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State of Minnesota
HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

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H. F. No. 226

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The bill was read for the first time and referred to the Committee on Transportation Finance

1.1 A bill for an act
1.2 relating to capital improvements; transportation; authorizing spending for local
1.3 roads with statewide or regional significance and local bridges; authorizing the
1.4 sale and issuance of state bonds; appropriating money.

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

1.6 Section 1. APPROPRIATION FOR LOCAL BRIDGES.

1.7 \$20,000,000 is appropriated to the commissioner of transportation from the bond
1.8 proceeds account in the state transportation fund to match federal money and to replace
1.9 or rehabilitate local deficient bridges as provided in Minnesota Statutes, section 174.50.

1.10 To the extent practicable, the commissioner shall expend the funds as provided under
1.11 Minnesota Statutes, section 174.50, subdivisions 6c and 7, paragraph (c). Political
1.12 subdivisions may use grants made under this section to construct or reconstruct bridges,
1.13 including but not limited to:

- 1.14 (1) matching federal aid grants to construct or reconstruct key bridges;
- 1.15 (2) paying the costs of preliminary engineering and environmental studies authorized
1.16 under Minnesota Statutes, section 174.50, subdivision 6a;
- 1.17 (3) paying the costs to abandon an existing bridge that is deficient and in need of
1.18 replacement, but where no replacement will be made; and
- 1.19 (4) paying the costs to construct a road or street to facilitate the abandonment of
1.20 an existing bridge determined by the commissioner to be deficient, if the commissioner
1.21 determines that construction of the road or street is more economical than replacement of
1.22 the existing bridge.

1.23 Sec. 2. APPROPRIATION FOR ROUTES OF REGIONAL SIGNIFICANCE.

2.1 \$64,000,000 is appropriated to the commissioner of transportation from the bond
2.2 proceeds account in the state transportation fund as provided in Minnesota Statutes,
2.3 section 174.50, for construction and reconstruction of local roads with statewide or
2.4 regional significance under Minnesota Statutes, section 174.52, subdivision 4.

2.5 Sec. 3. **BOND SALE AUTHORIZATION.**

2.6 To provide the money appropriated in this act from the state transportation fund,
2.7 the commissioner of management and budget shall sell and issue bonds of the state in an
2.8 amount up to \$84,000,000 in the manner, upon the terms, and with the effect prescribed by
2.9 Minnesota Statutes, sections 16A.631 to 16A.675, and by the Minnesota Constitution,
2.10 article XI, sections 4 to 7. The proceeds of the bonds, except accrued interest and any
2.11 premium received on the sale of the bonds, must be credited to a bond proceeds account
2.12 in the state transportation fund.

2.13 Sec. 4. **EFFECTIVE DATE.**

2.14 This act is effective the day following final enactment.