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The bill was read for the first time and referred to the Committee on Mining and Outdoor Recreation Policy

03/31/2016 Adoption of Report: Re-referred to the Committee on Environment and Natural Resources Policy and Finance

1.1 A bill for an act
1.2 relating to capital investment; appropriating money for state parks, recreation
1.3 areas, and trails rehabilitation; authorizing the sale and issuance of state bonds.
1.4 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF MINNESOTA:

1.5 Section 1. **STATE PARK, RECREATION AREA, AND TRAIL**
1.6 **REHABILITATION.**

1.7 Subdivision 1. Asset preservation statewide. \$40,000,000 is appropriated from the
1.8 bond proceeds fund to the commissioner of natural resources for natural resources asset
1.9 preservation and replacement under Minnesota Statutes, section 84.946, for state parks
1.10 established under Minnesota Statutes, section 85.012, state recreation areas established
1.11 under Minnesota Statutes, section 85.013, and state trails established under Minnesota
1.12 Statutes, section 85.015.

1.13 Subd. 2. Itasca State Park renovations. \$10,000,000 is appropriated from the
1.14 bond proceeds fund to the commissioner of natural resources to renovate Itasca State
1.15 Park. The renovation may include: reforestation; relocation, replacement, rehabilitation,
1.16 and upgrading of infrastructure, including roads and parking areas, walkways, bicycle
1.17 paths, water, sewer, storm water, and utilities; ADA and other code compliance and safety
1.18 related improvements; renovation and restoration of buildings; a new dock system; and
1.19 installation of renewable energy systems for the park to offset the energy use of the park.

1.20 Subd. 3. State park campground renovations. \$7,000,000 is appropriated from
1.21 the bond proceeds fund to the commissioner of natural resources to renovate state park
1.22 campgrounds statewide. This appropriation may be used for the following types of
1.23 projects: replace and upgrade shower and toilet buildings to address ADA, code, and

2.1 safety issues; upgrade substandard electrical service, water, and wastewater utilities;
2.2 upgrade sidewalks and parking to meet accessibility code; redesign campground layouts
2.3 to comply with current storm water management best practices and regulations; repave
2.4 campground roads; lengthen campground spurs to accommodate modern vehicles while
2.5 still ensuring adequate screening between sites; and update building lighting and heating
2.6 systems with low energy technologies.

2.7 Subd. 4. **Prairie restoration.** \$500,000 is appropriated from the bond proceeds
2.8 fund to the commissioner of natural resources to continue prairie restoration projects
2.9 in state parks, state recreation areas, and along state trails. The appropriation includes
2.10 funding for projects in the following state parks: Glacial Lakes, Lake Bronson, Big Stone
2.11 Lake, Blue Mounds, Camden, Sibley, and Upper Sioux Agency.

2.12 Subd. 5. **Bond sale.** To provide the money appropriated in this section from the
2.13 bond proceeds fund, the commissioner of management and budget shall sell and issue
2.14 bonds of the state in an amount up to \$57,500,000 in the manner, upon the terms, and with
2.15 the effect prescribed by Minnesota Statutes, sections 16A.631 to 16A.675, and by the
2.16 Minnesota Constitution, article XI, sections 4 to 7.

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