



## 2023 South Dakota Legislature

# Senate Bill 142

SENATE AGRICULTURE AND NATURAL RESOURCES ENGROSSED

Introduced by: **Senator** Castleberry

1 **An Act to prohibit certain persons from using the title veterinary technician.**

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

3 **Section 1. That chapter 36-12 be amended with a NEW SECTION:**

4 A person who is not registered as a veterinary technician by the State Board of  
 5 Veterinary Medical Examiners, or whose registration is suspended or revoked, may not:

6 (1) Assume or use the title veterinary technician; or

7 (2) Advertise or otherwise represent oneself as a veterinary technician.

8 A veterinarian may not advertise or otherwise represent an employee as a  
 9 veterinary technician unless the employee is registered by the State Board of Veterinary  
 10 Medical Examiners as a veterinary technician.

11 A violation of this section is a Class 2 misdemeanor.