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Overview

This is the omnibus capital investment bill with the state general obligation bond proceeds appropriations. For capital appropriations made from the general fund, see H.F. No. 1068. For the appropriation amounts and fund sources, see the spreadsheet prepared by House Fiscal Analyst, Andrew Lee.

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Article 1 - Appropriations

- 1 Capital improvement appropriations.** Generally applicable provisions governing spending of bond proceeds.

New this year is the Governor's recommended provision that money appropriated in this act not be used for asset preservation if the work can be done in a reasonable time frame using the state energy improvement financing program in Minnesota Statutes, section 16A.322 or the guaranteed energy savings program in section 16C.144.

Provides a summary of the agencies and their total appropriations.

- 2 University of Minnesota.** The appropriations are in order of the University's priorities.

Subd. 2. Higher Education Asset Preservation and Replacement (HEAPR).

Subd. 3. Minneapolis, Tate Laboratory Renovation.

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Subd. 4. Crookston, Wellness Center.

Subd. 5. Research Laboratories. Includes the bee research facility, greenhouse, and aquatic invasive species research lab.

Subd. 6. Duluth, Chemical Sciences and Advanced Materials Building.

Subd. 7. James Ford Bell Natural History Museum and Planetarium.

Subd. 8. University share. Provides that the appropriations are for approximately two-thirds of project costs, except for HEAPR and the Bell Museum.

Subd. 9. Unspent appropriations. Allows money not needed for a completed project to be used for HEAPR. Requires a report to chairs of the house and senate capital investment and higher education finance committees.

3 Minnesota State Colleges and Universities (MnSCU). The appropriations are in order of MnSCU's priorities.

Subd. 2. Higher Education Asset Preservation and Replacement (HEAPR).

Subd. 3. Metropolitan State University. Science Education Center.

Subd. 4. Bemidji State University.

Subd. 5. Lake Superior College.

Subd. 6. Minneapolis Community and Technical College.

Subd. 7. Saint Paul College. Culinary Arts and Computer Numerical Control/Machine Tool space renovation.

Subd. 8. Minnesota State College, Southeast Technical. Red Wing and Winona.

Subd. 9. Central Lakes College, Staples.

Subd. 10. Minnesota State University, Mankato. Clinical sciences.

Subd. 11. Minnesota State Community and Technical College, Moorhead.

Subd. 12. Rochester Community and Technical College.

Subd. 13. Minnesota West Community and Technical College. Canby and Jackson.

Subd. 14. Dakota County Technical College.

Subd. 15. Century College.

Subd. 16. Northeast Higher Education District. For projects at Itasca, Rainy River, Vermilion, and Hibbing.

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Subd. 17. Winona State University. Education Village.

Subd. 18. Anoka Technical College.

Subd. 19. Saint Paul College. Health and science alliance center addition.

Subd. 20. Century College. Classrooms.

Subd. 21. South Central College, North Mankato.

Subd. 22. St. Cloud State University.

Subd. 23. Debt service. Requires MnSCU to pay one-third of the debt service on debt issued for the projects in this section, except for HEAPR.

Subd. 24. Unspent appropriations. Allows money not needed for a completed project to be used for HEAPR on the same campus as the project for which the original appropriation was made. Requires a report to chairs of the house and senate capital investment and higher education finance committees.

4 Education.

Subd. 2. Red Lake School District. Maximum effort school loan.

Subd. 3. Library construction grants. Includes set-aside amounts for the Jackson and Perham library renovation projects.

5 Minnesota State Academies.

Subd. 2. Asset preservation.

Subd. 3. New Residence hall.

6 Perpich Center for Arts Education. Asset preservation.

7 Natural Resources.

Subd. 2. Asset preservation.

Subd. 3. Buildings and facilities development.

Subd. 4. Flood hazard mitigation. For projects in Montevideo and Moorhead.

Subd. 5. Dam renovation, repair, removal. For repair and renovation of the Champlin Mill Pond dam and the Rapidan dam.

Subd. 6. RIM critical habitat.

Subd. 7. School trust lands acquisition.

Subd. 8. State trails acquisition and development. For the following trails:

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Blazing Star, Casey Jones, Cuyuna Lakes, Gateway, Gitchi-Gami, Glacial Lakes, Goodhue Pioneer, Heartland, Luce Line, Mill Towns, Minnesota River, Minnesota Valley, and Shooting Star.

Subd. 9. Aquatic Management Area acquisition and development.

Subd. 10. Central Minnesota Regional Parks. The original appropriation for this park was in 2008. Because the rider said it was to acquire 68 acres and the actual area was less than that, the rider needed to be amended to say “up to.” The 2013 bill included this provision but the final capital investment act did not and the 2008 money was canceled.

Subd. 11. Fort Snelling Upper Post, paths.

Subd. 12. Fountain Lake restoration. To Shell Rock River Watershed.

