## **State of South Dakota**

## EIGHTY-NINTH SESSION LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY, 2014

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## HOUSE BILL NO. 1139

Introduced by: Representative Hunhoff (Bernie) and Senator Novstrup (Al)

- 1 FOR AN ACT ENTITLED, An Act to limit the fees a government entity may charge a person
- 2 to provide public documents.
- 3 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF SOUTH DAKOTA:
- 4 Section 1. That § 1-27-35 be amended to read as follows:
- 5 1-27-35. Any informal request for disclosure of documents or records shall be made to the
- 6 custodian of the record. The custodian of the record may then provide the requestor with the
- 7 document or record upon payment of the actual cost of mailing or transmittal, the actual cost
- 8 of reproduction, or other fee established by statute or administrative rule. A requestor that makes
- 9 an informal request requiring the dedication of staff time in excess of one hour may be required
- 10 to pay the cost of the for staff time necessary for the location, assembly, or reproduction of the
- 11 public record. However, no such charge may exceed ten dollars per hour. If any records are
- 12 required or permitted to be made public upon request and no other rate is prescribed for
- reproduction or retrieval of such records, the Bureau of Administration shall establish, by rules
- promulgated pursuant to chapter 1-26, the maximum rate, or the formula for calculating rates,
- 15 for reproduction and retrieval.