## **State of South Dakota**

## EIGHTY-EIGHTH SESSION LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY, 2013

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## SENATE BILL NO. 77

Introduced by: Senators Kirkeby, Adelstein, Frerichs, Krebs, Lederman, Lucas, Monroe, Rhoden, Tieszen, and Van Gerpen and Representatives Hickey, Campbell, Cronin, Dryden, Feinstein, Hoffman, Kopp, Munsterman, Novstrup (David), Rounds, and Solum

- 1 FOR AN ACT ENTITLED, An Act to require that certain information be provided to debtors
- when entities are collecting certain debts.
- 3 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF SOUTH DAKOTA:
- 4 Section 1. Any entity collecting or attempting to collect, directly or indirectly, debts owed
- 5 or due or asserted to be owed or due another for any medical expense shall contact the debtor
- 6 at least once in writing stipulating that the entity is contracted to collect on the obligation. The
- 7 entity shall provide a copy of the claim, invoice, or bill with a summary of the charges owed by
- 8 the debtor. If requested by the debtor, either orally or in writing, the entity shall provide a second
- 9 written notice including the copy of the claim, invoice, or bill.