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# HOUSE FILE NO. 2703

## SECOND COMMITTEE ENGROSSMENT

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The bill was read for the first time and Interim introduction, referred to Finance

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*Referred by Chair to Minnesota Heritage Finance Division.*

February 25, 2008

*Returned to the Committee on Finance as Amended.*

1.1 A bill for an act

1.2 relating to capital improvements; appropriating money for grants for digital  
1.3 conversion, asset preservation, improvements to and development of cultural,  
1.4 historical, and other public attractions; authorizing the sale and issuance of  
1.5 state bonds.

1.6 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF MINNESOTA:

1.7 Section 1. **CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT APPROPRIATIONS.**

1.8 The sums shown in the column under "Appropriations" are appropriated from the  
1.9 bond proceeds fund, or another named fund, to the state agencies or officials indicated,  
1.10 to be spent for public purposes. Appropriations of bond proceeds must be spent as  
1.11 authorized by the Minnesota Constitution, article XI, section 5, paragraph (a), to acquire  
1.12 and better public land and buildings and other public improvements of a capital nature, or  
1.13 as authorized by the Minnesota Constitution, article XI, section 5, paragraphs (b) to (j), or  
1.14 article XIV. Unless otherwise specified, the appropriations in this act are available until  
1.15 the project is completed or abandoned subject to Minnesota Statutes, section 16A.642.

1.16 Sec. 2. **ADMINISTRATION**

1.17 **Subdivision 1. Total Appropriation** **\$11,000,000**

1.18 This appropriation is from the general fund  
1.19 to the commissioner of administration for the  
1.20 purposes specified in this section.

1.21 **Subd. 2. Noncommercial Television Stations** **6,500,000**

1.22 For grants to noncommercial television  
1.23 stations to assist with the continued

2.1 conversion to a digital broadcast signal as  
 2.2 mandated by the federal government. This  
 2.3 is a onetime appropriation and must be used  
 2.4 to assist each station to complete its digital  
 2.5 production facilities and interconnect with  
 2.6 other Minnesota public television stations.  
 2.7 In order to qualify for these grants, a station  
 2.8 must meet the criteria established for grants  
 2.9 in Minnesota Statutes, section 129D.12,  
 2.10 subdivision 2.

2.11 **Subd. 3. Minnesota Public Radio** 1,000,000

2.12 For grants to assist in the conversion to a  
 2.13 digital broadcast signal. This is a onetime  
 2.14 appropriation.

2.15 **Subd. 4. AMPERS Digital Conversion** 3,500,000

2.16 For grants to the Association of Minnesota  
 2.17 Public Educational Radio Stations to assist  
 2.18 with the conversion to a digital broadcast  
 2.19 signal. This is a onetime appropriation and is  
 2.20 available until expended.

2.21 **Sec. 3. AMATEUR SPORTS COMMISSION**

2.22 **Subdivision 1. Total Appropriation** \$16,111,000

2.23 To the Amateur Sports Commission for the  
 2.24 purposes specified in this section.

2.25 **Subd. 2. National Volleyball Center** 4,000,000

2.26 For a grant to the city of Rochester to design,  
 2.27 construct, furnish, and equip the phase II  
 2.28 expansion of the National Volleyball Center  
 2.29 in Rochester, subject to Minnesota Statutes,  
 2.30 section 16A.695.

