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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; appropriating money for grave markers or
1.3 memorial monuments for deceased residents of state hospitals or regional
1.4 treatment centers; authorizing the sale and issuance of state bonds.

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

1.6 Section 1. **APPROPRIATION.**

1.7 \$2,160,000 is appropriated from the bond proceeds fund to the commissioner of
1.8 human services for grants for grave markers or memorial monuments for unmarked graves
1.9 of deceased residents of state hospitals or regional treatment centers.

1.10 The grants are for improvements and betterments of a capital nature to state hospital
1.11 or regional treatment cemeteries to design, purchase, and place individual cemetery grave
1.12 markers or memorial monuments for persons who were residents of state hospitals or
1.13 regional treatment centers and buried in numbered or unmarked graves. A grantee must
1.14 collaborate with community groups and state and local government agencies to build
1.15 community involvement, build public awareness, ensure public access to the graves, and
1.16 ensure appropriate perpetual maintenance of state cemeteries.

1.17 Sec. 2. **BOND SALE.**

1.18 To provide the money appropriated in section 1 from the bond proceeds fund,
1.19 the commissioner of finance shall sell and issue bonds of the state in an amount up to
1.20 \$2,160,000 in the manner, upon the terms, and with the effect prescribed by Minnesota
1.21 Statutes, sections 16A.631 to 16A.675, and by the Minnesota Constitution, article XI,
1.22 sections 4 to 7.

2.1 Sec. 3. **EFFECTIVE DATE.**

2.2 Sections 1 and 2 are effective the day following final enactment.