

HOUSE BILL NO. 856

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A BILL FOR AN ACT ENTITLED: "AN ACT GENERALLY REVISING LAWS RELATED TO THE CAPITOL COMPLEX; PROVIDING THAT THE LEGISLATURE SHALL DETERMINE THE NECESSARY LEGISLATIVE SPACE IN THE CAPITOL AND ON THE CAPITOL COMPLEX; PROVIDING FOR THE LEGISLATURE TO ALLOCATE LEGISLATIVE SPACE; RESERVING AND DEFINING LEGISLATIVE SPACE IN THE CAPITOL AND ON THE CAPITOL COMPLEX; RESERVING AND DEFINING THE GOVERNOR'S SPACE IN THE CAPITOL AND ON THE CAPITOL COMPLEX; PROVIDING DEFINITIONS; PROVIDING THAT THE DEPARTMENT OF ADMINISTRATION SHALL CONTINUE TO PROVIDE CUSTODIAL AND MAINTENANCE SERVICES FOR DESIGNATED LEGISLATIVE SPACE; REQUIRING THE DEPARTMENT OF ADMINISTRATION TO SUBMIT ANY UPDATED CAPITOL AREA MASTER PLAN TO THE LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL; REQUIRING THE LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL, WITH CONSULTATION OF THE LEGISLATIVE AUDIT COMMITTEE AND THE LEGISLATIVE FINANCE COMMITTEE, TO PREINTRODUCE A JOINT RESOLUTION TO CONSENT OR NOT CONSENT TO AN UPDATED CAPITOL AREA MASTER PLAN; REQUIRING THE LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL, WITH CONSULTATION OF THE LEGISLATIVE AUDIT COMMITTEE AND THE LEGISLATIVE FINANCE COMMITTEE, TO DEVELOP A LONG-RANGE LEGISLATIVE BRANCH ~~CAPITOL~~ CAPITAL DEVELOPMENT PLAN THAT IS INCORPORATED INTO THE

1 CAPITOL MASTER PLAN; REQUIRING THE DEPARTMENT TO PROVIDE NECESSARY PERSONNEL AND  
2 RESOURCES TO ASSIST THE LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL IN DEVELOPING THE LONG-RANGE  
3 LEGISLATIVE BRANCH ~~CAPITOL~~ CAPITAL DEVELOPMENT PLAN; PROVIDING FOR THE RENOVATION,  
4 REPLACEMENT, OR CONSTRUCTION OF COMPLEX FACILITIES FOR STATE WORKFORCE  
5 DEVELOPMENT AND LEGISLATIVE SPACE; ESTABLISHING CAPITOL COMPLEX LONG-RANGE CAPITAL  
6 PROJECTS STATE SPECIAL REVENUE ACCOUNTS FOR THE EXECUTIVE BRANCH AND THE  
7 LEGISLATIVE BRANCH; PROVIDING FOR ELIGIBLE USES OF THE FUND; PROVIDING FOR TRANSFER  
8 FROM THE GENERAL FUND TO THE ACCOUNTS; PROVIDING AN APPROPRIATION; PROVIDING  
9 LEGISLATIVE CONSENT; AMENDING SECTIONS 2-17-101, 2-17-108, 2-17-802, 2-17-805, 2-17-806, AND 2-  
10 17-811, MCA; AND PROVIDING EFFECTIVE DATES.”

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12 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF MONTANA:

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14 **Section 1.** Section 2-17-101, MCA, is amended to read:

15 **"2-17-101. (Temporary) Allocation of space -- leasing -- definition.** (1) The department of  
16 administration shall determine the space required by state agencies other than the legislature and the  
17 legislative space designated in [section 3] and 2-17-802 and the university system and shall allocate space in  
18 buildings owned or leased by the state, based on each agency's need. To efficiently and effectively allocate  
19 space, the department shall identify the amount, location, and nature of space used by each agency, including  
20 summary information on average cost per square foot for each municipality, and report this to the office of  
21 budget and program planning and to the legislative fiscal analyst by September 1 of each even-numbered year.  
22 The report must be provided in an electronic format. The department of administration shall provide a copy of  
23 the report to the legislature in accordance with 5-11-210.

