



## 2026 South Dakota Legislature

# House Bill 1076

HOUSE JUDICIARY ENGROSSED

Introduced by: **Representative** Gosch

1 **An Act to revise restrictions on residence within a community safety zone and to**  
2 **declare an emergency.**

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

4 **Section 1. That § 22-24B-23 be AMENDED:**

5 **22-24B-23.** No person who is required to register as a sex offender pursuant to  
6 this chapter may establish a residence or reside within a community safety zone unless:

- 7 (1) The person is incarcerated in a jail or prison or other correctional placement which  
8 is located within a community safety zone;
- 9 (2) The person is on parole or probation and has been assigned to a halfway house or  
10 supervised living center within a community safety zone;
- 11 (3) The person is homeless and has been admitted to a community homeless shelter  
12 within a community safety zone by an appropriate community official;
- 13 (4) The person is placed in a health care facility licensed pursuant to chapter 34-12,  
14 or certified under Title XVIII or XIX of the Social Security Act as amended to  
15 December 31, 2001, or receiving services from a community service provider  
16 accredited or certified by the Department of Human Services or the Department of  
17 Social Services, which is located within a community safety zone;
- 18 (5) The person was under age eighteen at the time of the offense and the offender  
19 was not tried and convicted of the offense as an adult;
- 20 (6) The person established and inhabited the residence as of:  
21 (a) July 1, ~~2024~~ 2006, if the community safety zone includes a school, public  
22 park, public playground, or public pool; or  
23 (b) July 1, 2024, if the community safety zone includes a domestic abuse  
24 shelter or sexual assault shelter;

1       (7)     The school, public park, public pool, domestic abuse shelter, sexual assault shelter,  
2             or public playground was built or established subsequent to the person's  
3             establishing residence at the location; or

4       (8)     The circuit court has entered an order pursuant to § 22-24B-28 exempting the  
5             offender from the provisions of §§ 22-24B-22 to 22-24B-28, inclusive.

6             A violation of this section is a Class 6 felony. Any subsequent violation is a Class 5  
7       felony.

8       **Section 2.** Whereas, this Act is necessary for the immediate preservation of the public peace,  
9       health, or safety, an emergency is hereby declared to exist, and this Act shall be in full force  
10      and effect from and after its passage and approval.