



2023 South Dakota Legislature

House Bill 1019

Introduced by: The Committee on Agriculture and Natural Resources at the request of the Department of Game, Fish and Parks

1 **An Act to repeal certain requirements for Game, Fish and Parks licensing agents.**

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

3 **Section 1. That § 41-6-59 be REPEALED:**

4 ~~Any agent, who has been appointed in the previous year to sell licenses and~~
 5 ~~permits, is not required to furnish a bond or other security but shall pay the department~~
 6 ~~an annual fee of twenty five dollars. Any agent, who was not appointed in the previous~~
 7 ~~year to sell the licenses and permits, shall be bonded or shall furnish security equal to the~~
 8 ~~total value of the licenses issued to the agent at any one time. A certificate of deposit,~~
 9 ~~money order, or other negotiable instrument issued by a bank, savings and loan~~
 10 ~~association, or a credit union bearing the agent's social security number or employer~~
 11 ~~identification number payable to the department is sufficient security. If an agent fails to~~
 12 ~~timely pay the amount owed to the department, the department may cash the certificate~~
 13 ~~and satisfy the amount owed to the department and remit the balance to the agent. If the~~
 14 ~~agent has paid all the fees owed and requests a return of the certificate of deposit, money~~
 15 ~~order, or other negotiable instrument, the department shall endorse it payable to the~~
 16 ~~agent and return it to the agent. No agent who defaults on payment of the amount owed~~
 17 ~~to the department may be appointed an agent until the unpaid amount, plus interest at~~
 18 ~~the Category B rate of interest as defined in § 54-3-16, is paid.~~

19 **Section 2. That § 41-6-68 be REPEALED:**

20 ~~Any agent appointed by the department shall promptly transmit such reports as~~
 21 ~~may be required by the Game, Fish and Parks Commission or the department, together~~
 22 ~~with all license fees received during the accounting period designated by the department~~
 23 ~~to be deposited in the game, fish and parks fund.~~