

# State of South Dakota

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## HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 1011

Introduced by: Representatives Rasmussen, Bartling, Bolin, Cammack, Campbell, Carson, Conzet, Craig, Cronin, Dryden, Duvall, Ecklund, Erickson, Feickert, Gibson, Gosch, Greenfield, Haggar (Don), Haggar (Jenna), Hajek, Hansen, Hawks, Hawley, Heinemann (Leslie), Heinert, Hickey, Hoffman, Hunhoff (Bernie), Johns, Kirschman, Kopp, Latterell, Lust, Magstadt, May, Mickelson, Miller, Munsterman, Nelson, Novstrup (David), Olson (Betty), Otten (Herman), Peterson, Qualm, Ring, Romkema, Rounds, Rozum, Russell, Schaefer, Schoenfish, Schrempp, Sly, Soli, Solum, Stalzer, Steele, Stevens, Tulson, Tyler, Verchio, Werner, Westra, Wink, and Wismer and Senators Adelstein, Begalka, Bradford, Ewing, Frerichs, Jensen, Johnston, Jones, Kirkeby, Lederman, Maher, Novstrup (Al), Omdahl, Rampelberg, Rave, Sutton, and Welke

- 1 A CONCURRENT RESOLUTION, Encouraging pedestrians and bicyclists to wear bright  
2 colored clothing when using a public highway and for motorists to watch for pedestrians and  
3 bicyclists.
- 4 WHEREAS, in 2010, 4,280 pedestrians and 620 bicyclists were killed nationwide in traffic  
5 accidents; and
- 6 WHEREAS, pedestrian and bicyclist deaths make up approximately fourteen percent of all  
7 traffic fatalities nationwide; and
- 8 WHEREAS, more South Dakotans are walking and bicycling to improve their health and  
9 are using public highways to do so; and
- 10 WHEREAS, on many South Dakota highways with little or no highway shoulders the



1 exposed nature of walking and bicycling to motor vehicle traffic is high; and

2 WHEREAS, nationwide twenty-five percent of bicycle deaths occurred between 9:00 p.m.  
3 and 6:00 a.m. and another twenty-two percent occurred between 6:00 p.m. and 9:00 p.m.; and

4 WHEREAS, the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration suggests that pedestrians  
5 and bicyclists increase their visibility by wearing brightly colored clothing and placing reflective  
6 tape on their equipment or clothing; and

7 WHEREAS, educating pedestrians, bicyclists, and motorists about how to safely share a  
8 public highway is more effective than enacting additional legislation:

9 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the House of Representatives of the Eighty-  
10 Eighth Legislature of the State of South Dakota, the Senate concurring therein, in order to  
11 increase safety for pedestrians and bicyclists who use public highways in the state, that  
12 pedestrians and bicyclists be urged to wear brightly colored clothing and place reflective tape  
13 on their equipment when using public highways; and that motorists be advised to closely watch  
14 for pedestrians and bicyclists who are using public highways of the state.