



## 2023 South Dakota Legislature

# House Bill 1179

Introduced by: **Representative Perry**

1 **An Act to require members of the Legislature to attend a course on the federal and**  
2 **state constitutions.**

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

4 **Section 1. That chapter 2-9 be amended with a NEW SECTION:**

5 Each member elected to the Legislature, prior to the first day of the regular  
6 legislative session following the general election, shall attend, in-person or remotely, a  
7 two-hour course on the federal and state constitutions coordinated by the director of the  
8 Legislative Research Council. The director of the Legislative Research Council shall:

9 (1) Select the time and date of the course;

10 (2) Select a person to teach the course; and

11 (3) Determine the subject matter of the course.

12 A member of the Legislature who attends the course is not required to attend the  
13 course again if the member is elected or appointed to the Legislature for a subsequent  
14 term.