2.31 **Subd. 3. Ceylon Youth Softball Fields** 18,000

- 3.1 For a grant to the city of Ceylon to install
- 3.2 lighting fixtures and equipment on youth
- 3.3 softball fields owned by the city.
- 3.4 **Subd. 4. Hyland K70 Ski Jump** 550,000
- 3.5 For a grant to the Three Rivers Park
- 3.6 District for construction made necessary by
- 3.7 unforeseen site conditions in Phase I and
- 3.8 Phase II, primarily related to the summer
- 3.9 surface on the jump and lighting.
- 3.10 **Subd. 5. Accessible Baseball Fields** 250,000
- 3.11 For grants under Minnesota Statutes, section
- 3.12 240A.12, to acquire, predesign, design,
- 3.13 construct, furnish, and equip baseball
- 3.14 fields and facilities on which children with
- 3.15 disabilities can play baseball.
- 3.16 **Subd. 6. Badger Indoor Ice Arena** 168,000
- 3.17 For a grant to the city of Badger to construct
- 3.18 an indoor ice arena. This appropriation is not
- 3.19 available until the commissioner of finance
- 3.20 determines that at least an equal amount
- 3.21 is committed to the project from nonstate
- 3.22 sources. The city may enter into a lease or
- 3.23 management agreement for the operation
- 3.24 of the arena, subject to Minnesota Statutes,
- 3.25 section 16A.695.
- 3.26 **Subd. 7. Northwestern Minnesota Regional**
- 3.27 **Sports Center** \$4,000,000
- 3.28 For a grant to the city of Moorhead to
- 3.29 design, construct, furnish, and equip the
- 3.30 Northwestern Minnesota Regional Sports
- 3.31 Center.
- 3.32 This appropriation is not available until the
- 3.33 commissioner has determined that at least
- 3.34 an equal amount has been committed to the

4.1	<u>project from nonstate sources. The match</u>	
4.2	<u>may include in-kind contributions, and may</u>	
4.3	<u>include contributions made since January 1,</u>	
4.4	<u>2007.</u>	
4.5	<b><u>Subd. 8. Public Ice Facilities</u></b>	<u>5,000,000</u>
4.6	<u>For grants to local units of government</u>	
4.7	<u>for the purpose of constructing public ice</u>	
4.8	<u>facilities under Minnesota Statutes, sections</u>	
4.9	<u>240A.09 and 240A.10.</u>	
4.10	<b><u>Subd. 9. Southwest Regional Amateur Sports</u></b>	
4.11	<b><u>Facility</u></b>	<u>100,000</u>
4.12	<u>For a grant to the city of Marshall to</u>	
4.13	<u>predesign the Southwest Regional Amateur</u>	
4.14	<u>Sports Facility.</u>	
4.15	<b><u>Subd. 10. Metro North Regional Sports Facility</u></b>	<u>125,000</u>
4.16	<u>To predesign the renovation of Building 189</u>	
4.17	<u>located within the Rice Creek Corridor in</u>	
4.18	<u>Ramsey County, formerly the Twin Cities</u>	
4.19	<u>Army Ammunition Plant, to serve as a</u>	
4.20	<u>regional, multi-use recreational amateur</u>	
4.21	<u>sports facility, to be known as the Metro</u>	
4.22	<u>North Regional Sports Facility.</u>	
4.23	<b><u>Subd. 11. Hallock Ice Arena</u></b>	<u>150,000</u>
4.24	<u>For a grant to Kittson Central School District,</u>	
4.25	<u>No. 2171, to predesign, design, construct,</u>	
4.26	<u>furnish, and equip renovations of the Hallock</u>	
4.27	<u>Ice Arena. This appropriation is not available</u>	
4.28	<u>until the commissioner of finance determines</u>	
4.29	<u>that at least an equal amount has been</u>	
4.30	<u>committed to the project from nonstate</u>	
4.31	<u>sources, including in-kind contributions.</u>	
4.32	<b><u>Subd. 12. National Sports Center</u></b>	<u>1,500,000</u>

5.1 For asset preservation at the National Sports  
 5.2 Center to be spent in accordance with section  
 5.3 16B.307.

5.4 **Subd. 13. St. Paul Regional Amateur Sports**  
 5.5 **Facility** 250,000

5.6 For a grant to the city of St. Paul to predesign  
 5.7 the St. Paul Regional Amateur Sports  
 5.8 Facility. The St. Paul facility may include,  
 5.9 but is not limited to, facilities for the sports  
 5.10 of soccer, lacrosse, football, and baseball.

