



2024 South Dakota Legislature

Senate Bill 161

Introduced by: **Senator Bordeaux**

1 **An Act to incorporate the Oceti Sakowin Essential Understandings in the social**
2 **studies curriculum.**

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

4 **Section 1. That § 13-1-51 be AMENDED:**

5 **13-1-51.** The Board of Education Standards ~~may~~shall promulgate rules, pursuant
6 to chapter 1-26, to provide for a social studies curriculum and coursework in South Dakota
7 American Indian history and culture that incorporates the Oceti Sakowin Essential
8 Understandings and provides an opportunity for all elementary and secondary students to
9 focus on the heritage and history of the nine federally recognized tribes in this state.

10 In meeting the requirements of this section, the board shall consult with the South
11 Dakota Indian Education Advisory Council.