## 2021 South Dakota Legislature

## House Bill 1150

AMENDMENT 1150B FOR THE INTRODUCED BILL

1	An Act	to revise certain provisions regarding the crime of rape and provide
2	d	efinitions regarding the crime of rape.
3	Be it e	NACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF SOUTH DAKOTA:
4	Section	<b>1.</b> That § 22-22-1 be AMENDED.
5	2	2-22-1. RapePenaltyStatute of limitations.
6		Rape is an act of sexual penetration accomplished with any person under any of
7	the f	ollowing circumstances:
8	(1)	If the victim is less than thirteen years of age; or
9	(2)	Through the use of force, coercion, or threats of immediate and great bodily harm
10		against the victim or other persons within the victim's presence, accompanied by
11		apparent power of execution; or
12	(3)	If the victim is incapable, because of physical or mental incapacity, of giving consent
13		to such act, but if the victim is incapable of giving consent because of mental
14		incapacity, the perpetrator knows or reasonably should know of the victim's mental
15		incapacity; or
16	(4)	If the victim is incapable of giving consent because of any intoxicating, narcotic, or
17		anesthetic agent or hypnosis the victim is incapacitated and the perpetrator knows
18		or reasonably should know the victim is incapacitated; or
19	(5)	If the victim is thirteen years of age, but less than sixteen years of age, and the
20		perpetrator is at least three years older than the victim <del>.; or</del>
21	<u>(6)</u>	If the victim is not aware, does not know, does not perceive, or is not cognizant of
22		the essential characteristics of the act based upon fraud or misrepresentation.
23	А	violation of subdivision (1) of this section is rape in the first degree, which is a Class
24	C fel	ony.
25	А	violation of subdivision (2) of this section is rape in the second degree which is a
26	Class 1 felony.	

1 A violation of subdivision (3),  $\frac{1}{2}$  (4), or (6) of this section is rape in the third degree, 2 which is a Class 2 felony. 3 A violation of subdivision (5) of this section is rape in the fourth degree, which is a 4 Class 3 felony. 5 To any charge brought pursuant to subdivisions (1) or (5) of this section, it is not a 6 defense that the perpetrator did not know the victim's age or was misinformed regarding 7 the victim's age. 8 Notwithstanding the provisions of  $\S$  23A-42-2, no statute of limitations applies to any 9 charge brought pursuant to subdivisions (1) or (2) of this section. Otherwise a charge 10 brought pursuant to this section may be commenced at any time prior to the time before the victim becomes of reaches the age twenty-five or within seven years of from the 11 12 commission of the crime, whichever is longer. Section 2. That a NEW SECTION be added: 13 14 22-22-1.5. Definitions. 15 Terms used in § 22-22-1 mean: "Coercion," the use of express or implied threats of violence, or reprisal, or other 16 (1)intimidating behavior, which put a person in reasonable fear of the consequences, 17 in order to compel that person to act against the person's will; 18 "Consent," positive cooperation in act or attitude, pursuant to an exercise of free 19 (2) will, which requires words or overt actions, by a person, indicating a freely given 20 21 agreement, provided: 22 The person acts freely and voluntarily and has knowledge of the nature of (a) 23 the act or transaction involved; 24 (b) It is an affirmative, unambiguous, and voluntary agreement to engage in a 25 specific sexual activity, during a sexual encounter, and that can be revoked 26 at any time; and 27 Lack of consent. Consent, or lack thereof, may be inferred based on all the (c) 28 surrounding circumstances and must be considered in determining whether 29 a person gave consent; 30 <del>(d)</del> No person under the age of sixteen is capable of consenting to sexual 31 activity; and 32 It is not a defense that the offender did not know the person's age or was <del>(e)</del> misinformed regarding the person's age; 33

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