

# State of South Dakota

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## HOUSE BILL NO. 1082

Introduced by: Representatives Olson (Betty), Greenfield, Hubbel, Jensen, Jones, Kopp, Russell, and Venner and Senators Maher and Sutton

1 FOR AN ACT ENTITLED, An Act to provide certain exceptions to Department of Game, Fish  
2 and Parks promulgated rules pertaining to the taking of mountain lions.

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

4 Section 1. If a person with a valid license to take a mountain lion encounters a mountain lion  
5 in the course of ordinary farming or ranching activities on land that the person owns or leases,  
6 the person may legally take the mountain lion regardless of whether dogs are present at the site  
7 and regardless of the type of firearm that the person utilizes to take the mountain lion. However,  
8 nothing in this Act waives any other statute or rule in regard to the hunting and taking of  
9 mountain lions.

10 Section 2. The provisions of this Act are retroactive to December 8, 2010. Any mountain  
11 lions taken in accordance with the provisions of section 1 of this Act is hereby validated  
12 notwithstanding the provisions of ARSD 41:06:61:06(4) and ARSD 41:06:61:06(5).

