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2020 South Dakota Legislature

House Bill 1243

Introduced by: Representative Bordeaux

- An Act to require schools to provide instruction on South Dakota's tribal history, culture, and government.
- 3 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF SOUTH DAKOTA:
- 4 **Section 1.** That a NEW SECTION be added:

13-33-31. Tribal history, culture, and government--Requirement.

Beginning on July 1, 2021, each school in the state that is accredited by the Department of Education shall provide instruction on South Dakota's tribal history, culture, and government. To meet the requirement of this section, a school shall use the course content developed by the department under § 1-54-12. The school may modify the course content to incorporate elements that have a regionally specific focus or to incorporate the content into existing curriculum. To the extent possible, a school shall collaborate with any federally recognized Indian tribe located within the school district or with neighboring Indian tribes to incorporate expanded and improved curricular materials about Indian tribes, and to create programs of classroom and community cultural exchanges.