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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. Minneapolis, Tate Laboratory Renovation.

   Subd. 3. Crookston, Wellness Center.
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Subd. 4. Research Laboratories. Includes the bee research facility and aquatic invasive species research lab.

Subd. 5. Duluth, Chemical Sciences and Advanced Materials Building.

Subd. 6. James Ford Bell Natural History Museum and Planetarium.

Subd. 7. University share. Provides that the appropriations are for approximately two-thirds of project costs, except for HEAPR and the Bell Museum.

Subd. 8. 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.

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

Subd. 2. Metropolitan State University. Science Education Center.

Subd. 3. Bemidji State University.

Subd. 4. Lake Superior College.

Subd. 5. Minneapolis Community and Technical College.


Subd. 9. Minnesota State Community and Technical College, Moorhead.

Subd. 10. Rochester Community and Technical College.

Subd. 11. Century College.


Subd. 15. Century College. Classrooms.

Subd. 16. South Central College, North Mankato.

Subd. 17. St. Cloud State University.
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**Subd. 18. 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. 19. 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.**

**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. Dam renovation, repair, removal.** For repair and renovation of the Champlin Mill Pond dam, the Rapidan dam, and Lanesboro dam.

**Subd. 5. RIM critical habitat.**

**Subd. 6. State trails acquisition and development.** For the following trails: Blazing Star, Camp Ripley/Veterans, Casey Jones, Cuyuna Lakes, Gateway, Gitchi-Gami, Glacial Lakes, Goodhue Pioneer, Heartland, Luce Line, Mill Towns, Minnesota River, Minnesota Valley, and Shooting Star.

**Subd. 7. Scientific and Natural Areas Acquisition and Development.**

**Subd. 8. Aquatic Management Area acquisition and development.**

**Subd. 9. 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.
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Subd. 10. Fort Snelling Upper Post, paths.

Subd. 11. Red River Recreation Area. For campground utilities in East Grand Forks.


Subd. 15. James Ford Bell Museum. For outdoor classrooms.

Subd. 16. 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. 17. Unspent appropriations. Permits the agency to use money appropriated but not needed to complete a project to be used for asset preservation.

8 Agriculture. For a feed storage and grinding rooms at the lab.

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

10 Board of Water and Soil Resources.

   Subd. 2. RIM Reserve.

   Subd. 3. Local government roads wetland replacement program.

11 Minnesota Zoological Garden. For asset preservation.

12 Administration.

   Subd. 2. Capitol Renovation and Restoration.

   Subd. 3. Capital asset preservation and replacement account (CAPRA).

   Subd. 4. Minnesota Hmong-Lao Veterans Memorial.

   Subd. 5. Minnesota Workers Memorial.

13 Amateur Sports.


   Subd. 4. Asset preservation. In Blaine.
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14 Public Safety.

Subd. 2. Cottage Grove – HERO Center.

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

Subd. 4. Montgomery – Public Safety Facility.

15 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.

16 Transportation.

Subd. 2. Greater Minnesota Transit. For the St. Cloud Metropolitan Transit and Kandiyohi Area Transit.

Subd. 3. Railroad Warning Devices Replacement. For Little Canada and Shoreview.

Subd. 4. Passenger and Freight Rail.

17 Metropolitan Council.

Subd. 2. Transit Capital Improvement Program.

Subd. 3. Metropolitan Regional Parks and Trails. Lists locations of projects.

Subd. 4. Metropolitan Cities Inflow and Infiltration grants.

Subd. 5. Inver Grove Heights, Heritage Village Park.


Subd. 7. Minneapolis – Sculpture Garden Drainage Control.


Subd. 10. St. Paul – Como Zoo.

Subd. 11. Washington County – Hastings Bridge trail connection.

18 Human Services.

Subd. 2. Asset Preservation.
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Subd. 3. Maplewood – Harriet Tubman Center East.

Subd. 4. Hennepin County – St. David’s Center for Child and Family Development.

19 Veterans Affairs.

Subd. 2. Asset preservation.

Subd. 3. Minneapolis Veterans Home, deep tunnel.

