



## 2026 South Dakota Legislature

# House Bill 1147

Introduced by: **Representative Muckey**

1 **An Act to make an appropriation for the purchase and distribution of food by a**  
2 **statewide distribution organization.**

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

4 **Section 1.** There is appropriated \$5,000,000 from the general fund, to the Department of  
5 Agriculture and Natural Resources, to provide a single grant to a South Dakota-based  
6 statewide food distribution organization which distributes food to all counties of the state for  
7 the purchase and distribution of food and the subsequent distribution to food pantries  
8 throughout this state.

9 **Section 2.** The department shall require the grantee to utilize at least \$1,500,000 of the  
10 grant to purchase food from local farmers and other eligible producers in this state. The  
11 department shall provide guidance regarding the qualifications of farmers and producers, for  
12 purposes of this section.

13 **Section 3.** By November first of each year, the department shall provide an annual report to  
14 the special committee created in § 4-8A-2 until the grantee has spent the entire grant  
15 amount. The report must include the amount of the grant spent each fiscal year, the type and  
16 amount of food purchased with the grant, and the organizations to which the food was  
17 distributed.

18 **Section 4.** The secretary of the Department of Agriculture and Natural Resources shall  
19 approve vouchers and the state auditor shall draw warrants to pay expenditures authorized  
20 in this Act.

21 **Section 5.** Any amounts appropriated in this Act not lawfully expended or obligated shall  
22 revert in accordance with the procedures prescribed in chapter 4-8.

23 **Section 6.** This Act is effective beginning June 30, 2026.