24 (2) An agency requiring additional space shall notify the department. The department, in  
25 consultation with the agency, shall determine the amount and nature of the space needed and locate space  
26 within a building owned or leased by the state, including buildings in Helena and in other areas, to meet the  
27 agency's requirements. If space is not available in a building owned or leased by the state, the department shall  
28 locate space to be leased in an appropriate existing building or a build-to-lease building, including buildings in

1 Helena and in other areas, or recommend alternatives to leasing, such as remodeling or exchanging space with  
2 another agency. A state agency may not lease, rent, or purchase real property without prior approval of the  
3 department.

4 (3)—(a) The location of the chambers for the house of representatives must be determined in the sole  
5 discretion of the house of representatives. The location of the chambers for the senate must be determined in  
6 the sole discretion of the senate.

7 (b)—Subject to 2-17-108, the department, with the advice of the legislative council, shall allocate other  
8 space for the use of the legislature, including but not limited to space for committee rooms and legislative  
9 offices.

10 (4) The department shall consolidate the offices of state agencies in a single, central location  
11 within a municipality whenever the consolidation would result in a cost savings to the state while permitting  
12 sufficient space and facilities for the agencies. The department may purchase, lease, or acquire, by exchange  
13 or otherwise, land and buildings in a municipality to achieve consolidation. Offices of the law enforcement  
14 services division and motor vehicle division of the department of justice are exempted from consolidation.

15 (5) Any lease for more than 45,000 square feet or for a term of more than 20 years must be  
16 submitted as part of the long-range building program and approved by the legislature before the department of  
17 administration may proceed with the lease. Multiple leases in the same building entered into within any 60-day  
18 period are to be aggregated for purposes of this threshold calculation. When immediate relocation of agency  
19 employees is required due to a public exigency, the requirements of this subsection do not apply, but the new  
20 lease must be reported as required by subsection (1).

21 (6) The department shall include language in every lease providing that if funds are not  
22 appropriated or otherwise made available to support continued performance of the lease in subsequent fiscal  
23 periods, the lease must be canceled.

24 (7) "Public exigency" means that due to unforeseen circumstances a facility occupied by state  
25 employees is uninhabitable due to immediate conditions that adversely impact the health or safety of the  
26 occupants of the facility. (Terminates June 30, 2023--sec. 3, Ch. 401, L. 2019.)

27 **2-17-101. (Effective July 1, 2023) Allocation of space -- leasing -- definition.** (1) The department  
28 of administration shall determine the space required by state agencies other than the legislature and the

1 legislative space designated in [section 3] and 2-17-802 and the university system and shall allocate space in  
2 buildings owned or leased by the state, based on each agency's need. To efficiently and effectively allocate  
3 space, the department shall identify the amount, location, and nature of space used by each agency, including  
4 summary information on average cost per square foot for each municipality, and report this to the office of  
5 budget and program planning and to the legislative fiscal analyst by September 1 of each even-numbered year.  
6 The report must be provided in an electronic format. The department of administration shall provide a copy of  
7 the report to the legislature in accordance with 5-11-210.

8 (2) An agency requiring additional space shall notify the department. The department, in  
9 consultation with the agency, shall determine the amount and nature of the space needed and locate space  
10 within a building owned or leased by the state, including buildings in Helena and in other areas, to meet the  
11 agency's requirements. If space is not available in a building owned or leased by the state, the department shall  
12 locate space to be leased in an appropriate existing building or a build-to-lease building, including buildings in  
13 Helena and in other areas, or recommend alternatives to leasing, such as remodeling or exchanging space with  
14 another agency. A state agency may not lease, rent, or purchase real property without prior approval of the  
15 department.

16 (3)—(a) The location of the chambers for the house of representatives must be determined in the sole  
17 discretion of the house of representatives. The location of the chambers for the senate must be determined in  
18 the sole discretion of the senate.

19 ~~(b) Subject to 2-17-108, the department, with the advice of the legislative council, shall allocate other~~  
20 ~~space for the use of the legislature, including but not limited to space for committee rooms and legislative~~  
21 ~~offices.~~

22 (4) The department shall consolidate the offices of state agencies in a single, central location  
23 within a municipality whenever the consolidation would result in a cost savings to the state while permitting  
24 sufficient space and facilities for the agencies. The department may purchase, lease, or acquire, by exchange  
25 or otherwise, land and buildings in a municipality to achieve consolidation. Offices of the law enforcement  
26 services division and motor vehicle division of the department of justice are exempted from consolidation.

