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Transportation Funds At Risk In Capitol Renovations

Kansas Gov. Sam Brownback and legislative leaders are considering whether to grant permission for the state to issue bonds to help finance a visitor center at the Statehouse. The proposal on their agenda Monday is part of a larger plan to help finish a Statehouse renovation that has lasted 12 years and cost \$320 million. State budget director Steve Anderson outlined the proposal last week. It also calls for tapping \$7 million in transportation funds for work on the Statehouse grounds. Anderson said in a memo that an additional \$5 million in savings from other parts of the renovation could be dedicated to the visitor center and grounds, for a total of \$17.4 million.

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