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SENATE BILL NO. 83

Introduced by: Senators Knudson, Adelstein, Dempster, Hansen (Tom), Hanson (Gary), Kelly, Kooistra, Nesselhuf, and Olson (Ed) and Representatives Thompson, Bradford, Cutler, Elliott, Faehn, Garnos, Gassman, Glover, Hennies, McCoy, McLaughlin, Miles, Murschel, Nelson, Olson (Ryan), Roberts, Street, Tornow, and Van Norman

- 1 FOR AN ACT ENTITLED, An Act to increase the length of time for which nationally certified
- 2 teachers may receive stipends.
- 3 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF SOUTH DAKOTA:
- 4 Section 1. That § 13-42-26 be amended to read as follows:
- 5 13-42-26. The Department of Education shall establish a program to reimburse public school
- 6 teachers for the application and processing fee for the National Board for Professional Teaching
- 7 Standards certification process. The reimbursement shall include any federal funds that may be
- 8 available through a candidate subsidy program. The reimbursement shall be paid upon receipt
- 9 of documentation that the teacher successfully completed all certification requirements and was
- 10 awarded the credential.
- In addition to the reimbursement provided pursuant to this section, a teacher who teaches
- in a public school and who has obtained certification by the National Board for Professional
- 13 Teaching Standards shall receive a payment of two thousand dollars per year for five years. The
- stipend shall be paid as follows:



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- 1 (1) One thousand dollars from the Department of Education;
- 2 (2) One thousand dollars from the school district where the teacher is employed.
- Once the first five years is complete, the school district that employs the teacher may opt to
- 4 continue the payments during the period of the next five years. If, during that period, the school
- 5 district pays the teacher one thousand dollars per year, the Department of Education shall also
- 6 pay the teacher one thousand dollars per year. However, the department is not required to pay
- 7 a teacher its share of the stipend authorized by this section during years six to ten unless the
- 8 school district employing the teachers opts to pay its share of the stipend.
- 9 The Board of Education shall adopt rules, pursuant to chapter 1-26, to establish guidelines
- 10 necessary to implement the program.