27 (5) Any lease for more than 40,000 square feet or for a term of more than 20 years must be  
28 submitted as part of the long-range building program and approved by the legislature before the department of

1 administration may proceed with the lease. Multiple leases in the same building entered into within any 60-day  
2 period are to be aggregated for purposes of this threshold calculation. When immediate relocation of agency  
3 employees is required due to a public exigency, the requirements of this subsection do not apply, but the new  
4 lease must be reported as required by subsection (1).

5 (6) The department shall include language in every lease providing that if funds are not  
6 appropriated or otherwise made available to support continued performance of the lease in subsequent fiscal  
7 periods, the lease must be cancelled.

8 (7) "Public exigency" means that due to unforeseen circumstances a facility occupied by state  
9 employees is uninhabitable due to immediate conditions that adversely impact the health or safety of the  
10 occupants of the facility."  
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12 **Section 2.** Section 2-17-108, MCA, is amended to read:

13 **"2-17-108. Allocation of legislative rooms and offices space.** ~~Notwithstanding the provisions of 2-~~  
14 ~~17-101, after each session of the legislature, the department of administration shall conduct an inventory of the~~  
15 ~~rooms and offices in the capitol controlled by the house of representatives and the senate.~~

16 (1) Legislative space in the capitol and on the capitol complex may not be reduced without the consent  
17 of the legislature. The control of the rooms, committee hearing rooms, and offices for legislators and session  
18 and exempt legislative staff may not be changed without the permission of the speaker of the house of  
19 representatives, the minority leader of the house, the president of the senate, and the minority leader of the  
20 senate.

21 (2) During the interim between legislative sessions from the day after sine die of a session through  
22 December 1 in an even year, the legislative services division, under the direction of legislative council in  
23 consultation with the legislative audit committee and the legislative finance committee, shall schedule and  
24 reserve legislative committee hearing rooms."

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26 **NEW SECTION. Section 3. Reservation of space for legislature -- legislative council duties. (1)**

27 The legislative space on the capitol complex includes:

28 (a) in the state capitol:

- 1 (i) the entire fourth floor;
- 2 (ii) the entire third floor, including the senate and house chambers;
- 3 (iii) the area of the second floor west of the west elevator shaft, occupied by the secretary of state;
- 4 (iv) the entire first floor, except for the post office space;
- 5 (v) the entire basement level;
- 6 (vi) any existing wiring closets and custodial areas within or serving legislative space designated in
- 7 this section; and
- 8 (vii) existing network infrastructure within or serving legislative space designated in this section.
- 9 (b) the entire old board of health building located at 1301 Lockey avenue;
- 10 (c) additional buildings that may be acquired or constructed for the use of the legislative branch;
- 11 and
- 12 (d) the legislative parking area as defined in 2-17-802.
- 13 (2) (a) Except as provided in 2-17-101(3), 2-17-108, and subsection (2)(b) of this section, the
- 14 legislative council shall exercise complete jurisdiction over the legislative space except for the following:
- 15 (i) the capitol complex advisory council and the department responsibilities for the legislative
- 16 space as provided for in Title 2, chapter 17, part 8; and
- 17 (ii) department control of:
- 18 (A) except as provided in this section, central utility functions, including but not limited to
- 19 mechanical and electronic functions and the electric core of the capitol and the legislative space;
- 20 (B) general maintenance of the legislative space;
- 21 (C) maintenance of all the elevators and stairways in the legislative space;
- 22 (D) maintenance of rest rooms in the legislative space;
- 23 (E) existing press space in the basement level;
- 24 (F) phone systems in the legislative space, except that the legislature retains the jurisdiction and
- 25 authority to install a new phone system; and
- 26 (G) custodial care pursuant to 2-17-811 for the legislative space.
- 27 (b) The legislative council, with consultation of the legislative audit committee and the legislative
- 28 finance committee, shall exercise jurisdiction over the:

- 1 (i) long-range legislative branch capitol development plan;
- 2 (ii) allocation, maintenance, or remodeling of legislative space for nonpartisan legislative staff;
- 3 (iii) allocation of legislative parking area space; and
- 4 (iv) occupancy of nonlegislative entities in legislative space.

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6 **NEW SECTION. Section 4. Reservation of space for governor.** (1) The governor's space on the  
7 capitol complex includes:

- 8 (a) in the capitol, the entire second floor, except the legislative space temporarily reserved for the  
9 secretary of state pursuant to [section 3] and 2-17-802;
- 10 (b) the executive residence located at 2 Carson street;
- 11 (c) parking lots, parking garages, and the parking area designated in 2-17-802; and
- 12 (d) additional buildings that may be acquired or constructed for the use of the governor.

