A bill for an act

relating to capital investment; appropriating money for the city of St. Paul regional ballpark; authorizing the city to use design-build or construction manager at-risk method of project delivery; authorizing the sale and issuance of state bonds.

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

Section 1. **CITY OF ST. PAUL REGIONAL BALLPARK.**

Subdivision 1. **Appropriation.** (a) $27,000,000 is appropriated from the bond proceeds fund to the commissioner of employment and economic development for a grant to the city of St. Paul to prepare a site for and to predesign, design, construct, furnish, and equip a regional ballpark and related public infrastructure in the city of St. Paul. This appropriation is not available until the commissioner has determined that at least an equal amount has been committed to the project from nonstate sources.

(b) The regional ballpark and related public infrastructure shall not be considered state bond financed property. This grant must be evidenced by a grant agreement that specifies how the general obligation grant will be used; the governmental program that will be operated; and that the program will be operated in compliance with this subdivision and all applicable state and federal laws and in a manner that will not cause the interest on the state general obligation bonds to be or become subject to federal income taxation for any reason. The grant agreement may contain other terms consistent with this subdivision and deemed appropriate by the commissioner of employment and economic development and the commissioner of management and budget.

(c) The city may employ or contract with persons, firms, or corporations to perform one or more or all of the functions of architect, engineer, or construction manager with

respect to all or any part of the regional ballpark and related public infrastructure. The city may deliver the project through either a design-build or construction manager at-risk method. Alternatively, at the request of a minor league baseball team, and with the consent of the city, the city may authorize the team to provide for the design and construction for the ballpark and related public infrastructure, subject to the terms of this subdivision. To the extent practicable and at the discretion of the city, the city may have such rights and exercise such powers, with respect to the acquisition, construction, use, and operation of the regional ballpark, as are granted to the Minnesota Ballpark Authority under Minnesota Statutes, section 473.756. No consent or approval of another political subdivision is required for the effectiveness or the exercise by the city of such rights or powers.

Subd. 2. **Bond sale.** To provide the money appropriated in this section from the bond proceeds fund, the commissioner of management and budget shall sell and issue bonds of the state in an amount up to $27,000,000 in the manner, upon the terms, and with the effect prescribed by Minnesota Statutes, sections 16A.631 to 16A.675, and by the Minnesota Constitution, article XI, sections 4 to 7.

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