CHAPTER 14--H.F.No. 837

An act relating to transportation finance; modifying an appropriation for state road construction; amending Laws 2015, chapter 75, article 1, section 3, subdivision 3.

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

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

Subd. 3. **State Roads**

(a) **Operations and Maintenance**	288,405,000	290,916,000
The base appropriation in fiscal year 2018 is $292,140,000 and in fiscal year 2019 is $301,545,000.		
(b) **Program Planning and Delivery**	237,529,000	231,252,000
$130,000 in each year is available for administrative costs of the targeted group business program.		
$266,000 in each year is available for grants to metropolitan planning organizations outside the seven-county metropolitan area.		
$900,000 in each year is available for grants for transportation studies outside the metropolitan area to identify critical concerns, problems, and issues. These grants are available: (1) to regional development commissions; (2) in regions where no regional development commission is functioning, to joint powers boards established under agreement of two or more political subdivisions in the region to exercise the planning functions of a regional development commission; and (3) in regions where no regional development commission or joint powers board is functioning, to the department's district office for that region.		
$1,000,000 in each year is available for management of contaminated and regulated material on property owned by the Department of Transportation, including mitigation of property conveyances, facility acquisition or expansion, chemical release at maintenance facilities, and spills on the trunk highway system where there is no known responsible party. If the appropriation		

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for either year is insufficient, the appropriation for the other year is available for it.

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

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

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(c) **State Road Construction**	779,664,000	849,166,000

This appropriation is for the actual construction, reconstruction, and improvement of trunk highways, including design-build contracts, internal department costs associated with delivering the construction program, and consultant usage to support these activities. This includes the cost of actual payment to landowners for lands acquired for highway rights-of-way, payment to lessees, interest subsidies, and relocation expenses.

This appropriation includes federal highway aid.

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

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

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

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

The commissioner may receive money covering other shares of the cost of partnership projects.

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These receipts are appropriated to the commissioner for these projects.

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

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

$187,881,000 the first year and $221,699,000 the second year are for transfer to the state bond fund. If this appropriation is insufficient to make all transfers required in the year for which it is made, the commissioner of management and budget shall transfer the deficiency amount under the statutory open appropriation, and notify the chairs and ranking minority members of the legislative committees with jurisdiction over transportation finance and the chairs of the senate Committee on Finance and the house of representatives Committee on Ways and Means of the amount of the deficiency. Any excess appropriation cancels to the trunk highway fund.

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

Appropriations by Fund		
	2016	2017
General	35,000	3,000
Trunk Highway	5,323,000	5,483,000

$3,000 in each year is from the general fund to equip and operate the Roosevelt signal tower for Lake of the Woods weather broadcasting.

$32,000 in the first year is from the general fund for a weather transmitter in Lake of the Woods County.

The base appropriation from the trunk highway fund in fiscal year 2018 is $5,645,000 and in fiscal year 2019 is $5,826,000.

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

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