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HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

NINETIETH SESSION

H. F. No. 837

- 02/06/2017 Authored by Torkelson, Peterson and Lueck
- The bill was read for the first time and referred to the Committee on Transportation Finance
- 02/20/2017 Adoption of Report: Re-referred to the Committee on Ways and Means
- 03/13/2017 Adoption of Report: Placed on the General Register as Amended
- Read for the Second Time

1.1 A bill for an act

1.2 relating to transportation finance; modifying an appropriation for state road

1.3 construction; amending Laws 2015, chapter 75, article 1, section 3, subdivision 3.

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

1.5 Section 1. Laws 2015, chapter 75, article 1, section 3, subdivision 3, is amended to read:

1.6 Subd. 3. **State Roads**

1.7	(a) Operations and Maintenance	288,405,000	290,916,000
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1.8 The base appropriation in fiscal year 2018 is

1.9 \$292,140,000 and in fiscal year 2019 is

1.10 \$301,545,000.

1.11	(b) Program Planning and Delivery	237,529,000	231,252,000
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1.12 \$130,000 in each year is available for

1.13 administrative costs of the targeted group

1.14 business program.

1.15 \$266,000 in each year is available for grants

1.16 to metropolitan planning organizations outside

1.17 the seven-county metropolitan area.

1.18 \$900,000 in each year is available for grants

1.19 for transportation studies outside the

1.20 metropolitan area to identify critical concerns,

1.21 problems, and issues. These grants are

1.22 available: (1) to regional development

2.1 commissions; (2) in regions where no regional
 2.2 development commission is functioning, to
 2.3 joint powers boards established under
 2.4 agreement of two or more political
 2.5 subdivisions in the region to exercise the
 2.6 planning functions of a regional development
 2.7 commission; and (3) in regions where no
 2.8 regional development commission or joint
 2.9 powers board is functioning, to the
 2.10 department's district office for that region.

2.11 \$1,000,000 in each year is available for
 2.12 management of contaminated and regulated
 2.13 material on property owned by the Department
 2.14 of Transportation, including mitigation of
 2.15 property conveyances, facility acquisition or
 2.16 expansion, chemical release at maintenance
 2.17 facilities, and spills on the trunk highway
 2.18 system where there is no known responsible
 2.19 party. If the appropriation for either year is
 2.20 insufficient, the appropriation for the other
 2.21 year is available for it.

2.22 \$6,804,000 in the first year and \$1,000,000 in
 2.23 the second year are available for the purposes
 2.24 stated in Minnesota Statutes, section 12A.16,
 2.25 subdivision 2.

2.26 The base appropriation for program planning
 2.27 and delivery in fiscal year 2018 is
 2.28 \$227,004,000 and in fiscal year 2019 is
 2.29 \$234,331,000.

2.30			<u>744,166,000</u>
2.31	(c) State Road Construction	779,664,000	<u>849,166,000</u>

2.32 This appropriation is for the actual
 2.33 construction, reconstruction, and improvement
 2.34 of trunk highways, including design-build
 2.35 contracts, internal department costs associated

3.1 with delivering the construction program, and
3.2 consultant usage to support these activities.

3.3 This includes the cost of actual payment to
3.4 landowners for lands acquired for highway
3.5 rights-of-way, payment to lessees, interest
3.6 subsidies, and relocation expenses.

3.7 This appropriation includes federal highway
3.8 aid.

3.9 \$1,000,000 in the first year is to complete
3.10 projects using funds made available to the
3.11 commissioner of transportation under title XII
3.12 of the American Recovery and Reinvestment
3.13 Act of 2009, Public Law 111-5, and
3.14 implemented under Minnesota Statutes,
3.15 section 161.36, subdivision 7.

3.16 \$10,000,000 in each year is for the
3.17 transportation economic development program
3.18 under Minnesota Statutes, section 174.12.

3.19 The commissioner may expend up to one-half
3.20 of one percent of the federal appropriations
3.21 under this paragraph as grants to opportunity
3.22 industrialization centers and other nonprofit
3.23 job training centers for job training programs
3.24 related to highway construction.

3.25 The commissioner may transfer up to
3.26 \$15,000,000 each year to the transportation
3.27 revolving loan fund.

3.28 The commissioner may receive money
3.29 covering other shares of the cost of partnership
3.30 projects. These receipts are appropriated to
3.31 the commissioner for these projects.

3.32 The base appropriation for state road
3.33 construction in each of fiscal years 2018 and
3.34 2019 is \$695,800,000.

4.1 **(d) Highway Debt Service** 197,381,000 231,199,000

4.2 \$187,881,000 the first year and \$221,699,000

4.3 the second year are for transfer to the state

4.4 bond fund. If this appropriation is insufficient

4.5 to make all transfers required in the year for

4.6 which it is made, the commissioner of

4.7 management and budget shall transfer the

4.8 deficiency amount under the statutory open

4.9 appropriation, and notify the chairs and

4.10 ranking minority members of the legislative

4.11 committees with jurisdiction over

4.12 transportation finance and the chairs of the

4.13 senate Committee on Finance and the house

4.14 of representatives Committee on Ways and

4.15 Means of the amount of the deficiency. Any

4.16 excess appropriation cancels to the trunk

4.17 highway fund.

4.18 **(e) Statewide Radio Communications** 5,358,000 5,486,000

4.19 Appropriations by Fund

	2016	2017
4.20 General	35,000	3,000
4.21 Trunk Highway	5,323,000	5,483,000

4.23 \$3,000 in each year is from the general fund

4.24 to equip and operate the Roosevelt signal

4.25 tower for Lake of the Woods weather

4.26 broadcasting.

4.27 \$32,000 in the first year is from the general

4.28 fund for a weather transmitter in Lake of the

4.29 Woods County.

4.30 The base appropriation from the trunk

4.31 highway fund in fiscal year 2018 is \$5,645,000

4.32 and in fiscal year 2019 is \$5,826,000.

4.33 **EFFECTIVE DATE.** This section is effective the day following submission by the

4.34 commissioner of transportation of all communications and materials, in their entirety and

5.1 without redaction, previously provided by the commissioner to any member of the legislature
5.2 following a request pursuant to the Minnesota Government Data Practices Act, Minnesota
5.3 Statutes, chapter 13, related to the Department of Transportation's 2016 request to the
5.4 Legislative Advisory Commission for authorization to expend federal funds under the Fixing
5.5 America's Surface Transportation Act (FAST Act). The submission must be made to the
5.6 chairs and ranking minority members of the legislative committees with jurisdiction over
5.7 transportation finance, finance, and ways and means, and to the revisor of statutes.