

## 2026 South Dakota Legislature

**Senate Bill 197****AMENDMENT 197A  
FOR THE INTRODUCED BILL**

1 **An Act to modify the administration of the South Dakota-Ireland trade fund.**

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

3 **Section 1. That § 1-57-2 be AMENDED:**

4 **1-57-2.** The South Dakota-Ireland Trade Commission consists of:

- 5 (1) Two members of the Senate, appointed by the president pro tempore of the
- 6 Senate;
- 7 (2) Two members of the House of Representatives, appointed by the speaker of the
- 8 House;
- 9 (3) A representative of a private sector association headquartered in this state and
- 10 focused on the promotion of international trade, appointed by the Executive Board
- 11 of the Legislative Research Council;
- 12 (4) An officer of the Executive Branch, appointed by the Governor;
- 13 (5) A representative of a South Dakota private industry, appointed by the president
- 14 pro tempore of the Senate; and
- 15 (6) A representative of a South Dakota private industry, appointed by the speaker of
- 16 the House of Representatives.

17 ~~Each appointed member shall serve for a term of two years and may be reappointed~~  
18 ~~without limit. Each term begins upon appointment in an odd-numbered year and expires~~  
19 ~~on December thirty-first of the following even-numbered year.~~ If a position becomes  
20 vacant, the position must be filled, for the duration of the term, in the same manner as  
21 the original appointment.

22 **Section 2. That § 1-57-3 be AMENDED:**

23 **1-57-3.** The Executive Board of the Legislative Research Council shall provide  
24 administrative services to the South Dakota-Ireland Trade Commission.

1           ~~At the initial meeting of the commission and annually thereafter, the members~~The  
2           ~~commission shall select one from among the four appointed legislators~~commission shall to serve  
3           ~~as the chair. The commission shall meet at least quarterly, at the call of the chair~~once  
4           ~~each year.~~each year.

5           **Section 3. That § 1-57-4 be AMENDED:**

6           **1-57-4.** There is established in the state treasury the South Dakota-Ireland trade  
7           fund.~~The Department of Agriculture and Natural Resources for the purposes of defraying~~  
8           ~~the administrative expenses of the commission and supporting the commission's work in~~  
9           ~~accordance with § 1-57-1. The Executive Board of the Legislative Research Council shall~~  
10          administer the fund.~~The purpose of the fund is to defray the administrative expenses of~~  
11          ~~the commission and support the commission's efforts to carry out its purposes, as set~~  
12          ~~forth in § 1-57-1.~~

13          The fund consists of all moneys raised by or on behalf of the commission, together  
14          with any gifts, grants, or other donations. Interest on moneys credited to the fund must  
15          remain in the fund.

16          The South Dakota-Ireland trade fund is continuously appropriated to the South  
17          Dakota-Ireland Trade Commission.