



## 2026 South Dakota Legislature

# House Bill 1043

*Introduced by: The Chair of the House Committee on Appropriations at the request of the Department of Health*

1 **An Act to make an appropriation to reimburse health care professionals who have**  
2 **complied with the requirements for rural recruitment assistance programs,**  
3 **and to declare an emergency.**

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

5 **Section 1.** There is appropriated \$978,294 from the general fund to the Department of  
6 Health, for the purpose of reimbursing four family physicians, two physician assistants, and  
7 six nurse practitioners who have, in the determination of the department, met the  
8 requirements of § 34-12G-3.

9 **Section 2.** There is appropriated \$370,000 from the general fund to the Department of  
10 Health, for the purpose of reimbursing eligible health care professionals who have, in the  
11 determination of the department, met the requirements of § 34-12G-12.

12 **Section 3.** The secretary of the Department of Health shall approve vouchers and the state  
13 auditor shall draw warrants to pay expenditures authorized by this Act.

14 **Section 4.** Any amounts appropriated in this Act not lawfully expended or obligated shall  
15 revert in accordance with the procedures prescribed in chapter 4-8.

16 **Section 5.** Whereas, this Act is necessary for the support of the state government and its  
17 existing public institutions, an emergency is hereby declared to exist, and this Act shall be in  
18 full force and effect from and after its passage and approval.