

1986, as amended. The agencies named in this bill shall certify to the BOF when the money from the proceeds of the severance tax bonds reauthorized in the bill is needed for the purposes specified in the applicable section of the bill. Before an agency certifies for issuance of the bonds, the project must be developed sufficiently so that the agency reasonably expects to:

- 1) Incur within six months after the applicable bonds have been issued a substantial binding obligation to a third party to expend at least five percent of the bond proceeds for the project; and
- 2) Spend at least eighty-five percent of the bond proceeds within three years after the applicable bonds have been issued.

For the purpose of the reauthorizations of unexpended balances contained in this bill, “unexpended balance” is defined as the remainder of an appropriation after reserving for unpaid costs and expenses covered by binding written obligations to third parties. If an agency has not certified the readiness for STB proceeds by the end of fiscal year 2016, the reauthorization is void.

SIGNIFICANT ISSUES

The Capital Outlay Bureau (COB) of the State Budget Division of the Department of Finance and Administration (DFA) is responsible for the operation and maintenance of the Capital Project Monitoring System (CPMS). Quarterly reports are generated from CPMS demonstrating the year and amount of an appropriation, expenditures, encumbrances, and balances for all active capital projects including reauthorizations.

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