

## 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 legislator to serve  
3           as the chair. The commission shall meet at least quarterly, at the call of the chair once  
4           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.