Senate Fiscal Analyst; Ken Savary, House Fiscal Analyst; and Andrew Lee, House Fiscal Analyst, time stamped 5/22/2023 2:10PM.

This act summary describes the policy provisions in article 2 of the act.

Summary

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1 Executive secretary, employees, contractors.

Amends a provision for the Capital Area Architectural and Planning Board to provide that the chair of the board appoints an executive secretary to serve the board. The chair must consult with the board before making an appointment. States that the executive secretary serves in the unclassified service.

2 Authorization to issue appropriation bonds.

Extends the bond authorization and appropriation of bond proceeds for response to release appropriation bonds until December 31, 2027.

3 Creation of account.

Creates an innovative business development public infrastructure account in the general fund to facilitate general fund appropriations and other sources of money for funding of the innovative business development public infrastructure grant program.

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4 Repayment of grant.

Clarifies procedures for the deposit of funds for money repaid for certain innovative business development infrastructure grant program projects.

5 Qualification; accessibility grants.

Increases the maximum amount of library construction grants to \$450,000. Current law provides for a maximum grant of \$300,000.

6 **Definition.**

Amends the definition of "skate" for the purpose of the public skate parks construction and renovation statute to include BMX biking.

7 Criteria for grants to local units of government for public skate parks.

Adds towns, park boards, and school districts as eligible grantees for skate parks grants under the public skate parks construction and renovation statute. Requires a skate park funded under the program to be free of charge to the public and be constructed of concrete. The maximum grant amount under the program is increased to \$500,000, or \$1,000,000 if the skate park will have a regional impact. A \$2,000,000 grant may be awarded for a skate park with over 40,000 square feet. Clarifies that the Minnesota Amateur Sports Commission must give priority to projects that are designed by experts in the field of concrete skate park design and are to be constructed by professionals with experience in the construction of concrete skate parks.

8 Awarding a design-build contract.

Authorizes local government skate park grantees to solicit and award a design-build or construction manager at-risk contract for a skate park project on the basis of a best value selection process. A local government must consider at least three proposals when awarding the contract.

9 **Availability of funds.**

Provides that a skate park grant is subject to the capital projects cancellation statute.

10 Grant authority.

Removes the geographic distribution requirement for early childhood learning and child protection facilities grants.

11 Capitol Area land use projects; zoning and design.

States that certain comprehensive plan and construction provisions related to Capitol complex construction projects do not apply to any project to address critical health, life safety, and security needs on the State Capitol complex for which funds are

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available on or before December 31, 2023, if the primary affected tenant has given final approval to the project.

12 Conveyance authorized; Amateur Sports Commission.

Authorizes the Minnesota Amateur Sports Commission to sell certain property at the National Sports Center in Blaine to the city of Blaine or the Blaine Economic Development Authority. An appropriation from the state general fund will be made to the Minnesota Amateur Sports Commission in the amount of the net proceeds of the sale to use for public improvements at the National Sports Center.

13 Repealer.

Repeals statutes related to the Minnesota pay-for-performance program.

14 Effective date.

Provides that the provisions in article 2 are effective the day following final enactment.



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