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State of Minnesota HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

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H. F. No. 4127

02/22/2024 Authored by Burkel and Petersburg
03/25/2024 The bill was read for the first time and referred to the Committee on Capital Investment
By motion, recalled and re-referred to the Committee on Transportation Finance and Policy

1.1 A bill for an act
1.2 relating to capital investment; modifying prior appropriations and appropriating
1.3 money for the Karlstad airport relocation; amending Laws 2021, First Special
1.4 Session chapter 5, article 1, section 2, subdivision 2; Laws 2023, chapter 71, article
1.5 1, section 10, subdivision 11.

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

1.7 Section 1. Laws 2021, First Special Session chapter 5, article 1, section 2, subdivision 2,
1.8 is amended to read:

1.9 Subd. 2. Multimodal Systems

1.10 (a) Aeronautics

1.11 (1) Airport Development and Assistance 24,198,000 18,598,000

1.12 Appropriations by Fund

Table with 3 columns: Description, 2022, 2023. Rows include General (5,600,000, -0-) and Airports (18,598,000, 18,598,000).

1.16 This appropriation is from the state airports
1.17 fund and must be spent according to
1.18 Minnesota Statutes, section 360.305,
1.19 subdivision 4.

1.20 \$5,600,000 in fiscal year 2022 is from the
1.21 general fund for a grant to the city of Karlstad
1.22 for the acquisition of land, predesign, design,
1.23 engineering, and construction of a primary

2.1 airport runway. This appropriation is for Phase
 2.2 1 of the project.

2.3 Notwithstanding Minnesota Statutes, section
 2.4 16A.28, subdivision 6, this appropriation is
 2.5 available for five years after the year of the
 2.6 appropriation. If the appropriation for either
 2.7 year is insufficient, the appropriation for the
 2.8 other year is available for it.

2.9 If the commissioner of transportation
 2.10 determines that a balance remains in the state
 2.11 airports fund following the appropriations
 2.12 made in this article and that the appropriations
 2.13 made are insufficient for advancing airport
 2.14 development and assistance projects, an
 2.15 amount necessary to advance the projects, not
 2.16 to exceed the balance in the state airports fund,
 2.17 is appropriated in each year to the
 2.18 commissioner and must be spent according to
 2.19 Minnesota Statutes, section 360.305,
 2.20 subdivision 4. Within two weeks of a
 2.21 determination under this contingent
 2.22 appropriation, the commissioner of
 2.23 transportation must notify the commissioner
 2.24 of management and budget and the chairs,
 2.25 ranking minority members, and staff of the
 2.26 legislative committees with jurisdiction over
 2.27 transportation finance concerning the funds
 2.28 appropriated. Funds appropriated under this
 2.29 contingent appropriation do not adjust the base
 2.30 for fiscal years 2024 and 2025.

2.31 **(2) Aviation Support Services** 8,332,000 8,340,000

2.32	Appropriations by Fund		
2.33		2022	2023
2.34	General	1,650,000	1,650,000
2.35	Airports	6,682,000	6,690,000

3.1 \$28,000 in fiscal year 2022 and \$36,000 in
 3.2 fiscal year 2023 are from the state airports
 3.3 fund for costs related to regulating unmanned
 3.4 aircraft systems.

3.5 **(3) Civil Air Patrol** 80,000 80,000

3.6 This appropriation is from the state airports
 3.7 fund for the Civil Air Patrol.

3.8 **(b) Transit and Active Transportation** 23,501,000 18,201,000

3.9 This appropriation is from the general fund.

3.10 \$5,000,000 in fiscal year 2022 is for the active
 3.11 transportation program under Minnesota
 3.12 Statutes, section 174.38. This is a onetime
 3.13 appropriation and is available until June 30,
 3.14 2025.

3.15 \$300,000 in fiscal year 2022 is for a grant to
 3.16 the 494 Corridor Commission. The
 3.17 commissioner must not retain any portion of
 3.18 the funds appropriated under this section. The
 3.19 commissioner must make grant payments in
 3.20 full by December 31, 2021. Funds under this
 3.21 grant are for programming and service
 3.22 expansion to assist companies and commuters
 3.23 in telecommuting efforts and promotion of
 3.24 best practices. A grant recipient must provide
 3.25 telework resources, assistance, information,
 3.26 and related activities on a statewide basis. This
 3.27 is a onetime appropriation.

