## **State of South Dakota**

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## Senate education engrossed no. SB 63 - 01/26/2016

Introduced by: Senators Tidemann, Frerichs, Heinert, Novstrup (David), Parsley, and Solano and Representatives Munsterman, Bartling, Brunner, Dryden, Gosch, Hawley, Jensen (Alex), Kirschman, Langer, and Schrempp

- 1 FOR AN ACT ENTITLED, An Act to require the development of school safety plans and to
- 2 require the conduct of lockdown drills in accredited schools.
- 3 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF SOUTH DAKOTA:
- 4 Section 1. That the code be amended by adding a NEW SECTION to read:
- 5 Each accredited school shall, by August 1, 2016, develop a school safety plan. The plan shall
- 6 be developed by a school safety team appointed by the superintendent of the accredited school.
- 7 The team shall consist of the building principal, a teacher, a counselor, the school resource
- 8 officer or another law enforcement official if a school resource officer is not available, an
- 9 emergency management professional, a member of the local fire department, and a custodian
- 10 at the school.
- 11 Section 2. That the code be amended by adding a NEW SECTION to read:
- Once the school safety plan is developed, the school safety team shall meet to ensure the
- plan is being followed and to institute any needed changes in the plan, protocol, or procedures
- surrounding emergency and crisis planning within the school building.



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- 1 Section 3. That the code be amended by adding a NEW SECTION to read:
- In addition to preparing the school safety plan, each accredited school shall conduct a
- 3 lockdown drill at least once per year. The date and time of the lockdown drill shall be recorded
- 4 and kept on file in the offices of both the school and the school district superintendent. The
- 5 lockdown drill shall be conducted in the presence of the building principal or vice-principal, the
- 6 school resource officer or another law enforcement official if a school resource officer is
- 7 unavailable, and any other persons requested to assist.
- 8 Section 4. That the code be amended by adding a NEW SECTION to read:
- 9 At each accredited school, at least one annual meeting shall be conducted to review and
- update the school's emergency and crisis response plans, protocols, and procedures. Each
- meeting shall include members of the school safety team and any other individual helping to
- build the school safety plan, and they shall be provided notice of the meeting by the building
- principal at least thirty days in advance. The superintendent of the accredited school shall keep
- accurate minutes of each meeting that include any changes that are made to the school safety
- plan at the meeting.