



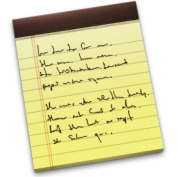
LEGISLATIVE UPDATE

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Issue # 1



2022 LEGISLATIVE NOTES



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The 97th South Dakota Legislative Session opened on January 11th, 2022 with new legislators and an administration starting its fourth year. For your Association, it is another opportunity to improve legislation relating to townships throughout South Dakota.

While I do expect many more bills to be introduced, the current bill count is lower with 69 House Bills and 84 Senate Bills introduced to date. This will change dramatically in the coming weeks as legislators have until February 2 to introduce individual bills and resolutions.

In Governor Noem's fourth State of the State address, she addressed various topics including the importance to improve workforce housing, provide a six percent increase to the pay of teachers, state employees, and health care providers, grants for startup daycares, a focus on cybersecurity, and most importantly, as it relates to your Association, an emphasis to continue to improve infrastructure throughout the state.

At this point there are a few bills introduced that may be of interest to your Association. First, your Association may find **SB 40** to be of interest. This bill creates new sections of law pertaining to safety standards of biogas gathering lines. The bill states that persons who engage in the intrastate transportation of gas through biogas gathering lines or who construct, operate, or maintain biogas gathering line facilities shall provide notice of the construction and operation to the affected counties, and townships and municipalities within an affected county.

Additionally, **HB 1016** appropriates from the general fund the sum of \$2,946,882 to the special emergency and disaster special revenue fund for costs related to disasters in the state.

Finally, **SB 50** appropriates \$60,000,000 in federal fund expenditure authority to the Bureau of Administration for the

purpose of providing funding for eligible state agency water, wastewater, and stormwater projects. As time goes on, I am certain there will be more bills of interest to your Association.

The most important part of this legislative session will be the Association's bill modifying the Rural Access Infrastructure Fund, which will be introduced to the legislature soon. It is your Association's intent of using this bill to broaden the use of monies in the Rural Access Infrastructure Fund, particularly to minimum maintenance roads. Your Association leadership and I have been diligently working with Representative Finck to ensure accuracy with this bill. Additionally, your Association intends on dropping a couple of additional bills which include the ability to remove crops in right of ways and increasing the pay of a township board member overseer. Your Association leadership and I have been in contact with Representative Roger Chase who intends to be the prime sponsor of these additional bills.

Your Association leadership and I will be working diligently to talk to the appropriate legislators, groups, and departments to lobby in favor of our legislation.

I am happy to once again represent your Association in Pierre. I am certain there will be many interesting things to report in the near future.

BILLS OF INTEREST:

SB 40 To establish safety standards regarding biogas gathering lines.

Sponsors: The Committee on Commerce and Energy at the request of the South Dakota Public Utilities Commission.

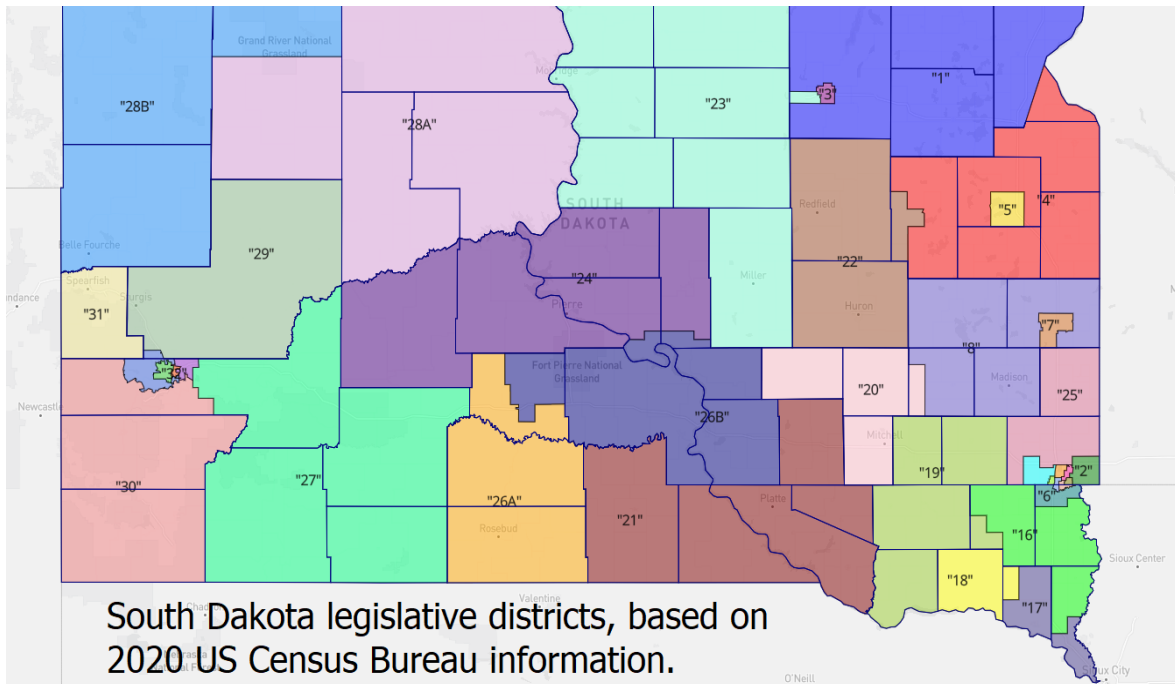
97th SOUTH DAKOTA LEGISLATIVE SESSION CALENDAR

