

AN ACT

ENTITLED, An Act to criminalize the failure to report the death or disappearance of a child within a specified time by certain persons responsible for the care of the child.

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

Section 1. That chapter 22-11 be amended by adding thereto a NEW SECTION to read as follows:

Any parent, legal guardian, or caretaker who knowingly fails to notify law enforcement within forty-eight hours of learning that a child, in his or her care and less than thirteen years of age, is missing is guilty of a Class 1 misdemeanor.

Section 2. That chapter 22-11 be amended by adding thereto a NEW SECTION to read as follows:

Any parent, legal guardian, or caretaker who knowingly fails to notify law enforcement within six hours of learning of the death of a minor child in his or her care is guilty of a Class 5 felony. This section does not apply to any health care provider or to any facility licensed pursuant to chapter 34-12.

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I certify that the attached Act
originated in the

SENATE as Bill No. 43

Secretary of the Senate
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President Pro Tempore of the
Senate

Attest:

Secretary of the Senate

Speaker of the House

Attest:

Chief Clerk

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By _____
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The attached Act is hereby
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Governor
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STATE OF SOUTH DAKOTA,
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Secretary of State

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