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## **Article 1: Appropriations**

# Overview

See the spreadsheet prepared by Andrew Lee, House Fiscal Analyst, for amounts and sources of appropriations.

#### 1 **Capital improvement appropriations.** Provides that the money:

- is appropriated from state general obligation bond proceeds unless otherwise stated;
- must be spent on purposes allowed by the state constitution;
- may be used for state agency staff costs that are directly attributable to the capital program or project, subject to Minnesota Management and Budget policy;
- is available until the project is completed or abandoned subject to the statute governing cancellation of capital funding;
- for asset preservation should not be used for work that can be done in a reasonable time using existing energy improvement financing programs; and
- for a grant to a political subdivision is available after the commissioner of management and budget determines that an amount sufficient to complete the project as described in this act has been committed to the project, as required by Minnesota Statutes, section 16A.502.

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University of Minnesota. For asset preservation, renovation of Pillsbury Hall on the Minneapolis campus; renovation of teaching, research, and learning spaces on the Duluth, Morris, and Crookston campuses; and renovation of the historic Glensheen estate. The University is responsible for one-third of project costs except for asset preservation, which is funded entirely by the state, and Glensheen, which is for half the project costs. Allows unused money for a completed project to be used for asset preservation. Requires notice to MMB and the legislature.

- 3 Minnesota State Colleges and Universities. For systemwide asset preservation, and for capital projects on the following campuses:
  - Anoka-Ramsey Community College in Coon Rapids
  - Bemidji State University
  - Century College
  - Inver Hills Community College
  - Minnesota State University, Mankato
  - Minnesota State University, Moorhead
  - Normandale Community College
  - Riverland Community College in Albert Lea
  - Rochester Community and Technical College

Except for asset preservation, Minnesota State is responsible for paying debt service on one-third the principal amount issued for the projects in this section.

Allows unused money for a completed project to be used for asset preservation on the same campus. Requires notice to MMB and the legislature.

- **Education.** For library construction grants; school safety grants; a maximum effort school loan to ISD 38, Red Lake for the early learning childhood center and the elementary school; a grant to renovate the Cosmos elementary school for use by the regional educational program for autistic students, emotionally or behaviorally disturbed students, and other students with specific educational needs; and a grant to the Warroad school district for expansion of the Northwest Angle School.
- 5 Minnesota State Academies. For asset preservation on both campuses.
- 6 Natural Resources.
  - **Subd. 1. Total appropriation.** Provides that appropriations in the section are subject to the general natural resources capital improvement program under Minnesota Statutes, section 86A.12, unless otherwise specified.
    - **Subd. 2. Natural Resources Asset Preservation.**
    - **Subd. 3. Flood Hazard Mitigation.**
    - Subd. 4. Acquisition and betterment of buildings.

- Subd. 5. State Park and Recreation Area Accessibility improvements.
- **Subd. 6. Elk River Lake Orono.** To dredge the lake.
- **Subd. 7. State trail.** For the Blufflands trail system from Harmony to the Iowa border.
  - Subd. 8. Cohasset Tioga Recreation Area.
  - Subd. 9. Northwood ATV trail; Mille Lacs-Malmo east loop.
- **Subd. 10. Unspent appropriations.** Allows unused money for a project that is completed to be used for asset preservation. Requires notice to MMB.
- 7 Pollution Control Agency.
  - Subd. 2. WDE landfill.
  - Subd. 3. Lake Redwood reclamation.
  - Subd. 4. Clay County solid waste transfer station.
- 8 Board of Water and Soil Resources.
  - Subd. 2. Reinvest in Minnesota (RIM) Reserve.
  - Subd. 3. Local Government Roads Wetland Replacement.
  - Subd. 4. South St. Paul Seidl's Lake.
- 9 Rural Finance Authority.
- **Minnesota Zoological Garden.** For asset preservation.
- 11 Administration.
  - Subd. 2. CAPRA.
  - Subd. 3. Capitol Complex Monuments and Memorials.
  - Subd. 4. Capitol Complex Physical Security Upgrades.
- **Military Affairs.** For renovation of the St. Cloud readiness center.
- Public Safety. For the HERO center in Cottage Grove, the Safety and Mental health Alternative Response Training (SMART) center in Dakota County, and MERIT center in Marshall.
- 14 Transportation.
  - **Subd. 2. Local Road Improvement grants.** Includes a grant for Brockton Lane in Dayton, Argenta Trail in Dakota County, and highway 101 turnback segment in Carver County.
    - Subd. 3. Hennepin CSAH 9/I-494 Rockford Road.
  - **Subd. 4. Ramsey County Regional Railroad Authority.** Rail grade crossing separation.