13 (2) The governor shall exercise complete jurisdiction over the governor's space except for the  
14 following:

- 15 (a) the capitol complex advisory council and the department responsibilities for the governor's  
16 space as provided for in Title 2, chapter 17, part 8; and
- 17 (b) department control of:
  - 18 (i) central utility functions, including but not limited to mechanical and electronic functions and the  
19 electric core of the capitol and the governor's space;
  - 20 (ii) general maintenance of the governor's space;
  - 21 (iii) maintenance of all the elevators and stairways in the governor's space;
  - 22 (iv) maintenance of rest rooms in the governor's space;
  - 23 (v) phone systems in the governor's space; and
  - 24 (vi) custodial care pursuant to 2-17-811 for the governor's space.

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26 **Section 5.** Section 2-17-802, MCA, is amended to read:

27 **"2-17-802. Definitions.** As used in part 1 and this part, the following definitions apply:

28 (1) "Capitol" means the building dedicated as the Montana state capitol in 1902.

1           ~~(1)~~(2) "Capitol complex" means the capitol building and all the state buildings within a 10-mile radius  
2 of the capitol building but does not include the Montana wildlife rehabilitation and education center.

3           ~~(2)~~(3) "Council" means the capitol complex advisory council established in 2-17-803.

4           (4) "Governor's space" means the chambers, rooms, hallways, lounges, parking lots, parking  
5 garages, and parking area designated by [section 4] and this section as being subject to governor control.

6           (5) "Legislative audit committee" means the legislative audit committee established in 5-13-201.

7           ~~(3)~~(6) "Legislative council" means the legislative council established in 5-11-101.

8           (7) "Legislative finance committee" means the legislative finance committee established in 5-12-  
9 201.

10          (8) (a) "Legislative parking area" means the:

11          (i) capitol south lower lot that includes the off-street parking lot located south of the capitol, south  
12 of Lockey avenue, and proximately west of the old board of health building located at 1301 Lockey avenue;

13          (ii) capitol south circle lot that includes the off-street parking lot located between Lockey avenue  
14 and the south main entrance to the capitol; and

15          (iii) capitol north loop lot that includes the off-street parking lot that begins proximately south of the  
16 intersection of north Montana avenue and Sixth avenue, extends in an easterly direction to the base of the  
17 north main steps of the capitol, and continues in an easterly direction to end proximately south of the  
18 intersection of Sixth avenue and north Roberts street.

19          (b) The term does not include:

20          (i) for the capitol south circle lot, six parking spaces for use by the governor's office, one parking  
21 space for use by the secretary of state, three parking spaces for use by the Montana highway patrol, three  
22 parking spaces for use by department custodial and maintenance, and ADA accessible parking spaces; and

23          (ii) for the capitol north loop, three parking spaces for use by the governor's office and security  
24 attachment, two parking spaces for use by the secretary of state's office, and ADA accessible parking spaces.

25          (9) "Legislative space" means the buildings, chambers, rooms, hallways, lounges, and legislative  
26 parking area designated by [section 3] and this section and the secretary of state space, as being subject to  
27 legislative control.

28          (10) (A) "Legislative zone" means the legislative zone of the capitol complex that includes the



1 grounds, monuments, parking areas, buildings, and other manmade and natural objects within the area  
2 bounded by east Broadway street, north Montana avenue, Eighth avenue, and north Roberts street.

3 (B) THE TERM DOES NOT INCLUDE A PRIVATELY OWNED BUILDING OR PROPERTY.

4 (11) "Public space within the capitol" means space within the capitol, including but not limited to  
5 chambers, galleries, and anterooms of the senate and house of representatives, the former supreme court  
6 chambers as defined in 2-17-810, the capitol rotunda, hearing rooms, hallways, stairways and elevators,  
7 restrooms, central utility areas, and similar public or shared spaces totaling approximately 150,000 gross  
8 square feet of space within the capitol.

9 (12) "Secretary of state space" means the chambers, rooms, hallways, and parking area designated  
10 by [section 3] and this section as legislative space and subject to legislative control."

