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A bill for an act

relating to capital improvements; appropriating money for Koochiching renewable energy clean air project; authorizing the sale and issuance of state bonds.

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

Section 1. **KOOCHICHING RENEWABLE ENERGY CLEAN AIR PROJECT.**

Subdivision 1. **Appropriation.** $12,000,000 is appropriated from the bond proceeds fund to the Pollution Control Agency for a grant to Koochiching County or the Koochiching Development Agency to design, construct, and equip a plasma torch gasification facility that converts municipal solid waste into energy and slag, reducing the need to dispose of the waste in a landfill. This appropriation may be used for any or all or any combination of the following:

(1) to upgrade an existing waste transfer station in Koochiching County to serve the facility by performing site work, construction, or placement of equipment; or

(2) to prepare a site for or to construct and equip a portion of the plasma torch gasification facility. This appropriation, or any portion of it, is available as matched, dollar-for-dollar, with money from nonstate sources.

Subd. 2. **Bond sale.** To provide the money appropriated in this section from the bond proceeds fund, the commissioner of management and budget shall sell and issue bonds of the state in an amount up to $12,000,000 in the manner, upon the terms, and with the effect prescribed by Minnesota Statutes, sections 16A.631 to 16A.675, and by the Minnesota Constitution, article XI, sections 4 to 7.

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