State of South Dakota

NINETY-SECOND SESSION LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY, 2017

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SENATE BILL NO. 126

Introduced by: Senators Jensen (Phil), Greenfield (Brock), Kolbeck, Langer, Maher, Monroe, Nelson, Netherton, Novstrup, Otten (Ernie), Russell, Stalzer, Tapio, Wiik, and Youngberg and Representatives May, Beal, Brunner, Campbell, Dennert, DiSanto, Frye-Mueller, Goodwin, Gosch, Greenfield (Lana), Haggar, Haugaard, Jamison, Jensen (Kevin), Kaiser, Karr, Latterell, Livermont, Marty, Pischke, Qualm, Rhoden, Schaefer, and Steinhauer

- 1 FOR AN ACT ENTITLED, An Act to require the Department of Education to use a competitive
- 2 bidding process when acquiring academic assessments.
- 3 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF SOUTH DAKOTA:
- 4 Section 1. That the code be amended by adding a NEW SECTION to read:
- 5 Before entering into any contract relating to the development or acquisition of academic
- 6 assessments to be administered in school districts pursuant to § 13-3-55, the Department of
- 7 Education shall utilize an open and competitive bid process. The department shall award the
- 8 contract to the lowest bidder that, in the opinion of the department, provides assessments that
- 9 are in the best interests of the State of South Dakota.