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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 to commissioner of  
1.3 transportation for grant to city of St. Paul for planning enhancements connected  
1.4 to Warner Road bridge improvements; authorizing sale of state transportation  
1.5 bonds.

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

1.7 Section 1. **WARNER ROAD BRIDGE; APPROPRIATION, BONDING.**

1.8 Subdivision 1. **Appropriation.** \$250,000 is appropriated from the transportation  
1.9 fund to the commissioner of transportation to the city of St. Paul for preliminary  
1.10 engineering and design work to enhance the Warner Road bridge project, including the  
1.11 1.2-mile section of Warner Road west of Highway 61, scheduled for improvements in  
1.12 2010. These enhancements include, but are not limited to:

1.13 (1) the interconnection of five park access points at Battle Creek Park, Pig's Eye  
1.14 Lake, Mounds Park, Bruce Vento Nature Sanctuary, and Riverfront Park;

1.15 (2) providing greater access for bicyclists and pedestrians and amenities to enhance  
1.16 the connection with the National Great River Park; and

1.17 (3) expanding access to the riverfront, creating safer connections for bicyclists and  
1.18 pedestrians, and adding amenities consistent with designs for the National Great River  
1.19 Park.

1.20 Subd. 2. **Bond sale.** To provide the money appropriated in this section from the  
1.21 transportation fund, the commissioner of finance shall sell and issue bonds of the state in  
1.22 an amount up to \$250,000 in the manner, upon the terms, and with the effect prescribed  
1.23 by Minnesota Statutes, sections 16A.631 to 16A.675, 174.50, and 174.51, and by the  
1.24 Minnesota Constitution, article XI, sections 4 to 7.

2.1 **EFFECTIVE DATE.** This section is effective the day following final enactment.