



2026 South Dakota Legislature

Senate Bill 148

Introduced by: **Senator Reed**

1 **An Act to terminate bounty payments for the control of nest predation.**

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

3 **Section 1. That § 40-36-9 be AMENDED:**

4 **40-36-9.** ~~The~~Except as otherwise provided for in this section, the Department of
5 Game, Fish and Parks may direct or employ personnel and conduct programs, and the
6 Game, Fish and Parks Commission may adopt, pursuant to chapter 1-26-necessary, rules
7 to control foxes, coyotes, feral dogs, prairie dogs, and other wild animals. The expense
8 thereof shall must be paid out of the ~~Department of Game, Fish and Parks~~ department of
9 game, fish and parks fund or the state animal damage control fund.

10 Nothing in this section authorizes the expenditure of moneys as a bounty for the
11 taking of any badger, opossum, racoon, striped skunk, red fox, or other animal, if the
12 purpose for the taking is the control of nest predation.

13 **Section 2. That § 41-2-35 be AMENDED:**

14 **41-2-35.** ~~All~~Except as otherwise provided for in this section, all moneys in ~~the~~
15 ~~Department of Game, Fish and Parks~~ department of game, fish, and parks fund are ~~hereby~~
16 annually appropriated, to be used with any moneys otherwise appropriated, to pay the
17 necessary expenses of effectuating the purposes of this title.

18 Nothing in this section authorizes the expenditure of moneys as a bounty for the
19 taking of any badger, opossum, racoon, striped skunk, red fox, or other animal, if the
20 purpose for the taking is the control of nest predation.