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12 **Section 6.** Section 2-17-805, MCA, is amended to read:

13 **"2-17-805. Function of department of administration -- capitol area master plan -- advice of**  
14 **capitol complex advisory council and legislative council.** (1) With advice from the council and the  
15 legislative council, the department of administration shall establish and maintain a long-range master plan for  
16 the orderly development of the capitol complex. The long-range master plan must be developed and  
17 maintained, with consideration given to the following factors:

18 (a) the needs of the state, including incorporation of the long-range legislative branch capitol  
19 CAPITAL development plan, relative to the location and design of buildings to be constructed, purchase of land,  
20 parking facilities, traffic management, and landscaping;

21 (b) the ordinances, plans, requirements, and proposed improvements of the city of Helena and  
22 Lewis and Clark County, based, without limitation, upon zoning regulations, population trends, and plans for  
23 rapid transit development; and

24 (c) any other factors that bear upon the orderly, integrated, and cooperative development of the  
25 state, the city of Helena, Lewis and Clark County, and state property in the capitol complex.

26 (2) ~~The legislative council shall consult with and advise the~~ The department of administration shall  
27 consult with the legislative council concerning the assignment-allocation of space in the capitol that is not  
28 designated as legislative space pursuant to [section 3] or governor's space pursuant to [section 4].

1 (3) The Montana historical society shall protect and preserve all publicly held, permanent artwork  
2 in the capitol complex and request funding for periodic inspection, maintenance, and repair of the artwork from  
3 the trust fund established in 15-35-108 for protection of works of art in the state capitol and other cultural and  
4 aesthetic projects.

5 (4) The legislative council, with consultation of the legislative audit committee and the legislative  
6 finance committee, shall serve as a long-range building committee to recommend to the legislature and the  
7 department of administration construction and remodeling priorities for the capitol and legislative space needs  
8 within the legislative zone of the capitol complex.

9 (5) (a) Prior to September 1 in the year before a regular session of the legislature, the department  
10 shall submit an updated capitol area master plan, if an updated plan is available, to the legislative council.

11 (b) The legislative council, with consultation of the legislative audit committee and the legislative  
12 finance committee, shall preintroduce a joint resolution recommending the legislature's consent, consent with  
13 modifications, or nonconsent to the current capitol area master plan.

14 (6) (a) (i) For the biennium beginning July 1, 2023, the legislative council, with consultation of the  
15 legislative audit committee and the legislative finance committee, shall develop a long-range legislative branch  
16 capitol-CAPITAL development plan for the legislative space provided for in [section 3] and 2-17-802(9) and the  
17 legislative zone provided for in 2-17-802(10).

18 (ii) The legislative council, with consultation of the legislative audit committee and the legislative  
19 finance committee, may ~~contract with the department or a private entity, or both,~~ REQUEST APPOINTMENT OF  
20 ARCHITECTS AND CONSULTING ENGINEERS BY THE DEPARTMENT PURSUANT TO 18-2-112 to develop the long-range  
21 legislative branch capitol CAPITAL development plan.

22 (iii) For the biennium beginning July 1, 2023, the department shall provide the legislative council  
23 with the necessary personnel and resources to develop and complete the long-range legislative branch capitol  
24 CAPITAL development plan by September 1, 2024.

25 (iv) (A) The department shall incorporate the long-range legislative branch capitol-CAPITAL  
26 development plan into the capitol master plan.

27 (B) If the long-range legislative branch capitol CAPITAL development plan is finalized after the  
28 adoption of the capitol area master plan, the department shall incorporate the long-range legislative branch

1 capitol development plan into the capitol area master plan.

2 (C) The long-range legislative branch capitol CAPITAL development plan supersedes any conflicting  
3 provisions of the capitol area master plan.

4 (b) (i) Prior to September 1, 2024, the legislative council, with consultation of the legislative audit  
5 committee and the legislative finance committee, shall finalize the long-range legislative branch capitol-CAPITAL  
6 development plan.

7 (ii) The legislative council, with consultation of the legislative audit committee and the legislative  
8 finance committee, shall preintroduce a joint resolution recommending the legislature's consent to the long-  
9 range legislative branch capitol CAPITAL development plan."

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11 **Section 7.** Section 2-17-806, MCA, is amended to read:

12 **"2-17-806. Department of administration to establish policies on capitol.** The department of  
13 administration, with the advice of the council and the legislative council, shall establish policies governing  
14 maintenance and beautification of the capitol, executive residence, and original governor's mansion. The  
15 policies must provide that all historic furnishings original to the capitol remain in the building if an agency  
16 relocates and may designate appropriate wall, floor, and window coverings for the capitol. The Montana  
17 Administrative Procedure Act does not apply to this part."

