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Introduced by: Senators Tidemann, Brown, Curd, Haggar (Jenna), Haverly, Heinert, Holien, Hunhoff (Bernie), Lederman, Novstrup (David), Olson, Peters, Rave, Rusch, Solano, and Vehle and Representatives Munsterman, Bartling, Brunner, Conzet, Cronin, Deutsch, Gosch, Hawks, Hawley, Jensen (Alex), Kirschman, Langer, McCleerey, Mickelson, Otten (Herman), Peterson (Kent), Qualm, Rasmussen, Rounds, Schoenbeck, Schoenfish, Solum, Verchio, Westra, Wiik, Willadsen, and Zikmund

- 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. Each accredited school shall, by August 1, 2015, develop a school safety plan.
- 5 The plan shall be developed by a school safety team appointed by the superintendent of the
- 6 accredited school. The team shall consist of the building principal, a teacher, a counselor, the
- 7 school resource officer or another law enforcement official if a school resource officer is not
- 8 available, an emergency management professional, a member of the local fire department, and
- 9 a custodian at the school.
- Section 2. 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
- 12 procedures surrounding emergency and crisis planning within the school building.



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Section 3. In addition to preparing the school safety plan, each accredited school shall conduct a lockdown drill at least once per year. The date and time of the lockdown drill shall be recorded and kept on file in the offices of both the school and the school district superintendent. The lockdown drill shall be conducted in the presence of the building principal or vice-principal, the school resource officer or another law enforcement official if a school resource officer is unavailable, and any other persons requested to assist.

Section 4. 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.