



2021 South Dakota Legislature

Senate Bill 80

Introduced by: **Senator Bolin**

1 **An Act to provide for counties and municipalities in the legislative redistricting**
2 **process.**

3 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF SOUTH DAKOTA:

4 **Section 1.** That § 2-2-41 be AMENDED.

5 **2-2-41. Legislative policy in redistricting.**

6 The Legislature, in making the ~~2011~~ 2021 redistricting, determines, as a matter of
7 policy, that the following principles are of primary significance:

- 8 (1) Adherence to standards of population deviance as established by judicial precedent
9 and to standards of population deviance as prescribed by S.D. Const., Art. III, § 5;
- 10 (2) Protection of communities of interest by means of compact and contiguous districts;
- 11 (3) Respect for geographical and political boundaries, specifically, counties and
12 municipalities; and
- 13 (4) Protection of minority voting rights consistent with the United States Constitution,
14 the South Dakota Constitution, and federal statutes, as interpreted by the United
15 States Supreme Court and other courts with jurisdiction.