Subd. 4. Edina – All Veterans Memorial.


20 Corrections.

Subd. 2. Asset Preservation.

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


Subd. 5. Northeast Regional Corrections Center.

Subd. 6. Unspent appropriations. Permits the agency to use money appropriated but not needed to complete a project to be used for asset preservation.

21 Employment and Economic Development.

Subd. 2. Greater Minnesota Business Development Public Infrastructure grants.

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


22 Public Facilities Authority.


Subd. 3. Wastewater infrastructure funding (WIF).

Subd. 4. Big Lake Area Sanitary District.


23 Housing Finance Agency. For public housing rehabilitation.
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24 Minnesota Historical Society.

   Subd. 2. Oliver H. Kelley Farm historic site.
   Subd. 3. Historic sites asset preservation.
   Subd. 4. Historic Fort Snelling predesign.

25 Iron Range Resources and Rehabilitation Board. For a new multi-use, year-round event center at Giant’s Ridge.

26 Grants to Political Subdivisions.

   Subd. 2. Chatfield – Center for the Arts.
   Subd. 3. Duluth, NorShor Theatre.
   Subd. 4. Duluth, Spirit Mountain Recreation Area.
   Subd. 5. Duluth, Wade Stadium.
   Subd. 6. Fosston – Second Street Road Improvement.
   Subd. 7. Grand Rapids Independent School District No. 318. For the Myles Reif Center.
   Subd. 8 International Falls, airport.
   Subd. 9. Lake Superior-Poplar River Water District.
   Subd. 10. Mankato, Arena and Events Center Auditorium.
   Subd. 11. Maple Plain – Street and Utility project.
   Subd. 12. Minneapolis, Brian Coyle community center. For predesign and design.
   Subd. 13. Minneapolis, Hennepin Center for the Arts.
   Subd. 14. Minneapolis, Nicollet Mall.
   Subd. 15. Park Rapids Upper Mississippi Arts Center.
   Subd. 16. Range Regional Airport.
   Subd. 17. Red Wing River Renaissance.
   Subd. 18. Rice Lake Township, water main replacement.
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Subd. 20. Sandstone Business Park.


Subd. 25. St. Paul Port Authority, University Enterprise Laboratories.


Subd. 27. Truman, storm water project.

Subd. 28. Virginia, Highway 53 utilities relocation.

Subd. 29. Worthington – Biotechnology Advancement Center.

27 Bond sale expenses.

28 Bond sale authorizations.

29 Cancellations.

30 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.

31 Appropriations given effect once. Provides that if an appropriation is enacted in more than one bill, it is to be given effect only once.

32 Effective date. Provides that the article is effective the day following final enactment.

Article 2: Miscellaneous

1 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.

2 Reports (cancellation statute). Adds state appropriation bonds to the cancellation statute.

3 Cancellation. Same as section 2.

4 Public representative required. Requires a lease or management agreement for a project given $5 million or more from bond proceeds to provide for the commissioner of the granting agency or a member of the political subdivision’s governing body to appoint an interested and qualified person to serve on the governing body of the entity operating the facility. Applies retroactively to appropriations made on or after July 1, 2009.
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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 **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.

9 **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.

10 **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.

11 **Minneapolis – Orchestra Hall (2010).** Extends the time for use of the $2 million for the Peavey Plaza project to December 31, 2018.

12 **Hennepin County – Minnesota African American History Museum and Cultural Center (2011).** Allows the grant to be used to acquire the land and buildings in addition to the other uses listed.

13 **Minneapolis Veterans Home Centralized Pharmacy (2012).** Gives some flexibility on which building will be used.

14 **Austin Port Authority – Research and Technology Center (2012).** Allows the money to be used for the parking lot as well as the building.

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.
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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 Conveyance of surplus state land; Washington County. Conveys land that is part of the prison property to the city of Bayport for no cost. To be used for a fire station. Remains state bond financed property.

20 Revisor’s instruction. Directs changing the “Library Accessibility and Improvement Grants” program headnote to “Library Construction Grants.”

21 Effective date. Except as otherwise provided, effective the day following final enactment.