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19 **Section 8.** Section 2-17-811, MCA, is amended to read:

20 **"2-17-811. Custodial care of capitol buildings and grounds.** (1) The department of administration  
21 is custodian of all-state property and grounds in ~~the state capitol area, which is the geographic area within a 10-~~  
22 ~~mile radius of the state capitol~~ the capitol complex.

23 (2) (a)—The department shall supervise and direct the work of caring for and maintaining  
24 buildings and equipment in the ~~state capitol area~~ capitol complex.

25 (b) The department shall provide or approve all-custodial, maintenance, and security work done on  
26 state-owned or leased buildings in the ~~state capitol area~~ capitol complex. The department may not charge the  
27 legislature, governor, or secretary of state for the custodial and security services for public space within the  
28 capitol as defined in 2-17-802.

1           (c)       The legislative council may contract with the department or a private entity, or both, for the  
2 custodial and security services for legislative space that is not designated public space in 2-17-802. If the  
3 legislative council contracts with the department, the legislature may not be charged more than the rate  
4 approved by the legislature for custodial and security services for capitol complex facilities. The legislature shall  
5 provide a 90-day advance notice to the department prior to contracting with a private entity for custodial or  
6 security services, or both.

7           (3)       A state agency other than the legislature and the legislative space designated in [section 3]  
8 may not alter, improve, repair, or remodel a state building in the state capitol area without the approval of the  
9 department.

10          (4)       The department shall maintain or approve the maintenance of the grounds in the state capitol  
11 area."

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13           **NEW SECTION. Section 9. Capitol complex executive branch long-range capital projects**

14 **account.** (1) There is a capitol complex executive branch long-range capital projects account in the capital  
15 projects fund type to fund executive branch capital projects.

16          (2)       Interest earnings, project carryover funds, and miscellaneous revenue must be retained in the  
17 account.

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19           **NEW SECTION. Section 10. Eligible use of funds.** (1) The funds in the account established in  
20 [section 9] may only be used to continue renovation, replacement, or construction of complex facilities based on  
21 findings from the 2022 Montana remote and office workspace study, including but not limited to capital  
22 improvements to:

23          (a)       align modern workspace with a modern workforce;

24          (b)       implement enterprise-wide opportunities for technology enhanced touch-down and hoteling  
25 stations;

26          (c)       improve productivity;

27          (d)       reduce agency programmatic and operational costs;

28          (e)       provide flexible spaces for long-term efficiencies, performance, and cost reduction;

- 1 (f) improve workforce efficiencies, recruiting, and retention, including telework-friendly design;
- 2 (g) consolidate state-owned and leased properties into existing, replacement, or new spaces;
- 3 (h) renovation or construction costs, including relocation costs, for moving non-legislative branch
- 4 functions or agencies out of the capitol;
- 5 (i) colocation to take advantage of teleworking and mission-related adjacencies;
- 6 (j) centralize access to governmental services and improve citizen accessibility;
- 7 (k) provide security improvements to ensure safety and continuity of governmental operations; and
- 8 (l) increase disaster resiliency.

9 (2) Priority must be given to projects that have a high return on investment or that reduce deferred  
10 maintenance backlog through the renovation and renewal of existing spaces.

11 (3) Moving and relocation costs associated with the implementation of this section may be paid  
12 from these funds.

13 (4) The legislature may transfer from the account established in [section 9] to the major repair  
14 long-range building program account or the capital developments long-range building program account for  
15 capital projects within the capitol complex.

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17 **NEW SECTION. Section 11. Capitol complex legislative branch long-range capital projects**

18 **account.** (1) There is a capitol complex legislative branch long-range capital projects account in the capital  
19 projects fund type to fund legislative branch capital projects.

20 (2) Interest earnings, project carryover funds, and miscellaneous revenue must be retained in the  
21 account.

