



## 2026 South Dakota Legislature

# Senate Bill 103

Introduced by: **Senator Carley**

1 **An Act to address the assumption of risk by an individual present at a shooting**  
 2 **range.**

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

4 **Section 1. That a NEW SECTION be added to chapter 20-9:**

5 An individual present at a shooting range assumes all associated risks, to the extent  
 6 the risks are obvious and inherent. Those risks include injuries that may result from:

7 (1) Noise;

8 (2) The discharge of any projectile or shot;

9 (3) A malfunction of shooting equipment not owned by the sport shooting range;

10 (4) Natural variations in terrain;

11 (5) Surface or subsurface snow or ice conditions; and

12 (6) Bare spots, rocks, trees, and other forms of natural growth or debris.

13 For purposes of this section, a "shooting range" means an area designed and  
 14 operated for the use of pistols, rifles, or shotguns, as a means of silhouette, skeet, trap,  
 15 black powder, or other shooting, and archery. A shooting range may be located on public  
 16 or private land, may be operated by a public or a private entity, and includes a law  
 17 enforcement shooting range.