2022 ♦ 38 Legislative Days



Please refer to the Joint Rules, Chapter 17 for complete information.

	Sun	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Sat
January 2022							1
	2	3	4	5	6	7	8
	9	10	11 Session Opens 12 Noon(CST) State of the State L.D. 1	12 State of the Judiciary L.D. 2	13 State of the Tribes L.D. 3	14 L.D. 4	15
	16	17 Martin Luther King Jr. Day	18 Executive orders filed (Constitution, Art. IV, Sec. 8) L.D. 5	19 L.D. 6	20 Jt. Memorial Service 3:00pm L.D. 7	21 Concurrent/House/Senate Resolutions limited introduction deadline (J.R. 6B-3) (TWO HOURS prior to session) L.D. 8	22
	23	24	25 Bill and joint resolution draft requests submitted to LRC by 3:00pm (for unlimited introduction) L.D. 9	26 L.D. 10	27 Last day for unlimited bill & joint resolution introduction (J.R. 6B-3) (TWO HOURS prior to session) L.D. 12	28	29
	30	31 All bill and joint resolution draft requests submitted to LRC by 3:00pm L.D. 13	1 Committee bill and joint resolution requests due to LRC by 3:00pm L.D. 14	2 Last day for introduction of individual bills and joint resolutions (TWO HOURS prior to session) L.D. 15	3 Last day for introduction of committee bills and joint resolutions (TWO HOURS prior to session) L.D. 16	4 L.D. 17	5
February 2022	6	7 L.D. 18	8 L.D. 19	9 L.D. 20	10 L.D. 21	11	12
	13	14 L.D. 22	15 Last day for JCA selection of general fund revenue targets (J.R. 7-11.1) L.D. 23	16 L.D. 24	17 Last day to use J.R. 5-17 L.D. 25	18	19
	20	21 Presidents' Day	22 Concurrent resolution requests due to LRC by 3:00pm, AND Last day to move required delivery of bills or resolutions by a committee to the house of origin L.D. 26	23 Last day to pass bills or joint resolutions by the house of origin (Crossover Day) L.D. 27	24 Last day for final introduction of concurrent/House/Senate resolutions (TWO HOURS prior to session) L.D. 28	25 L.D. 29	26
	27	28 Last day for house of origin to pass special appropriation bills referred from JCA (JR 17-1), AND Commemoration requests due to LRC by 3:00pm L.D. 30	1 L.D. 31	2 Last day for introduction of commemorations (TWO HOURS prior to session), AND J.R. 5-13 in effect L.D. 32	3 Last day to move required delivery of bills or joint resolutions by a committee to the second house L.D. 33	4	5
March 2022	6	7 Last day for a bill or joint resolution to pass both houses L.D. 34	8 L.D. 35	9 L.D. 36	10 L.D. 37	11	12
	13	14	15	16	17	18	19
	20	21	22	23	24	25	26
	27	28 Reserved for consideration of gubernatorial vetoes L.D. 38	29	30	31	1	2



SOUTH
DAKOTA
LEGISLATIVE
DISTRICT
MAP

South Dakota legislative districts, based on 2020 US Census Bureau information.

TOWNSHIP CALENDAR

- January 11th- Legislative Session Opens**
- February 2 - SDATAT Ice Cream Social at the Capital**
- Feb 22- Required Township meeting**
- March 1st - Required Township Annual Meeting (SDCL 8-3-1)**
- April 1st- SDATAT Scholarship Applications Due**
- April 15 - SDATAT Bond Applications Due**
- July 15 - Opt Outs Due**

IMPORTANT CONTACT INFORMATION

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