5.11 **Sec. 4. EMPLOYMENT AND ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT**

5.12 **Subdivision 1. Lake Superior Zoo** \$2,180,000

5.13 To the commissioner of employment and  
 5.14 economic development for a grant to the city  
 5.15 of Duluth to predesign, design, construct,  
 5.16 furnish and equip an expanded polar bear  
 5.17 exhibit at the Lake Superior Zoo in the city  
 5.18 of Duluth. This appropriation is not available  
 5.19 until the commissioner of finance determines  
 5.20 that at least an equal amount is committed to  
 5.21 the project from nonstate sources.

5.22 **Sec. 5. EXPLORE MINNESOTA TOURISM**

5.23 **Subdivision 1. Lake Superior Mississippi**  
 5.24 **Railroad** \$450,000

5.25 To the director of Explore Minnesota  
 5.26 Tourism for a grant to the Duluth Economic  
 5.27 Development Authority to purchase and  
 5.28 install railroad ties to improve the Lake  
 5.29 Superior Mississippi Railroad scenic railway  
 5.30 along St. Louis Bay in the city of Duluth.

5.31 **Sec. 6. MINNESOTA HISTORICAL**  
 5.32 **SOCIETY**

5.33 **Subdivision 1. Total Appropriation** **\$ 38,349,500**

6.1	<u>Bond Proceeds Fund</u>	<u>37,612,000</u>
6.2	<u>General Fund</u>	<u>737,500</u>
6.3	<u>To the Minnesota Historical Society for the</u>	
6.4	<u>purposes specified in this section.</u>	
6.5	<b><u>Subd. 2. Historic Sites Asset Preservation</u></b>	<u>7,349,000</u>
6.6	<u>For capital improvements and betterments</u>	
6.7	<u>at state historic sites, buildings, landscaping</u>	
6.8	<u>at historic buildings, exhibits, markers, and</u>	
6.9	<u>monuments, to be spent in accordance with</u>	
6.10	<u>Minnesota Statutes, section 16B.307. The</u>	
6.11	<u>society shall determine project priorities as</u>	
6.12	<u>appropriate based on need.</u>	
6.13	<b><u>Subd. 3. Minnesota Agricultural Interpretive</u></b>	
6.14	<b><u>Center</u></b>	<u>500,000</u>
6.15	<u>This appropriation is from the general fund in</u>	
6.16	<u>fiscal year 2009 to the Minnesota Historical</u>	
6.17	<u>Society for structural improvements and</u>	
6.18	<u>interpretive exhibits at the Minnesota</u>	
6.19	<u>Agricultural Interpretive Center in Waseca.</u>	
6.20	<u>This is a onetime appropriation.</u>	
6.21	<b><u>Subd. 4. Oliver H. Kelley Farm Historic Site</u></b>	<u>1,500,000</u>
6.22	<u>For predesign and design for the revitalization</u>	
6.23	<u>of the Oliver H. Kelley Farm Historic Site.</u>	
6.24	<u>Any unexpended funds may be used for the</u>	
6.25	<u>construction of visitor amenities including</u>	
6.26	<u>restroom and picnic facilities.</u>	
6.27	<b><u>Subd. 5. Hinckley Fire Museum</u></b>	<u>40,000</u>
6.28	<u>For a grant to the city of Hinckley to</u>	
6.29	<u>repair and restore the Hinckley Fire State</u>	
6.30	<u>Monument.</u>	
6.31	<b><u>Subd. 6. Heritage Trails</u></b>	<u>894,000</u>
6.32	<u>For heritage trails at historic sites statewide.</u>	
6.33	<b><u>Subd. 7. Wells Depot</u></b>	<u>30,000</u>

7.1 For a grant to the city of Wells for predesign  
 7.2 of the renovation of the historical Wells  
 7.3 Train Depot. This appropriation is available  
 7.4 until the project is completed or abandoned,  
 7.5 subject to Minnesota Statutes, section  
 7.6 16A.642.

