



## 2026 South Dakota Legislature

# Senate Bill 150

Introduced by: **Senator Larson**

1 **An Act to exempt one motor vehicle of a debtor from being taken by legal process.**

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

3 **Section 1. That § 43-45-4 be AMENDED:**

4 **43-45-4.** In addition to ~~the~~ any property provided for in §§ 43-45-2 and 43-45-3,  
 5 ~~the debtor, if the head of a family, may,~~ each debtor, personally, or by an agent or  
 6 attorney, may select as exempt property, pursuant to § 43-45-1, from all ~~other~~ of the  
 7 debtor's other personal property, that is not absolutely exempt, ~~goods, chattels,~~ ;

8 (1) Chattels, goods, merchandise, money, or other personal property not to exceed  
 9 exceeding, in the aggregate seven:

10 (a) Seven thousand dollars in value; and, if not the head of a family, property  
 11 as aforesaid of the value of five, if the debtor is the head of a family; or

12 (b) Five thousand dollars, which is also in value, if the debtor is not the head  
 13 of a family; and

14 (2) One motor vehicle, as defined in § 32-5-1, not exceeding five thousand dollars  
 15 over any security interest on the motor vehicle.

16 The property selected pursuant to this section exempt, and which shall must be  
 17 chosen and appraised as provided by law.