



**SOUTH DAKOTA RETIREMENT SYSTEM**

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January 8, 2026

Mr. Travis W. Almond  
Executive Director  
South Dakota Retirement System  
222 East Capitol Avenue  
Pierre, South Dakota 57501-1098

**Re: South Dakota 2026 Legislative Session – Senate Bill 52**

Dear Travis:

Senate Bill 52 clarifies the administration of South Dakota Retirement System disability benefits.

Senate Bill 52 does not impact the benefits paid from SDRS and will have no material impact on the liabilities or assets of SDRS.

Sincerely,

Douglas J. Fiddler, A.S.A., E.A., M.A.A.A., F.C.A.  
Senior Actuary

c: Mr. John Richter, SDRS  
Ms. Michelle Mikkelsen, SDRS