Subd. 13. State forest campground connection to sewer system. Requires the state forest campground in Kabetogama Township to connect to a public sewage treatment system within the Voyageurs National Park Clean Water Joint Powers Board’s jurisdiction, when one is constructed. An appropriation through the Public Facilities Authority below funds the sewage treatment system.

Subd. 14. Unspent appropriations. Permits the agency to use money appropriated but not needed to complete a project to be used for asset preservation.

8 Pollution Control Agency. For a capital assistance program grant to Becker County.

9 Board of Water and Soil Resources.

Subd. 2. RIM Reserve.

Subd. 3. Local government roads wetland replacement program.

10 Minnesota Zoological Garden. For Discovery Bay renovation and asset preservation.

11 Administration.

Subd. 2. Capital asset preservation and replacement account (CAPRA).

Subd. 3. Minnesota Hmong-Lao Veterans Memorial.

Subd. 4. Minnesota Workers Memorial.

12 Amateur Sports.

Subd. 2. Southwest Regional Amateur Sports Center. In Marshall.

Subd. 3. National Sports Center expansion. In Blaine.

Subd. 4. Asset preservation. In Blaine.

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13 Public Safety.

Subd. 2. Cottage Grove – HERO Center.

Subd. 3. Maplewood – East Metro Public Safety Training Center.

14 Military Affairs.

Subd. 2. Asset preservation. Also allows money to be used to expand the parking lot at the armory in Owatonna.

Subd. 3. Brooklyn Park Armory.

15 Transportation.

Subd. 2. Local bridge replacement and rehabilitation. Includes money for the Franklin Avenue bridge rehabilitation.

Subd. 3. Local road improvement fund grants. Includes money for the 77th Street underpass in Richfield, Armstrong Boulevard project in Anoka County, and the road improvements related to the TCAAP project in Ramsey County.

Subd. 4. Greater Minnesota Transit. For the St. Cloud Metropolitan Transit and Kandiyohi Area Transit.

Subd. 5. Willmar District Headquarters. Trunk Highway Fund.

Subd. 6. Little Falls Truck Station. Trunk Highway Fund.

Subd. 7. Safe Routes to School.

Subd. 8. Port Development Assistance.

16 Metropolitan Council.

Subd. 2. Metropolitan Regional Parks and Trails.

Subd. 3. Metropolitan Cities Inflow and Infiltration grants.

Subd. 4. Inver Grove Heights, Heritage Village Park.

Subd. 5. Fridley – Springbrook Nature Center.

Subd. 6. St. Paul – Bruce Vento Nature Sanctuary Cultural Center.

Subd. 7. Washington County – Hastings Bridge trail connection.

17 Human Services.

Subd. 2. Minnesota Security Hospital – St. Peter.

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Subd. 3. Asset Preservation.

Subd. 4. Early Childhood Learning and Child Protection Facilities. Includes money for Hennepin County project at the YWCA in Minneapolis.

Subd. 5. Maplewood – Harriet Tubman Center East.

Subd. 6. Hennepin County – St. David’s Center for Child and Family Development.

18 Veterans Affairs.

Subd. 2. Asset preservation.

Subd. 3. Minneapolis Veterans Home, deep tunnel.

Subd. 4. Residents rooms renovation. At Luverne and Silver Bay.

Subd. 5. New Storage building, Luverne.

Subd. 6. Edina – All Veterans Memorial.

Subd. 7. North St. Paul – Veterans Memorial.

19 Corrections.

Subd. 2. Asset Preservation.

Subd. 3. Minnesota Correctional Facility – Shakopee. For the fence.

Subd. 4. Minnesota Correctional Facility – St. Cloud. Phase 1.

Subd. 5. Unspent appropriations. Permits the agency to use money appropriated but not needed to complete a project to be used for asset preservation.

20 Employment and Economic Development.

Subd. 2. Innovative Business Development Public Infrastructure grants.

Subd. 3. Public Building Accessibility grants. For the new program established in article 2.

Subd. 4. St. Paul – Minnesota Public Media Commons.

21 Public Facilities Authority.

Subd. 2. State match for federal grants. Drinking water and wastewater infrastructure.

Subd. 3. Wastewater infrastructure funding (WIF).

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Subd. 4. Big Lake Area Sanitary District.

Subd. 5. Voyageurs National Park Clean Water Joint Powers Board.

22 Housing Finance Agency. For public housing rehabilitation.

23 Minnesota Historical Society.

Subd. 2. Oliver H. Kelley Farm historic site.

Subd. 3. Historic sites asset preservation.

Subd. 4. Historic Fort Snelling predesign.

24 Grants to Political Subdivisions.

Subd. 2. Brainerd – utilities extension to the Brainerd Lakes Regional Airport.

Subd. 3. Chatfield – Center for the Arts.

Subd. 4. Grand Rapids Independent School District No. 318. For the Myles Reif Center.

