State of South Dakota

NINETY-THIRD SESSION LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY, 2018

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SENATE BILL NO. 106

Introduced by: Senators Jensen (Phil), Bolin, Greenfield (Brock), Kolbeck, Maher, Monroe, Nelson, Netherton, and Partridge and Representatives Greenfield (Lana), Campbell, Dennert, Diedrich, DiSanto, Frye-Mueller, Gosch, Howard, Latterell, May, Pischke, Rasmussen, and Zikmund

- 1 FOR AN ACT ENTITLED, An Act to establish certain provisions regarding the placement of
- 2 a foster child with a relative or close family friend.
- 3 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF SOUTH DAKOTA:
- 4 Section 1. That chapter 26-6 be amended by adding a NEW SECTION to read:
- 5 If a child has been removed from his or her home and is in the care, custody, or guardianship
- of the Department of Social Services, the department shall attempt to place the child with a
- 7 relative of the child or close family friend who is not related by birth, adoption, or marriage to
- 8 the child but who has an emotionally significant relationship with the child.