3.28 **(c) Safe Routes to School** 5,500,000 500,000

3.29 This appropriation is from the general fund
 3.30 for the safe routes to school program under
 3.31 Minnesota Statutes, section 174.40.

4.1 If the appropriation for either year is
 4.2 insufficient, the appropriation for the other
 4.3 year is available for it.

4.4 **(d) Passenger Rail** 10,500,000 500,000

4.5 This appropriation is from the general fund
 4.6 for passenger rail activities under Minnesota
 4.7 Statutes, sections 174.632 to 174.636.

4.8 \$10,000,000 in fiscal year 2022 is for final
 4.9 design and construction to provide for a
 4.10 second daily Amtrak train service between
 4.11 Minneapolis and St. Paul and Chicago. The
 4.12 commissioner may expend funds for program
 4.13 delivery and administration from this amount.

4.14 This is a onetime appropriation and is
 4.15 available until June 30, 2025.

4.16 **(e) Freight** 8,342,000 7,323,000

4.17	Appropriations by Fund		
4.18		2022	2023
4.19	General	2,464,000	1,445,000
4.20	Trunk Highway	5,878,000	5,878,000

4.21 \$1,000,000 in fiscal year 2022 is from the
 4.22 general fund for procurement costs of a
 4.23 statewide freight network optimization tool.

4.24 This is a onetime appropriation and is
 4.25 available until June 30, 2023.

4.26 \$350,000 in fiscal year 2022 and \$287,000 in
 4.27 fiscal year 2023 are from the general fund for
 4.28 two additional rail safety inspectors in the state
 4.29 rail safety inspection program under
 4.30 Minnesota Statutes, section 219.015. In each
 4.31 year, the commissioner must not increase the
 4.32 total assessment amount under Minnesota
 4.33 Statutes, section 219.015, subdivision 2, from
 4.34 the most recent assessment amount.

5.1 Sec. 2. Laws 2023, chapter 71, article 1, section 10, subdivision 11, is amended to read:

5.2 Subd. 11. **Karlstad; Airport Runway** 3,900,000

5.3 For a grant to the city of Karlstad for the
 5.4 acquisition of land, predesign, design,
 5.5 engineering, and construction of a primary
 5.6 airport runway. This appropriation is for Phase
 5.7 2 of the project and is in addition to the
 5.8 appropriation for the same purposes in Laws
 5.9 2021, First Special Session chapter 5, article
 5.10 1, section 2, subdivision 2.

5.11 Sec. 3. **KARLSTAD; AIRPORT RUNWAY.**

5.12 Subdivision 1. **Appropriation.** \$7,700,000 is appropriated from the bond proceeds fund
 5.13 to the commissioner of transportation for a grant to the city of Karlstad for the acquisition
 5.14 of land, predesign, design, engineering, and construction of a primary airport runway. This
 5.15 appropriation is for Phase 3 of the project and includes money for runway lighting, taxiway
 5.16 and taxiway lighting, a parking apron, necessary utilities, an aviation fueling system, access
 5.17 drive and parking, and any nav aids or other facilities as required for Department of
 5.18 Transportation Aeronautics airport licensure. This appropriation is in addition to the
 5.19 appropriation for the same purposes in Laws 2021, First Special Session chapter 5, article
 5.20 1, section 2, subdivision 2, and Laws 2023, chapter 71, article 1, section 10, subdivision
 5.21 11.

5.22 Subd. 2. **Bond sale.** To provide the money appropriated in this section from the bond
 5.23 proceeds fund, the commissioner of management and budget shall sell and issue bonds of
 5.24 the state in an amount up to \$7,700,000 in the manner, upon the terms, and with the effect
 5.25 prescribed by Minnesota Statutes, sections 16A.631 to 16A.675, and by the Minnesota
 5.26 Constitution, article XI, sections 4 to 7.

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