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(S.D.)-Legislature Okays Funding Shift For Hot Springs Veteran's Home



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PIERRE, S.D. (ASSOCIATED PRESS) - The Senate has granted final legislative approval for a funding shift to cover the \$41.3 million construction on the state veteran's home in Hot Springs.

Gov. Dennis Daugaard proposed the change in funding. The bill goes next to him for final approval.

A \$23.6 million federal grant and \$1.3 million state appropriation from last year will fund much of the project.

The state had planned to issue bonds to pay the remaining share. But the bill lays out extra one-time revenue to allow the state to pay \$16.4 million in cash.

Senators voted 33-1 to pass the measure.

The funding covers design, construction and equipping of a new facility. The campus dates back to 1889.