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Introduction and first reading  
Referred to Capital Investment

OFFICIAL STATUS

1.1 A bill for an act  
1.2 relating to capital investment; appropriating money for a new swimming pool and  
1.3 aquatics center in the city of South St. Paul; authorizing the sale and issuance of  
1.4 state bonds.

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

1.6 Section 1. **SOUTH ST. PAUL; SWIMMING POOL AND AQUATICS CENTER.**

1.7 Subdivision 1. **Appropriation.** (a) \$6,500,000 is appropriated from the bond proceeds  
1.8 fund to the commissioner of employment and economic development for a grant to the city  
1.9 of South St. Paul for site preparation and to construct, equip, and furnish a new swimming  
1.10 pool and aquatics center.

1.11 (b) The grant under this section is exempt from the requirements under Minnesota  
1.12 Statutes, section 16B.325.

1.13 (c) The following must be incorporated into the swimming pool and aquatics center  
1.14 funded under this section:

1.15 (1) high-efficiency and low-impact lighting;

1.16 (2) native and pollinator-supporting landscaping;

1.17 (3) WaterSense certified low-flow sink and toilet plumbing features;

1.18 (4) daylighting in occupied spaces;

1.19 (5) shade features;

1.20 (6) amenities and accessibility features to enhance visitor travel to the facility by active  
1.21 transportation, as defined under Minnesota Statutes, section 174.38, subdivision 1;

2.1 (7) low-VOC materials to enhance indoor air quality; and

2.2 (8) photovoltaic-ready infrastructure.

2.3 Subd. 2. **Bond sale.** To provide the money appropriated in this section from the bond  
2.4 proceeds fund, the commissioner of management and budget shall sell and issue bonds of  
2.5 the state in an amount up to \$6,500,000 in the manner, upon the terms, and with the effect  
2.6 prescribed by Minnesota Statutes, sections 16A.631 to 16A.675, and by the Minnesota  
2.7 Constitution, article XI, sections 4 to 7.

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