## **State of South Dakota**

## EIGHTY-EIGHTH SESSION LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY, 2013

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## SENATE BILL NO. 2

Introduced by: Senators Sutton, Maher, Rampelberg, Rhoden, and Tieszen and Representatives Olson (Betty), Hawley, Hoffman, Magstadt, Rozum, Schrempp, and Solum at the request of the Interim Oil and Gas Study Committee

- 1 FOR AN ACT ENTITLED, An Act to provide funding for unresolved surface depredation
- 2 caused by oil and gas exploration and to make an appropriation therefor.
- 3 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF SOUTH DAKOTA:
- 4 Section 1. There is hereby appropriated from the petroleum release compensation fund the
- 5 sum of three hundred thousand dollars (\$300,000), or so much thereof as may be necessary, to
- 6 the Department of Environment and Natural Resources to establish a program to assist property
- 7 owners with unresolved surface depredation issues resulting from oil and gas exploration
- 8 bankruptcy or insolvency. No property owner may receive more than thirty thousand dollars
- 9 through this program.
- Section 2. The secretary of environment and natural resources shall approve vouchers and
- the state auditor shall draw warrants to pay expenditures authorized by this Act.
- Section 3. Any amounts appropriated in this Act not lawfully expended or obligated by
- June 30, 2016, shall revert in accordance with the procedures prescribed in chapter 4-8.

