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76-782. Research and development facility projects authorized. (a) The board of regents is authorized to acquire, construct and equip scientific research and development facilities on state-owned property of the board of regents or any state educational institution for purposes of scientific research from any moneys of the board of regents available therefor, except that no such scientific research and development facilities shall be acquired, constructed or equipped and no moneys shall be expended therefor unless the board of regents has first advised and consulted with the joint committee on state building construction regarding the proposed scientific research and development facilities and on each capital improvement project proposed therefor. The scientific research and development facilities shall become the property of the state upon completion and acceptance by the board of regents.

(b) The board of regents is authorized to initiate and complete capital improvement projects to repair, remodel or renovate state buildings and facilities of the state educational institutions for use as scientific research and development facilities from any moneys of the board of regents, except that no such capital improvement project for such repair, remodeling or renovation shall be initiated unless the board of regents has first advised and consulted with the joint committee on state building construction regarding the proposed scientific research and development facilities and each capital improvement project proposed therefor.

History: L. 2002, ch. 120, § 6; May 23.