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STATE OF MINNESOTA
NINETY-THIRD SESSION**

S.F. No. 2626

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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 Great Lakes Aquarium in the city of Duluth.

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

1.5 Section 1. **APPROPRIATION; GREAT LAKES AQUARIUM.**

1.6 \$962,000 in fiscal year 2024 is appropriated from the general fund to the commissioner
1.7 of employment and economic development for a grant to the Lake Superior Center Authority
1.8 to predesign, design, construct, and renovate improvements and betterments of a capital
1.9 nature at the Great Lakes Aquarium. This appropriation includes money for major projects
1.10 to preserve or replace mechanical, electrical, and water treatment systems; upgrades to
1.11 utility and audio systems; life-safety improvements; exterior improvements to the facility's
1.12 building envelope, parking, and grounds; and an expansion of classroom space. This
1.13 appropriation is onetime and is available until the project is completed or abandoned, subject
1.14 to Minnesota Statutes, section 16A.642.

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