

Summary of Legislation

2025



Capital Construction

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During the 2025 legislative session, the General Assembly considered a number of bills affecting funding for capital construction and the duties of the Capital Development Committee (CDC).

Capital Appropriations, Transfers, and Financing

[Senate Bill 25-206](#), the 2025 long appropriations bill, transferred \$139.7 million from the General Fund to the Capital Construction Fund to fund capital construction projects. It also provided spending authority for \$179.6 million in cash funds and \$4.6 million in federal funds. The bill funded \$86.6 million across 50 controlled maintenance projects, \$54.9 million across three state-funded capital projects, and \$182.5 million across nine cash-funded projects.

Under current law, when a state agency terminates a private lease, an amount equal to the lease savings is transferred to the Capital Construction Fund. [Senate Bill 25-248](#) repealed that requirement.

[Senate Bill 25-081](#) created an independent statutory public entity, the Building Urgent Infrastructure and Leveraging Dollars (BUILD) Authority, to leverage capital and finance

certain infrastructure projects related to transportation, energy, water systems, and public facilities. The authority is governed by an eleven-member board of directors, which includes the chair of the CDC and the ranking minority member of the CDC. The bill also modified state capital financing options.

Duties of the CDC

[House Bill 25-1313](#) updated, clarified, and codified in statute various components of the capital budget process overseen by the CDC. The changes included:

- setting November 1 as the deadline by which funds for capital budget appropriations must be encumbered;
- changing the process for funds that have not yet been encumbered from a waiver to an extension;
- changing the due date of the State Treasurer's annual report to the CDC on state higher education institutions' fiscal health from September 1 to March 1;
- conforming statute with current practice for CDC approval of cash-funded projects at state institutions of higher education;
- clarifying when the CDC and the Art in Public Places program can exempt capital projects from the program; and

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- changing the CDC chair and vice-chair election to the committee's first December meeting.

Rural and Frontier Hospitals

[House Bill 25-1223](#) required the Department of Public Health and Environment to conduct a study to estimate the total cost needed to meet the capital development needs of Colorado rural and frontier hospitals. The study is overseen by a task force and its implementation is dependent upon the receipt of sufficient gifts, grants, and donations to cover the study's costs.