- **Subd. 5. Rail crossing improvements.** For safety improvements at three rail crossings in Hennepin County.
  - Subd. 6. Trunk highways 55, 29 grade separation in Pope County.
  - **Subd. 7. Port Development Assistance.**
  - Subd. 8. Corridors of Commerce.
  - Subd. 9. Trunk Highway-Rail Grade Separations.
- **Subd. 10. Transportation Facilities Capital.** For the program established in article 2.
- 15 Metropolitan Council.
  - Subd. 2. Metropolitan Regional Parks and Trails Capital Improvements.
  - **Subd. 3. Inflow and Infiltration grants.**
  - Subd. 4. New Hope 50 Meter Pool.
  - Subd. 5. St. Paul Wakan Tipi Center.
- 16 Human Services.
  - Subd. 2. Asset preservation.
  - **Subd. 3. St. Peter Regional Treatment Center.** To renovate the dietary building.
  - Subd. 4. Anoka Metro Regional Treatment Center Roof and HVAC Replacement.
    - Subd. 5. Regional Behavioral Health Crisis facility grants.
    - **Subd. 6. Minneapolis The Family Partnership.**
  - Subd. 7. Scott County Regional Crisis Stabilization and Intensive Residential Treatment Services facility.
    - Subd. 8. White Earth opiate treatment facility.
- Veterans Affairs. Asset Preservation; construction of new veterans homes in Preston, Montevideo, and Bemidji.
- 18 Corrections.
  - **Subd. 2. Asset Preservation.**
  - Subd. 3. St. Cloud. Interior fence.
  - **Subd. 4. Moose Lake.** Control center renovation and expansion.
  - **Subd. 5. Unspent appropriation.** Allows unused money for a project that is completed to be used for asset preservation. Requires notice to MMB.
- 19 Employment and Economic Development.
  - Subd. 2. Greater Minnesota Business Development Public Infrastructure Grants (BDPI).

- Subd. 3. Transportation Economic Development.
- Subd. 4. Innovative Business Development Public Infrastructure Grants.
- Subd. 5. Austin Public TV.
- Subd. 6. Brooklyn Park Second Harvest.
- Subd. 7. Duluth steam plant.
- Subd. 8. Hennepin County Children's Theatre.
- Subd. 9. Itasca County Northern community radio infrastructure.
- Subd. 10. Jackson Memorial Park.
- Subd. 11. Litchfield opera house.
- Subd. 12. Minneapolis upper harbor terminal redevelopment.
- Subd. 13. Minneapolis American Indian Center. Renovation and expansion.
- Subd. 14. Pipestone County dental care facility.
- Subd. 15. Polk County North Country Food Bank.
- Subd. 16. Silver Bay Black Beach campground.
- Subd. 17. St. Paul Conway Recreation Center.
- Subd. 18. St. Paul Humanities Center.
- Subd. 19. St. Paul Minnesota Museum of American Art.
- Subd. 20. Wabasha National Eagle Center and Wabasha Rivertown Resurgence.
  - Subd. 21. Waite Park Quarry redevelopment.
- **20** Public Facilities Authority.
  - Subd. 2. State Match for Federal Grants.
  - **Subd. 3. Water Infrastructure Funding.** Includes a set-aside for Windom and Albertville.
    - **Subd. 4. Point Source Implementation Grants.**
- 21 Minnesota Housing Finance Agency. For public housing rehabilitation.
- 22 Minnesota Historical Society.
  - **Subd. 2. Historic Sites asset preservation.**
  - **Subd. 3. Historic Fort Snelling.** For the new visitor center.
- 23 Bond sale expenses.
- 24 Bond sale authorization.
- 25 Cancellation; bond sale authorization reduction.

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- **Bond sale schedule.** Amends the 2017 law setting 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 and directs MMB to time selling the bonds so as to not exceed that amount.
- 27 Trunk highway bond appropriations; authorization take effect only once.
- **Effective date.** Effective the day after enactment unless otherwise specified in the article.

#### **Article 2: Miscellaneous**

- Funding (capital grants to political subdivisions). Strikes an obsolete reference (subdivision 3 was repealed in 2009) and clarifies that recommendations or appropriations may be more than half the total cost of a local project.
- **Construction and major remodeling.** Adds freight rail projects to the list of capital projects exempt from the legislative review of project plans, specifications, and cost estimations.
- **PFA excluded.** Excludes PFA appropriations and projects from the percent for art program.
- **Transportation Facilities Capital Program.** Establishes a capital program for trunk highway funded facilities.
- 5 Eligible project (hazardous materials rail safety program). Adds relocation of publicly owned utilities to what may be paid for under the program.
- **Rail service improvement accounts; appropriation.** Establishes a bond proceeds account for the rail service improvement program that takes effect only if the Freight Rail Economic Development program is not enacted.
- **Exemptions** (state building code). Exempts the house of representatives and senate from code requirements for locks so they may install door locks within their chambers in the State Capitol that meet their needs.
- **Point source implementation program.** Increases the maximum grant amount from \$7 million to \$9 million
- **Estimated funding needs (point source implementation program).** Requires the Public Facilities Authority to estimate and report to the legislature each year the amount needed to cover WIF and point source implementation grants.
- 10 Definitions (Housing Infrastructure Bonds, MHFA). Defines "senior housing."
- Authorization (Housing Infrastructure Bonds, MHFA). Adds senior housing and manufactured home parks to the purposes for which housing infrastructure bond proceeds may be used. For manufactured home parks, the money may be used for grants or loans. Provides criteria for prioritizing comparable proposals for senior housing projects. Requires balancing loans made between projects in the metropolitan area and outside of it, to the extent practicable. In areas outside the metropolitan area, requires balancing loans made for projects in cities with a population of 20,000 or greater and areas with fewer people than that.

