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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 a regional medical
1.3 examiner's facility; authorizing the sale and issuance of state bonds.
1.4 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF MINNESOTA:

1.5 Section 1. **REGIONAL MEDICAL EXAMINER'S FACILITY.**

1.6 Subdivision 1. **Appropriation.** \$25,932,000 is appropriated from the bond proceeds
1.7 fund to the commissioner of human services for a grant to Hennepin County to design,
1.8 construct, furnish, and equip a 67,000 square foot regional, state-of-the-art medical examiner's
1.9 facility. The facility shall: (1) provide forensic death investigation and autopsy services for
1.10 Dakota, Hennepin, and Scott Counties with the flexibility to accommodate future partner
1.11 counties and agencies; (2) serve as a teaching facility for the state, on the science of forensic
1.12 pathology; and (3) be located in southern Hennepin County at a site that best supports access
1.13 needs for the three founding counties and reasonable scene response times for the geographic
1.14 service area.

1.15 Subd. 2. **Bond sale.** To provide the money appropriated in this section from the bond
1.16 proceeds fund, the commissioner of management and budget shall sell and issue bonds of
1.17 the state in an amount up to \$25,932,000 in the manner, upon the terms, and with the effect
1.18 prescribed by Minnesota Statutes, sections 16A.631 to 16A.675, and by the Minnesota
1.19 Constitution, article XI, sections 4 to 7.

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