

1 COMMITTEE ON RULES AND LEGISLATIVE ADMINISTRATION

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3 **Resolution on State Office Building Improvement and Expansion**
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5 Whereas the safety, security and health of the people of Minnesota is the first function of
6 state government, and the safety, security and health of the members of the public, staff and
7 elected members of the Minnesota House of Representatives is the first duty of the leaders of the
8 House of Representatives; and

9 Whereas the State Office Building is the primary meeting place of the public, its elected
10 representatives, and the staff who are essential to the administration of the legislative department
11 of state government; and

12 Whereas the Revisor of Statutes, the Legislative Reference Library, the Legislative
13 Coordinating Commission, the Legislative Budget Office, Joint Commissions, and the Minnesota
14 Secretary of State all conduct their primary responsibilities in the State Office Building, and the
15 safety, security and health of those officials are also critical to the function of government in
16 Minnesota; and

17 Whereas the physical construction of the State Office Building impedes the ability of Capitol
18 Security and the House Sergeant-at-Arms to ensure the safety of the public, its elected officials
19 and staff while they are undertaking public business; and

20 Whereas the State Office Building fails to comply with Minnesota State Building Codes for
21 health, safety, accessibility, and soundness; and

22 Whereas the State Office Building fails to comply with accessibility standards and to serve
23 persons with disabilities in the manner required by law; and

24 Whereas the State Office Building fails to meet standards for safe egress during an
25 emergency; and

1 Whereas water leaks over time have damaged portions of the State Office Building and led to
2 mold growth which threatens the health and safety of members, staff, and public; and

3 Whereas broken pipes and flooding in the State Office Building have threatened to shut down
4 television access to legislative hearings and destroy the networking and communication
5 infrastructure of the House, and the bill drafting technologies of the Office of the Revisor of
6 Statutes, risking the function of legislative sessions; and

7 Whereas the State Office Building was built in 1932 in a Roman Renaissance architectural
8 style using materials from the State of Minnesota, and is situated in relation to the State Capitol,
9 the Minnesota Judicial Center, and the capitol grounds in a classical manner intended to lend
10 dignity and grace to the seat of government in Minnesota; and

11 Whereas the State Office Building has not been adequately maintained or improved since a
12 partial renovation completed in 1985; and

13 Whereas, the State Office Building is no longer a functional structure for the public, its
14 elected officials or their staff, and continued use of the State Office Building without substantial
15 improvements and expansion places the public at risk; reduces the ability of the House of
16 Representatives to fulfill its mission to the people of Minnesota; and erodes the structure of a
17 significant historical building; and

18 Whereas, the operations of the House of Representatives occupy the largest portion of the
19 State Office Building, and therefore the House is the primary tenant of the building; and

20 Whereas, Minnesota Statutes, section 16B.2406, requires program plans and cost estimates
21 for all elements necessary to complete a project to be approved by an affected building's primary
22 tenant; therefore

23 BE IT RESOLVED, by the Committee on Rules and Legislative Administration, that
24 consistent with Minnesota Statutes, section 16B.2406, subdivision 1(c), the Minnesota House of
25 Representatives, as primary tenant, approves the design and construction program plan
26 (Proposed Program Plan SOBPP 2022.12.21) for the State Office Building:

1	House of Representatives
2	Construction Costs (2022 Dollars) \$262,973,360
3	Contingencies and Inflation \$90,857,296
4	Professional Services, Fees, and Ancillary Costs \$37,892,433
5	Total Costs \$391,723,089
6	Revisor of Statutes
7	Construction Costs (2022 Dollars) \$21,764,238
8	Contingencies and Inflation \$7,519,544
9	Professional Services, Fees, and Ancillary Costs \$3,002,084
10	Total Costs \$32,285,867
11	Legislative Reference Library
12	Construction Costs (2022 Dollars) \$13,520,186
13	Contingencies and Inflation \$4,671,224
14	Professional Services, Fees, and Ancillary Costs \$1,858,517
15	Total Costs \$20,049,927
16	Legislative Coordinating Commission
17	Construction Costs (2022 Dollars) \$13,051,404
18	Contingencies and Inflation \$4,509,260
19	Professional Services, Fees, and Ancillary Costs \$1,789,548
20	Total Costs \$19,350,211
21	Legislative Budget Office
22	Construction Costs (2022 Dollars) \$5,964,162
23	Contingencies and Inflation \$2,060,618
24	Professional Services, Fees, and Ancillary Costs \$826,436
25	Total Costs \$8,851,216
26	Joint Commissions
27	Construction Costs (2022 Dollars) \$7,343,502

1 Contingencies and Inflation \$2,537,180
2 Professional Services, Fees, and Ancillary Costs \$1,097,473
3 Total Costs \$10,978,155

4 Secretary of State
5 Construction Costs (2022 Dollars) \$10,459,898
6 Contingencies and Inflation \$3,613,895
7 Professional Services, Fees, and Ancillary Costs \$1,451,646
8 Total Costs \$15,525,439

9 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED by the Committee on Rules and Legislative Administration
10 that pursuant to Minnesota Statutes, section 16B.2406, the Minnesota House of Representatives
11 approves ancillary expenditures including but not limited to (1) relocation of tenants in the State
12 Office Building including but not limited to temporary offices or working arrangements for
13 members and staff during construction; (2) costs attributable to rent loss on tenants in the State
14 Office Building; and (3) costs attributable to furnishing new facilities or completing exterior
15 facilities and grounds. The Department of Administration shall submit to the primary tenant a
16 plan and final cost determination for these ancillary factors.

Date adopted: December 21, 2022

Signed: 
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