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

1.1 A bill for an act

relating to capital investment; appropriating money for reconstruction of marked U.S. Highway 8; authorizing the sale and issuance of state bonds.

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

Section 1. MARKED U.S. HIGHWAY 8 RECONSTRUCTION; APPROPRIATION AND BOND SALE AUTHORIZATION.

Subdivision 1. Appropriation. \$10,000,000 is appropriated from the bond proceeds account in the state transportation fund to the commissioner of transportation for a grant to Chisago County to predesign, design, engineer, and construct a reconstruction of marked U.S. Highway 8 from Karmel Avenue in Chisago City to Interstate 35 and pedestrian and bike trails along and crossings of this portion of U.S. Highway 8. This reconstruction may include expanding segments of U.S. Highway 8 to four lanes, constructing or reconstructing frontage roads and backage roads, and realigning local roads to consolidate, remove, and relocate access onto and off of U.S. Highway 8. This appropriation is for the portion of the project that is eligible for use of proceeds of general obligation bonds. This appropriation is not available until the commissioner of management and budget determines that sufficient resources have been committed from nonstate sources to complete the project.

Subd. 2. **Bond sale.** To provide the money appropriated in subdivision 1 from the bond proceeds account in the state transportation fund, the commissioner of management and budget shall sell and issue bonds of the state in an amount up to \$10,000,000 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.

Section 1.

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Subd. 3. Appropriation. \$15,000,000 is appropriated from the general fund to the
commissioner of transportation for a grant to Chisago County to acquire property, predesign,
design, construct, and engineer the reconstruction of marked U.S. Highway 8 from Karmel
Avenue in Chisago City to Interstate 35. This reconstruction may include expanding segments
of U.S. Highway 8 to four lanes, constructing or reconstructing frontage roads and backage
roads, and realigning local roads to consolidate, remove, and relocate access onto and off
of U.S. Highway 8. This appropriation is not available until the commissioner of management
and budget determines that sufficient resources have been committed from nonstate sources
to complete the project. This is a onetime appropriation and is available until the project is
completed or abandoned, subject to Minnesota Statutes, section 16A.642.
Subd. 4. Marked U.S. Highway 8 reconstruction; application of planned
spending. Amounts planned by the Department of Transportation for the resurfacing of
U.S. Highway 8, as reflected in the department's Metro District 10-Year Capital Highway
Investment Plan 2020-2029, shall instead be applied to the reconstruction of U.S. Highway

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

8 to supplement appropriations for that purpose from any fund in this section.

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