



Capital Construction

During the 2021 legislative session, the General Assembly considered a number of bills affecting funding for capital construction and the duties of the Capital Development Committee (CDC).

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House Bill 21-1274 required the Department of Personnel and Administration to maintain an inventory of unused, state-owned, real property and to determine if the properties are suitable for the construction of affordable housing, child care, public schools, residential mental and behavioral health care, or renewable energy facilities.

House Bill 21-1286 directed the Colorado Energy Office to implement a building performance program, and required owners of certain large buildings to submit annual energy use data to the office and meet energy performance standards.

House Bill 21-1319 directed agencies issuing a solicitation for certain public projects to temporarily use the federally determined prevailing wage.

House Bill 21-1303 required the Departments of Personnel and Administration and Transportation to establish maximum acceptable global warming potentials for certain construction materials used in public projects.

House Bill 21-1326 transferred and appropriated a total of \$25.0 million to five programs in the Departments of Natural Resources and Local Affairs. The \$17.0 million transferred to the Department of Natural Resources' Parks and Outdoor Recreation Cash Fund covered capital projects. Of the \$17.0 million, \$14.0 million was for infrastructure development projects, including planning and studies, and \$3.5 million was for maintenance projects

Senate Bill 21-157 increased the cap on the state charter school capital construction moral obligation bond program from \$500 million to \$750 million.

Senate Bill 21-202 transferred \$10.0 million from the General Fund to the Building Excellent Schools Today (BEST) school capital construction program and appropriated the funds for air quality improvement grants for FY 2020-21 and potentially FY 2021-22.

Senate Bill 21-198 repealed the requirement that the state auditor annually report uses of State Education Fund money for school capital construction to the General Assembly.

House Bill 21-1152 repealed the Capitol Dome Restoration Fund and related parts of statute.

House Bill 21-1126 re-codified the Office of the State Architect's authority to negotiate and execute leases on behalf of the state.