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HOUSE BILL NO. 1072

Introduced by: Representatives Parsley, Bartling, Gibson, Hawks, Hawley, Kirschman,
Schoenfish, and Tyler and Senators Begalka, Frerichs, and Jones (Tom)

1 FOR AN ACT ENTITLED, An Act to provide for the titling, registration, and operation of golf
2 carts.

3 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF SOUTH DAKOTA:

4 Section 1. That § 32-3-1 be amended by adding thereto a NEW SUBDIVISION to read as
5 follows:

6 "Golf cart," a four-wheeled motor vehicle whose speed attainable in one mile is more than
7 twelve miles per hour and not more than twenty miles per hour on a paved level surface;

8 Section 2. That chapter 32-25 be amended by adding thereto a NEW SECTION to read as
9 follows:

10 No golf cart may be operated on any highway or roadway where the speed limit is more than
11 thirty-five miles per hour. Nothing in this section prevents a local government from adopting
12 more stringent local ordinances governing a golf cart operation on the highway or roadway.

13 Section 3. That chapter 32-3 be amended by adding thereto a NEW SECTION to read as
14 follows:

15 A golf cart which has or meets the following equipment and standards may be issued a title:



- 1 (1) Headlamps;
- 2 (2) Front and rear turn signal lamps;
- 3 (3) Taillamps;
- 4 (4) Stop lamps;
- 5 (5) Reflex reflectors: one red on each side as far to the rear as practicable, and one red
- 6 on the rear;
- 7 (6) Rearview mirror;
- 8 (7) A parking brake; and
- 9 (8) A Vehicle Identification Number (VIN). The manufacturer certificate of origin or
- 10 vehicle title shall clearly identify the vehicle as a golf cart.

11 The department may not issue any vehicle identification number to any homemade golf cart.

12 Section 4. That chapter 32-5 be amended by adding thereto a NEW SECTION to read as
13 follows:

14 Any golf cart registered in accordance with § 32-5-5 shall be issued a license plate indicating
15 that the vehicle is a golf cart. The license fee and compensation for use of the highways payable
16 under § 32-5-5 is twenty dollars.

17 Section 5. That chapter 32-35 be amended by adding thereto a NEW SECTION to read as
18 follows:

19 The owner of each golf cart shall maintain insurance as required by § 32-35-113.

20 Section 6. That chapter 32-12 be amended by adding thereto a NEW SECTION to read as
21 follows:

22 Any person operating a golf cart registered pursuant to section 4 of this Act shall hold a
23 valid driver license.