



2025 South Dakota Legislature  
**House Concurrent Resolution**  
**6005**  
**ENROLLED**

AN ACT

**A CONCURRENT RESOLUTION, Encouraging the board of each school district in this state to develop and implement a policy that limits the use of cellular telephones and other electronic communication devices during instructional time.**

WHEREAS, national studies show that using cellular telephones or other electronic communication devices during instructional time may disrupt and distract from the learning environment, negatively impact test scores, and affect a student's long-term ability to retain information; and

WHEREAS, the board of a school district may regulate the use of cellular telephones or other electronic communication devices on school property; and

WHEREAS, it is in the best interest of students, administrators, teachers, and other school employees to minimize distractions and disruptions during instructional time, and to increase a student's academic proficiency;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the House of Representatives of the One Hundredth Legislature of the State of South Dakota, the Senate concurring therein, that the board of each school district in this state is strongly encouraged to adopt a policy limiting the use of cellular telephones and other electronic communication devices during instructional time; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the board of each school district in this state is strongly encouraged to provide training and support to all faculty and staff employed by the school district to ensure that the faculty and staff are aware of the policy, understand the importance of the policy, and acknowledge the expectation that the faculty and staff will comply with the terms and conditions of the policy.

Adopted by the House of Representatives,  
Concurred in by the Senate,

February 4, 2025  
February 11, 2025

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Jon Hansen  
Speaker of the House

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Chief Clerk

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of the Senate

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