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**Additional authorization (Housing Infrastructure Bonds, MHFA).** Authorizes \$50,000,000.

- Additional appropriation (debt service Housing Infrastructure Bonds, MHFA). Appropriates from the general fund in fiscal year 2021, \$2,000,000 and then beginning in fiscal year 2022 and after, \$4,000,000 per year to pay debt service on the bonds issued by the MHFA.
- Veterans cemeteries. Amends the 2009 appropriation for veterans cemeteries. Allows for seeking federal funding for the capital improvements. Extends availability of the money to December 31, 2022. Provides that federal reimbursement for predesign and design of veterans cemeteries may be used for asset preservation at veterans homes after design is completed for the cemeteries in Redwood, St. Louis, and Fillmore Counties, instead of after all legislatively authorized veterans cemeteries are completed.
- New Residence Hall (Minnesota State Academy). Allows money remaining from the 2014 appropriation for a project on the Minnesota State Academy for the Deaf campus to be used for asset preservation.
- Minneapolis Brian Coyle Community Center. Extends availability of the 2014 appropriation to June 30, 2020.
- 17 City of Rice Lake Water Main Replacement. Changes the name of the grantee to reflect incorporation of the town in 2015 and extends availability to June 30, 2020.
- Corrections. Allows money remaining from the 2014 appropriation for the St. Cloud state prison to be used for the project authorized in 2017 (as amended in this article), and extends its availability to 2020.
- **Local road improvement fund grants.** Allows the 2015 appropriation for the Willmar Wye project to be used for predesign, design, right-of-way acquisition, and engineering as well as for construction and reconstruction of the roads.
- **State roads.** Amends the 2017 debt service amount for trunk highway bonds to take into account the new authorization in this bill.
- 21 State Trail, Recreation Area, and Park Acquisition and Development. Corrects the 2017 appropriation amount for the subdivision.
- Local road improvement fund grants. Clarifies the intended use of money appropriated in 2017 for the Columbus interchange project to include design, land acquisition, engineering, and construction for the improvements and realignment.
- **Rail service improvement.** Changes the name of the program in the 2017 appropriation to align with the statutory program change in the Transportation Finance provisions of H.F. 3138, 3<sup>rd</sup> engrossment, article 12, section 69 creating Freight Rail Economic Development grants (FRED). This change is effective when the statutory change is effective, if it is enacted.
- **Grand Rapids Pedestrian Bridge.** Provides that the 2017 appropriation is for construction as well as design.

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- **Eden Prairie Rail Grade Crossings.** Allows the 2017 appropriation to include rail crossing safety devices for a pathway.
- White Bear Lake Multiuse Trails. Modifies and corrects the 2107 project description and allocation of money.
- Minneapolis the Family Partnership. Strikes the match requirement in the 2017 appropriation for predesign and design. Allows any money remaining from this appropriation to be used for the next phase of the project.
- 28 Minnesota Correctional Facility St. Cloud. Clarifies the 2017 appropriation.
- **St. Paul Minnesota Museum of American Art.** Allows the 2017 appropriation to be used for acquisition.
- **Dennison Sewage Treatment System Improvements.** Clarifies the 2017 appropriation.
- Historic Fort Snelling. Allows money remaining from the 2017 appropriation to be used for the next phase of the project, which includes demolition of the existing visitor center, and to renovate, construct, furnish, and equip a new visitor center at Historic Fort Snelling.
- **Behavioral Health Crisis Facilities Grants.** Establishes the grant program for facilities and requires biennial reports on projects funded.
- Appropriation; analyzing costs and ratepayer impacts of water quality regulations. Appropriates \$500,000 from the general fund in each of fiscal years 2020 and 2021 for the commissioner of administration for a grant to any Minnesota higher education institution or a municipal joint powers organization established before January 1, 2018, to review water quality regulations and national pollutant discharge elimination system (NPDES) permits.
- **Effective date.** Effective the day after enactment unless otherwise specified in the article.