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The bill was read for the first time and referred to the Committee on Finance

1.1 A bill for an act  
1.2 relating to capital improvements; authorizing the issuance of state bonds;  
1.3 appropriating money for a state museum of natural history.

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

1.5 Section 1. **APPROPRIATION; UNIVERSITY OF MINNESOTA.**

1.6 \$24,000,000 is appropriated from the bond proceeds fund to the University of  
1.7 Minnesota to prepare a site for and construct, furnish, and equip a new state museum  
1.8 of natural history on the St. Paul campus of the University of Minnesota in the city of  
1.9 Falcon Heights. This appropriation must be matched by at least \$12,000,000 from other  
1.10 sources, public or private.

1.11 Sec. 2. **APPROPRIATION; DEPARTMENT OF NATURAL RESOURCES.**

1.12 \$4,000,000 is appropriated from the bond proceeds fund to the commissioner of  
1.13 natural resources to design and construct an environmental landscape for a new state  
1.14 museum of natural history on the St. Paul campus of the University of Minnesota in  
1.15 the city of Falcon Heights.

1.16 Sec. 3. **BOND AUTHORIZATION.**

1.17 To provide the money appropriated in this act from the bond proceeds fund, the  
1.18 commissioner of finance shall sell and issue bonds of the state in an amount up to  
1.19 \$28,000,000 in the manner, upon the terms, and with the effect prescribed by Minnesota  
1.20 Statutes, sections 16A.631 to 16A.675, and by the Minnesota Constitution, article XI,  
1.21 sections 4 to 7.

2.1       Sec. 4. **EFFECTIVE DATE.**

2.2       Sections 1 to 3 are effective the day following final enactment.