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Subject Omnibus capital investment

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Overview

Article 1 contains the appropriations. See the spreadsheet by Andrew Lee, House Fiscal Analyst.

Article 2 contains miscellaneous statutory changes related to capital investment and changes to prior appropriations.

Article 1: Appropriations

Article 2: Miscellaneous

Section Description

1 Negotiated sales.

Authorizes Minnesota Management and Budget to sell state bonds by a negotiated sales process. MMB was first given this as temporary authority in 2009. The authority was renewed a couple of times but expired June 30, 2018.

2 Greater Minnesota child care facilities capital grant program.

Subd. 1. Purpose. Establishes the grant program to support job creation and retention in greater Minnesota by providing financing for child care facilities.

Subd. 2. Creation of accounts. Creates two accounts for appropriations to the grant program: one in the general fund for cash projects and one in the bond proceeds fund. Money in either account is available for four years.

Subd. 3. Eligible applicant. Cities, counties, and school districts, or joint powers boards comprised of two or more of those are eligible for funding from either the general fund or the bond proceeds fund. Private child care providers are eligible for funding from the general fund account.

Only entities outside the seven-county metropolitan area are eligible.

Subd. 4. Local government authority. Provides specific authority to cities, counties, and school districts to own and operate child care facilities. Allows the

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local governments to enter into lease or management agreements to provide the child care program.

Subd. 5. Eligible project. Funds may be used for all aspects of a capital project that support the program purposes.

Subd. 6. Grants. Provides grants for up to 50 percent of costs.

Subd. 7. Application; criteria. Directs the commissioner of employment and economic development to develop forms and procedures for soliciting and reviewing applications. Specifies information to be included in an application.

Subd. 8. Maximum grant amount. Sets the maximum at \$500,000 per project or \$2,000,000 in two years for one or more projects in the same city or county.

Subd. 9. Cancellation of grant; return of money. Gives grantees five years to spend the money on the project or it must be returned to the agency.

3 Qualification; accessibility grants (libraries).

Increases the maximum grant amount from \$200,000 to \$450,000 for matching grants to make accessibility improvement grants for public libraries.

4 Transportation facilities capital program.

Subd. 1. Establishment; accounts. Creates the program to prioritize among eligible projects that support the mission of the Department of Transportation, extend the useful life of existing buildings, or renovate or construct needed facilities. Appropriations may be from trunk highway bond proceeds or other money put into the account established in the trunk highway fund. Appropriates money in the account to the commissioner of transportation for the program – which is only for trunk highway purposes.

Subd. 2. Standards. Directs the commissioner to review eligible projects following criteria in subdivision 4.

Subd. 3. Eligible expenditures. Provides that a project is eligible only if it is a capital building asset that is part of the state trunk highway system.

Subd. 4. Criteria for priorities. States priorities.

5 Plan development; criteria (Mighty Ducks grants).

Increases maximum grant amounts for R-22 elimination from \$50,000 to \$200,000 for indirect cooling systems and from \$400,000 to \$500,000 for direct cooling systems.

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6 Scope of application (Minnesota Human Rights Act).

Sections 6 to 8 extends provisions of the Minnesota Human Rights Act relating to affirmative action and pay equity to all entities that receive state capital project bond funds.

Requires a "public officer or agency subject to section 16A.695" contracting for \$100,000 or more of goods or services with a business that has 40 or more employees to get the business' affirmative action plan and have it approved by the commissioner of human rights.

Section 16A.695 applies to a "public officer or agency that is authorized by law to lease or enter into a management contract with respect to state bond financed property" and defines "public officer or agency" to mean "a state officer or agency, the University of Minnesota, the Minnesota Historical Society, and any county, home rule charter or statutory city, school district, special purpose district, or other public entity, or any officer or employee thereof."

7 Revocation of contract (Minnesota Human Rights Act).

Permits a public officer or agency to terminate a contract if the business' certificate of compliance is suspended or revoked for failure to implement the approved affirmative action plan.

8 Scope (Minnesota Human Rights Act).

Prohibits a "public officer or agency subject to section 16A.695" from contracting for \$500,000 or more in goods and services with a business that has 40 or more employees unless the business has an equal pay certificate or certifies it is exempt.

9 Additional authorization (Minnesota Housing Finance Agency).

Authorizes \$120 million in housing infrastructure bonds.

10 Additional appropriation (Minnesota Housing Finance Agency).

Appropriates from the general fund the amount needed to pay debt service on the new authorization of housing infrastructure bonds. Begins in fiscal year 2023 (with author's amendment).

11 Richfield – 77th Street underpass.

Extends availability of the 2015 appropriation to December 31, 2023.

12 Minneapolis Veterans Home truss bridge.

Allows money appropriated in 2017 not needed for the bridge to be used for asset preservation in veterans homes statewide.

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13	Glensheen renewal.
	Allows portions of the 2018 appropriation to be released as nonstate money is committed sufficient to complete a discrete project or phase of the overall project.
14	Total appropriation.
	Corrects the 2018 DNR section total.
15	Total appropriation.
	Corrects the 2018 DEED section total.
16	Effective date.
	Article 2 is effective the day following final enactment.



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