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23 **NEW SECTION. Section 12. Eligible use of funds.** (1) The funds in the account established in  
24 [section 11] may only be used to:

25 (a) develop and implement a strategic capital plan to improve the efficiency and functionality of the  
26 legislative space and the legislative process;

27 (b) plan, renovate, replace, or construct capitol complex facilities for the exclusive use of the  
28 legislative branch;

- 1 (c) increase citizen access to legislators and the legislative process;
- 2 (d) locate priority functions and entities to be located within the walls of the capitol;
- 3 (e) relocate functions and entities not required to be located within the walls of the capitol;
- 4 (f) address deficiencies in legislator and legislative support staff spaces;
- 5 (g) improve adjacencies and colocation where functional efficiencies can be gained;
- 6 (h) provide flexible spaces for long-term efficiencies, performance, and cost reduction;
- 7 (i) improve workforce efficiencies, recruiting, and retention, including telework-friendly design; and
- 8 (j) implement telework opportunities.

9 (2) Priority must be given to projects that improve the legislative process by providing individual  
10 office space for legislators, expanding or adding public hearing rooms, or increasing the availability of space for  
11 constituent meetings and outreach.

12 (3) Moving and relocation costs of legislative branch functions moved or relocated in the  
13 implementation of this section may be paid from these funds. Renovation or construction costs, including  
14 relocation costs, for moving non-legislative branch functions or agencies out of the capitol must be paid from  
15 the funds in the account established in [section 9].

16 (4) The legislative branch long-range capital plan must be updated at a minimum on a decennial  
17 basis and prior to undertaking any major capital development exceeding \$5 million not included in the current  
18 capitol plan in effect.

19 (5) The legislature may transfer from the account established in [section 11] to the major repair  
20 long-range building program account or the capital developments long-range building program account for  
21 legislative branch capital projects within the capitol complex.

22 (6) The legislative council, with consultation of the legislative finance committee and legislative  
23 audit committee, shall serve as a long-range building committee to recommend to the legislature and the  
24 department of administration construction and remodeling priorities for the capitol and capitol complex.

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26 **NEW SECTION. Section 13. Transfer of funds.** (1) By June 30, 2023, the state treasurer shall  
27 transfer \$25 million from the general fund to the account established in [section 9] and \$25 million from the  
28 general fund to the state special revenue account established in [section 11].

1           (2)     By June 30, 2024, the state treasurer shall transfer \$25 million from the general fund to the  
2 account established in [section 9] and \$25 million from the general fund to the state special revenue account  
3 established in [section 11].

4           (3)     By June 30, 2025, the state treasurer shall transfer \$25 million from the general fund to the  
5 account established in [section 9] and \$25 million from the general fund to the state special revenue account  
6 established in [section 11].

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8           NEW SECTION. Section 14. Appropriation. (1) There is appropriated \$25 million from the capitol  
9 complex legislative branch long-range capital projects account established in [section 11] to the legislative  
10 branch for the biennium beginning July 1, 2023, for the purposes set forth in subsections (2) through (4).

11           (2)     Up to \$5 million of the appropriation may be used to:  
12           (i)     pay for the development of a long-range legislative branch capital development plan; and  
13           (ii)    plan, renovate, replace, and construct capital improvements for the exclusive use of the  
14 legislative branch.

15           (3)     There is appropriated \$120,000 from the capitol complex legislative branch long-range capital  
16 projects account established in [section 11] to the legislative branch in the fiscal years beginning July 1, 2023,  
17 and July 1, 2024, to support 1.0 FTE and associated operating costs for a legislative branch facilities manager  
18 for the biennium beginning July 1, 2023. The legislature may use this appropriation for contracted services. The  
19 legislature intends that the appropriation in this section be considered part of the ongoing base for the next  
20 legislative session.

21           (4)     The balance of the appropriation may be used to plan, renovate, replace, and construct capital  
22 improvements for the exclusive use of the legislative branch based on recommendations of the long-range  
23 legislative branch capitol development plan.

24           (5)     The appropriation authorized in subsection (4) constitutes legislative consent for a capital  
25 project for the legislative branch within the meaning of 18-2-102.

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27           NEW SECTION. Section 15. Codification instruction. (1) [Sections 3 and 4] are intended to be  
28 codified as an integral part of Title 2, chapter 17, part 1, and the provisions of Title 2, chapter 17, part 1, apply

1 to [sections 3 and 4].

2 (2) [Sections 9 through 12] are intended to be codified as an integral part of Title 17, chapter 7,  
3 part 2, and the provisions of Title 17, chapter 7, part 2, apply to [sections 9 through 12].

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5 **NEW SECTION. Section 16. Effective dates.** (1) Except as provided in subsection (2), [this act] is  
6 effective on passage and approval.

7 (2) [Section 14] is effective July 1, 2023.

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