



2026 South Dakota Legislature

House Bill 1108

Introduced by: **Representative Stevens**

1 **An Act to allow for the sealing of court files in dismissed protection order cases.**

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

3 **Section 1. That a NEW SECTION be added to chapter 22-19A:**

4 If the court dismisses a petition filed pursuant to § 22-19A-8, either initially or
5 after a hearing held pursuant to § 22-19A-10, the court may then grant the immediate
6 sealing of the court file containing the petition.

7 **Section 2. That a NEW SECTION be added to chapter 25-10:**

8 If the court dismisses a petition filed pursuant to § 25-10-3, either initially or after
9 a hearing held pursuant to § 25-10-4, the court may then grant the immediate sealing of
10 the court file containing the petition.