7.7 **Subd. 8. Historic Fort Snelling** 24,799,000

7.8 To design, construct, furnish, and equip a  
 7.9 modern visitor center, to realign pedestrian  
 7.10 and vehicle routes, to restore and renovate  
 7.11 buildings and structures, and for other  
 7.12 capital improvement projects at historic Fort  
 7.13 Snelling.

7.14 **Subd. 9. Kensington Area Historical Society** 237,500

7.15 This appropriation is from the general fund in  
 7.16 fiscal year 2009 for a grant to the Kensington  
 7.17 Area Historical Society for development  
 7.18 and operation of a museum and heritage  
 7.19 center chronicling the history of the city of  
 7.20 Kensington, its people, and the Kensington  
 7.21 Runestone. This appropriation is not  
 7.22 available until the commissioner of finance  
 7.23 determines that at least an equal amount  
 7.24 is committed to the project from nonstate  
 7.25 sources. This is a onetime appropriation and  
 7.26 is available until expended.

7.27 **Subd. 10. Southeastern Minnesota Flood Area;**  
 7.28 **Historic Preservation Grants** 1,000,000

7.29 For grants for historical preservation work  
 7.30 in the flood damaged area of southeastern  
 7.31 Minnesota. Specifically, this appropriation is  
 7.32 for grants to the city of Hokah to renovate  
 7.33 the Hokah City Hall building; the Houston  
 7.34 County Historical Society to renovate  
 7.35 existing space and to predesign, design, and

8.1 construct an addition to the Houston County  
 8.2 Historical Society building located in the  
 8.3 city of Caledonia; and the city of Chatfield  
 8.4 to predesign, design, construct, furnish, and  
 8.5 equip a community center that will, among  
 8.6 other uses, house the Chatfield Brass Band  
 8.7 Music Lending Library.

8.8 **Subd. 11. Historic Preservation Grants** 2,000,000

8.9 For allocation to county and local  
 8.10 jurisdictions as matching money for historic  
 8.11 preservation projects of a capital nature.  
 8.12 Grant recipients must be public entities and  
 8.13 must match state funds on at least an equal  
 8.14 basis.

8.15 **Sec. 7. INDIAN AFFAIRS COUNCIL**

8.16 **Subdivision 1. Becker County Indian Burial**  
 8.17 **Site** \$80,000

8.18 To the Indian Affairs Council for the  
 8.19 acquisition of an Indian burial site in Becker  
 8.20 County containing historic remains that are  
 8.21 at least 4,600 years old.

8.22 **Sec. 8. METROPOLITAN COUNCIL**

8.23 **Subdivision 1. Como Zoo Infrastructure** \$11,000,000

8.24 To the Metropolitan Council for a grant to  
 8.25 the city of St. Paul to predesign, design,  
 8.26 construct, furnish, equip, and redevelop  
 8.27 infrastructure at the Como Zoo.

8.28 **Sec. 9. MINNESOTA ZOOLOGICAL**  
 8.29 **GARDEN**

8.30 **Subdivision 1. Total Appropriation** **\$ 20,000,000**

8.31 To the Minnesota Zoological Garden for the  
 8.32 purposes in this section.

9.1 Subd. 2. **Asset Preservation** 15,000,000

9.2 For capital asset preservation improvements  
9.3 and betterments, to be spent in accordance  
9.4 with Minnesota Statutes, section 16A.632.

9.5 Subd. 3. **Master Plan** 5,000,000

9.6 For planning to implement the zoo's Master  
9.7 Plan.

9.8 **Sec. 10. BOND SALE AUTHORIZATION.**

9.9 To provide the money appropriated in this act from the bond proceeds fund, the  
9.10 commissioner of finance shall sell and issue bonds of the state in an amount up to  
9.11 \$87,432,750 in the manner, upon the terms, and with the effect prescribed by Minnesota  
9.12 Statutes, sections 16A.631 to 16A.675, and by the Minnesota Constitution, article XI,  
9.13 sections 4 to 7.

9.14 **Sec. 11. EFFECTIVE DATE.**

9.15 Except as otherwise provided, this act is effective the day following final enactment.