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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 issuance of state bonds;
1.3 appropriating money to the commissioner of natural resources for easement
1.4 acquisition on private forest lands.

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

1.6 Section 1. **APPROPRIATION.**

1.7 \$30,000,000 is appropriated from the bond proceeds fund to the commissioner
1.8 of natural resources to acquire conservation easements as described under Minnesota
1.9 Statutes, chapter 84C, on private forest lands to protect working-forest lands, public
1.10 recreation, and native animal and plant species that require large blocks of forest.

1.11 Sec. 2. **BOND SALE.**

1.12 To provide the money appropriated in section 1 from the bond proceeds fund,
1.13 the commissioner of finance shall sell and issue bonds of the state in an amount up to
1.14 \$30,000,000 in the manner, on the terms, and with the effect prescribed by Minnesota
1.15 Statutes, sections 16A.631 to 16A.675, and by the Minnesota Constitution, article XI,
1.16 sections 4 to 7.

1.17 Sec. 3. **EFFECTIVE DATE.**

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