

**SENATE  
STATE OF MINNESOTA  
NINETY-FOURTH SESSION**

**S.F. No. 331**

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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 capital improvements at  
1.3 the Duluth Entertainment and Convention Center; authorizing the sale and issuance  
1.4 of state bonds.

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

1.6 Section 1. **DULUTH ENTERTAINMENT AND CONVENTION CENTER (DECC).**

1.7 Subdivision 1. **Appropriation.** \$7,000,000 is appropriated from the bond proceeds fund  
1.8 to the commissioner of employment and economic development for a grant to the Duluth  
1.9 Entertainment and Convention Center Authority to predesign, design, construct, renovate,  
1.10 furnish, and equip improvements and betterments of a capital nature at the Duluth  
1.11 Entertainment and Convention Center facility. This appropriation includes money for elevator  
1.12 and escalator improvements; energy efficiency upgrades, including victaulic fitting  
1.13 replacements; Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA) compliance improvements, seat  
1.14 replacement, and flooring upgrades in Symphony Hall; sound wall and room divider  
1.15 replacement in Pioneer Hall and Paulucci Hall; fire door replacements in Fitzgerald Hall  
1.16 and Amsoil Arena; emergency door replacements in Pioneer Hall; and parking lot repairs.  
1.17 This appropriation is exempt from the requirements under Minnesota Statutes, section  
1.18 16A.86, subdivision 4.

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

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