State of South Dakota

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HOUSE BILL NO. 1197

Introduced by: Representatives Fryslie, Davis, Gassman, Haverly, Howie, Hunhoff, Koistinen, Kroger, McLaughlin, Nelson, Sebert, Sigdestad, Street, Tornow, and Willadsen and Senators Greenfield, Apa, Broderick, and Gray

- 1 FOR AN ACT ENTITLED, An Act to continue certain restrictions on the use of artificial lights
- 2 to hunt or locate wild animals.
- 3 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF SOUTH DAKOTA:
- 4 Section 1. That chapter 41-8 be amended by adding thereto a NEW SECTION to read as
- 5 follows:
- 6 Except as provided for by the provisions of § 41-8-17, between 10 p.m. and sunrise, from
- 7 September first to January thirty-first, inclusive, no person may cast the rays of a spotlight or
- 8 other artificial light except headlights in any field, pasture, woodland, forest, or prairie to spot,
- 9 locate, take, or attempt to take any wild animal except to take raccoons under the provisions of
- 10 § 41-8-17. It is not a violation of this section for a landowner or occupant and one guest to use
- a spotlight or other artificial light on the owner's or occupant's land, or for any person employed
- by the Department of Game, Fish and Parks to use night vision equipment or artificial lights
- while in the performance of the person's duty. Any violation of this section is a Class 2
- 14 misdemeanor.

