

Chapter 72

2023 Regular Session

Subject Capital Investment Bonding Bill

Bill H.F. 669/S.F. 676

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Overview

This act is a part of a capital investment package that includes both this act and Laws 2023, chapter 71. Appropriations in this act are funded from a combination of state general obligation bond proceeds and state general fund money.

For information about the appropriations in articles 1 and 2, 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 3 of the act.

Summary

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- 1 **Creation of accounts.**
Provides for an account to be created in the general fund, rather than the special revenue fund, for the greater Minnesota child care facility capital grant program.
- 2 **Definitions.**
Adds a definition of “bond-eligible costs” to the active transportation program statute.
- 3 **Active transportation account.**
Establishes active transportation accounts in the bond proceeds fund and general fund.
- 4 **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.

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- 5 **Glendalough State Park.**
Extends a 2018 bond sale authorization and appropriation for the Glendalough State Park visitors center project through December 31, 2023.
- 6 **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. Adds “construction” to the authorized uses of the appropriation.
- 7 **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. Clarifies the length of the trail segment being improved with the appropriation.
- 8 **Wadena – U.S. Highway 10 environmental cleanup.**
Extends a 2018 bond sale authorization and appropriation for a project along the U.S. Highway 10 corridor in the city of Wadena through December 31, 2026.
- 9 **Hennepin County – railroad crossing safety.**
Extends a 2018 bond sale authorization and appropriation, amended in 2020, for railroad crossing safety improvements in Hennepin County through December 31, 2026.
- 10 **White Bear Lake trail and route.**
Extends a 2018 bond sale authorization and appropriation, amended in 2019, for certain trail projects through December 31, 2026. 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.
- 11 **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.
- 12 **Minneapolis – American Indian Center.**
Extends a 2018 bond sale authorization and appropriation for the Minneapolis American Indian Center project through December 31, 2024.

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- 13 **Wabasha – National Eagle Center and Wabasha riverfront revitalization.**
Extends a 2018 bond sale authorization and appropriation, amended in 2020, for certain projects in the city of Wabasha through December 31, 2026.
- 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 **Lake City; shoreline stabilization and water access at Lake Pepin.**
Amends the description of the project to be funded with the appropriation to be for a retaining wall providing shoreline stabilization with public water access to Lake Pepin.
- 16 **Scott Soil and Water Conservation District; McMahon Lake flood mitigation.**
Changes the grantee to the Scott Soil and Water Conservation District for the purposes of the McMahon Lake flood mitigation project funded in the 2020 bonding bill. Also adds a reference to the statute governing state bond-financed property.
- 17 **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.
- 18 **Anoka County; Marked U.S. Highway 10/169**
Adds “construction” to the phases of the U.S. Highway 10/169 interchange projects funded in the 2020 bonding bill.
- 19 **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.
- 20 **International Falls-Koochiching County Airport improvements.**
Adds improvements to crosswind runway 4/22 to the authorized uses of the 2020 appropriation for projects at the International Falls Airport. Extends the bond sale authorization and appropriation until December 31, 2025.
- 21 **Rochester International Airport runway and associated improvements.**
Extends a 2020 bond sale authorization and appropriation for the Rochester International Airport project through December 31, 2028.

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- 22 **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.
- 23 **White Bear Lake communities; Lake Links Trail.**
Authorizes a 2020 appropriation of bond proceeds for the White Bear Lake communities Lake Links Trail to be used to acquire permanent easements and right-of-way. The bond sale authorization and appropriation are also extended until December 31, 2026.
- 24 **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.
- 25 **Duluth; Lake Superior Zoo.**
Removes “design” from the phases of the project to be funded with the appropriation in the 2020 bonding bill for the Lake Superior Zoo.
- 26 **St. Cloud; municipal athletic complex.**
Clarifies that the appropriation for the Municipal Athletic Facility in the city of St. Cloud is to renovate and expand the ice arena components of the facility. Grandstand improvements are removed from the authorized uses of the appropriation. Extends the bond sale authorization and appropriation of bond proceeds through December 31, 2028.
- 27 **Western Lake Superior Sanitary District; engine generators.**
Extends a 2020 bond sale authorization and appropriation for the Western Lake Superior Sanitary District project until December 31, 2026.
- 28 **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.
- 29 **Foley; wastewater infrastructure.**
Authorizes the appropriation from the 2020 bonding bill for wastewater infrastructure in the city of Foley to be used to reimburse the city for costs paid for the project after the enactment of the 2020 bonding bill but before the grant agreement for the project was executed.

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- 30 **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. Extends the bond sale authorization and appropriation for the project through December 31, 2026.
- 31 **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 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.
- 32 **Conveyance authorized.**
Authorizes the commissioner of natural resources to convey for no consideration to the city of Two Harbors certain state bond-financed property, subject to the state’s reservation of an access easement if the commissioner determines that such an easement is necessary or beneficial for access to any state-owned or state-administered property.
- 33 **River Place Arts, Culture, and Event Center; sales tax exemption for construction materials.**
Exempts construction materials, supplies, and equipment for the River Place Arts, Culture, and Event Center project in the city of Warroad from sales tax if the materials, supplies, and equipment are purchased after May 31, 2023, and before January 1, 2026. Appropriates \$500,000 in fiscal year 2024 from the general fund to the commissioner of revenue to pay the associated refunds.

Effective the day following final enactment and applies to sales and purchases made after May 30, 2023, and before January 1, 2026.
- 34 **Revisor instruction.**
Requires the revisor of statutes to codify the greater Minnesota housing infrastructure grant program into chapter 462A. The program was established in the 2023 Housing Policy and Finance bill.
- 35 **Effective date.**
Provides that the sections in article 3 are effective the day following final enactment, unless otherwise specified.



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