Subd. 5. Lewis and Clark joint powers board. Water system.

Subd. 6. Mankato, Arena and Events Center Auditorium.

Subd. 7. Minneapolis, Nicollet Mall. Predesign and design.

Subd. 8. Range Regional Airport.

Subd. 9. Red Wing River Renaissance.

Subd. 10. Rice Lake Township, water main replacement.

Subd. 11. Rochester, Mayo Civic Center Complex.

Subd. 12. Sandstone Business Park.

Subd. 13. St. Cloud, River's Edge Convention Center.

Subd. 14. St. Paul, Minnesota Children's Museum.

Subd. 15. Truman, storm water project.

Subd. 16. Virginia, Highway 53 utilities relocation.

25 Bond sale expenses.

26 Bond sale authorizations.

27 Cancellations.

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- 28 Bond sale schedule.** Amends the 2013 provision that set the limit on the amount that may be transferred from the general fund to the state bond fund to pay debt service during the biennium, to take into account bond sales authorized in this bill.
- 29 Appropriations given effect once.** Provides that if an appropriation is enacted in more than one bill, it is to be given effect only once.
- 30 Effective date.** Provides that the article is effective the day following final enactment.

Article 2

- 1 Waivers authorized (statute governing state assistance after a natural disaster).** Modifies the cross reference to reflect the change in the local bridge grant program made in this bill and for grants under the fracture-critical bridges provision, section 174.50, subdivision 6c, that was added to the statutes after the state assistance after a natural disaster statute was first enacted.
- 2 Negotiated sales authority.** Permits negotiated sales of state general obligation bonds. Temporary authority was granted in 2009 and renewed in 2011, but expired in 2013.
- 3 Reports (cancellation statute).** Adds state appropriation bonds to the cancellation statute.
- 4 Cancellation.** Same as section 3.
- 5 Public building accessibility grant program.** Establishes a new grant program in DEED for making accessibility improvements in city, county, or town buildings. Caps a local government at \$150,000 total in grants. Requires nonstate match.
- 6 Qualification; improvement grants (library construction grants).** Specifies that improvements include remediation of conditions hazardous to health or safety.
- 7 Higher education capital projects.** Provides that the criteria for priorities in capital funding requests from the University of Minnesota and the Minnesota State Colleges and Universities are not in priority order.
- 8 Bridge costs in smaller cities.** Reinstates without an end date the grant program for small cities; grants were allowed until June 30, 2007 under current law. Strikes the limitation to cities with a net tax capacity of under \$200,000 and provides that engineering, not preliminary engineering, is an eligible use of grant money. Provides that grants may be used for 100 percent of design, engineering, and approach work costs that exceed \$10,000. Provides that grants for construction are for 100 percent of costs. Finally, eliminates the \$200,000 cap on grant amounts.
- 9 Bridge grant program; rulemaking.** Incorporates into the statute governing bridge grants the language that has been in the rider for the appropriation of bond funds for local bridge replacement and renovation.

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- 10** **Advisory committee (local road improvement program).** Modifies the name of the advisory committee for the local road improvement program and directs it to advise on use of all accounts provided for in the section.
- 11** **Minnesota Valley Railroad Tract Rehabilitation (2008).** Extends authority to use the money to December 31, 2015, and allows it to be used for bridge work.
- 12** **Minnesota Valley Railroad Tract Rehabilitation (2009).** Extends authority to use the money to December 31, 2015, and allows it to be used for bridge work.
- 13** **Minnesota Valley Railroad Tract Rehabilitation (2010).** Extends authority to use the money to December 31, 2015, and allows it to be used for bridge work.
- 14** **Minneapolis – Orchestra Hall (2010).** Extends the time for use of the \$2 million for the Peavey Plaza project to December 31, 2018.
- 15** **Flood hazard mitigation, stream restoration grants (2012).** Allows money appropriated in the 2012 disaster relief legislation for flood hazard mitigation to also be used for stream restoration projects in the same area. This allows the money to be used for the Mission Creek and Chester Creek projects in Duluth.
- 16** **Reforestation (2012).** Allows money from the 2012 disaster relief legislation to be used for reforestation to also be used in the 2011 disaster area. This allows the money to be used to reforest DNR property in Pine County.
- 17** **Veterans Affairs (2013).** Modifies use of 2013 appropriation. The amount appropriated in 2013 was for the state’s 35 percent share, but the federal 65 percent share has not been awarded and so the project cannot proceed as planned.
- 18** **East Metro Integration District, property conveyance.** Authorizes the East Metro Integration District to transfer the Harambee Community School to the Roseville district and the Crosswinds School in Woodbury to the Perpich Center for Arts Education.
- 19** **Revisor’s instruction.** Directs changing the “Library Accessibility and Improvement Grants” program headnote to “Library Construction Grants.”
- 20** **Effective date.** Except as otherwise provided, effective the day following final enactment.