

# State of South Dakota

EIGHTY-NINTH SESSION  
LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY, 2014

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## SENATE BILL NO. 171

Introduced by: Senators Jones (Chuck), Bradford, Brown, Curd, Ewing, Heineman (Phyllis), Jensen, Jones (Tom), Kirkeby, Krebs, Lederman, Lucas, Maher, Monroe, Novstrup (Al), Omdahl, Rampelberg, Rave, Rhoden, Soholt, Welke, and White and Representatives Nelson, Anderson, Bartling, Bolin, Cammack, Campbell, Carson, Craig, Dryden, Ecklund, Erickson, Feickert, Gibson, Greenfield, Haggar (Don), Haggar (Jenna), Hawks, Hawley, Hickey, Hoffman, Hunhoff (Bernie), Johns, Kaiser, Killer, Kopp, Langer, Latterell, Magstadt, May, Novstrup (David), Olson (Betty), Otten (Herman), Parsley, Peterson, Qualm, Rasmussen, Ring, Rounds, Russell, Schaefer, Schoenfish, Schrempp, Soli, Stalzer, Steele, Stevens, Tulson, Tyler, Verchio, Werner, Wick, and Wink

1 FOR AN ACT ENTITLED, An Act to recognize certain federal forms as sufficient to direct the  
2 disposition of the body of a servicemember.

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

4 Section 1. That chapter 34-26 be amended by adding thereto a NEW SECTION to read as  
5 follows:

6 If a decedent dies while serving in any branch of the United States armed forces, the United  
7 States reserve forces, or the national guard, as provided by 10 U.S.C. 1481 section (a)(1) to (8),  
8 inclusive, and the decedent has designated a person authorized to direct disposition of human  
9 remains on a United States Department of Defense record of emergency (DD form 93), a  
10 successor form, or an equivalent form, the duty to bury the decedent or to provide other funeral



1 and disposition arrangements for the decedent devolves in the person designated by the  
2 decedent.