

2023 South Dakota Legislature

Senate Bill 200 ENROLLED

An Act

ENTITLED An Act to authorize participation in contracts by certain board members and employees of water districts.

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

Section 1. That chapter 46A-9 be amended with a NEW SECTION:

The board may authorize a director, or an employee of the water user district whose responsibilities include approving, awarding, or administering a contract on behalf of the district, to be a party to a contract or derive a direct benefit from a contract with the district, if:

- (1) The person provides a written disclosure of the person's interest to the board;
- (2) The board reviews the terms of the contract and the person's obligations and benefits under the contract;
- (3) The board determines that the contract is fair and reasonable to the district and not contrary to the public interest; and
- (4) The board adopts a resolution of approval that is in written form and retained as a public record.

Section 2. That chapter 46A-9 be amended with a NEW SECTION:

For purposes of section 1 of this Act, a direct benefit from a contract is derived if the director or employee, the spouse of the director or employee, or any other person with whom the director or employee lives and commingles assets:

- (1) Has more than a five percent ownership interest in an entity that is a party to the contract;
- (2) Derives income, compensation, or commission directly from the contract or from an entity that is a party to the contract;
- (3) Acquires real or personal property under the contract; or
- (4) Serves as a director on the board of a for-profit entity that:

- (a) Derives income or a commission from the contract; or
- (b) Acquires real or personal property under the contract.

A direct benefit is not derived solely from the value associated with any investment or holdings by a director or employee, the spouse of the director or employee, or any other person with whom the director or employee lives and commingles assets. An Act to authorize participation in contracts by certain board members and employees of water districts.

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I certify that the attached Act originated in the: Senate as Bill No. 200	Received at this Executive Office this, 2023 atM.
Secretary of the Senate	By for the Governor
President of the Senate Attest:	The attached Act is hereby approved this day of, A.D., 2023
Secretary of the Senate	Governor STATE OF SOUTH DAKOTA, SS.
Speaker of the House Attest:	Office of the Secretary of State Filed, 2023 at o'clockM.
Chief Clerk	Secretary of State
Senate Bill No. <u>200</u> File No Chapter No	By Asst. Secretary of State