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## HOUSE BILL NO. 1013

Introduced by: The Committee on Agriculture and Natural Resources at the request of the  
Department of Environment and Natural Resources

1 FOR AN ACT ENTITLED, An Act to authorize the Department of Environment and Natural  
2 Resources to accept certain documents submitted with electronic signatures.

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

4 Section 1. That chapter 1-40 be amended by adding thereto a NEW SECTION to read as  
5 follows:

6 The department may accept a document with an electronic signature if submitted in that  
7 form by the signatory to comply with state environmental regulatory requirements. The  
8 department shall provide for the authenticity of each electronic signature by adhering to any  
9 standards established by the Bureau of Information and Telecommunications pursuant to §§ 53-  
10 12-47 and 53-12-50 or any other standards the department may establish by rules promulgated  
11 pursuant to chapter 1-26. Any entity submitting a report to the department as required by the  
12 United States Environmental Protection Agency or a state environmental program approved by  
13 the United States Environmental Protection Agency may satisfy reporting requirements by  
14 cross-media electronic reporting in lieu of paper-based reporting as provided for by the United  
15 States Environmental Protection Agency pursuant to the standards promulgated in the Federal



- 1 Register, Vol. 70, No. 197 (October 13, 2005 - 40 CFR Parts 3, 9, 51 et al. - Cross-Media
- 2 Electronic Reporting; Final Rule).