



2026 South Dakota Legislature

House Bill 1288

Introduced by: **Representative Jorgenson**

1 **An Act to modify the authority of a political subdivision to adopt mining ordinances.**

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

3 **Section 1. That § 45-6-65 be AMENDED:**

4 **45-6-65.** An operator shall obtain a license to mine:

- 5 (1) Sand;
- 6 (2) Gravel;
- 7 (3) Rock to be crushed and used in construction;
- 8 (4) Pegmatite minerals;
- 9 (5) Limestone; and
- 10 (6) Iron ore, gypsum, shale, pozzolan, and other materials used in the process of
- 11 making cement or lime.

12 The operator shall comply with the requirements of §§ 45-6-68, 45-6-69, 45-6-71,
13 ~~and 45-6-72~~, and section 2 of this Act, for each site to be mined. Failure to comply with
14 these requirements for each site mined constitutes mining without a license.

15 The fee for the license is one hundred dollars annually, for each mine site
16 authorized under the license. The department shall forward any fees collected under this
17 section to the state treasurer for deposit in the environment and natural resources fee
18 fund established in § 1-41-23.

19 **Section 2. That a NEW SECTION be added to chapter 45-6:**

20 Any county or first or second class municipality, which has adopted a
21 comprehensive plan, may adopt ordinances or requirements that govern sand, gravel, and
22 aggregate mining operations and are not inconsistent or in conflict with applicable state
23 laws or administrative rules.

24 A county or first or second class municipality may not require additional bonds or
25 sureties, if the same are required by state law or administrative rule. The Board of Minerals

1 and Environment may not grant a permit for a mining operation unless the applicant has
2 complied with all county or city ordinances and requirements and obtained necessary
3 county or city permits.

4 If the applicant has substantially complied with the procedure for obtaining any
5 necessary county or city permits but has not obtained permits due to administrative delay,
6 the Board of Minerals and Environment may grant a mining permit that is conditioned
7 upon the issuance of all necessary county or city permits within sixty days of the date of
8 the board's issuance of the conditioned mining permit.

9 If a county or municipality has adopted an ordinance governing mining operations,
10 any proceedings of and any action taken by the county or municipality with regard to the
11 proposed mining operation may be considered by the Board of Minerals and Environment
12 before the issuance or denial of a permit pursuant to this chapter, including a permit
13 conditioned upon the issuance of all necessary county or city permits.

14 No mining operations may be commenced under a permit conditioned upon the
15 issuance of all necessary county or city permits until the Board of Minerals and
16 Environment is notified by the applicant in writing that the required county or city permits
17 have been obtained by the applicant.

18 **Section 3. That § 45-6B-4 be AMENDED:**

19 **45-6B-4.** Any county or first or second class municipality which has adopted a
20 comprehensive plan ~~and zoning ordinances~~ may adopt ordinances or requirements
21 governing mining operations which are not inconsistent or in conflict with applicable state
22 laws or administrative rules. However, ~~such a~~ county or municipality may not require
23 additional bonds or sureties if the same are required by state law or administrative rule.
24 The Board of Minerals and Environment may not grant a permit for a mining operation
25 unless the applicant has complied with all county or city ordinances and requirements and
26 obtained necessary county or city permits. However, if the applicant has substantially
27 complied with the procedure for obtaining any necessary county or city permits but has
28 not obtained ~~such~~ permits due to administrative delay, the Board of Minerals and
29 Environment may grant a mining permit which is conditioned upon the issuance of all
30 necessary county or city permits within sixty days of the date of the board's issuance of
31 the conditioned mining permit. If a county or municipality has adopted an ordinance
32 governing mining operations, any proceedings of and any action taken by the county or
33 municipality with regard to the proposed mining operation may be considered by the Board
34 of Minerals and Environment before the issuance or denial of a permit pursuant to this

1 chapter, including a permit conditioned upon the issuance of all necessary county or city
2 permits.

3 No mining operations may be commenced under a permit conditioned upon the
4 issuance of all necessary county or city permits until the Board of Minerals and
5 Environment is notified by the applicant in writing that the required county or city permits
6 have been obtained by the applicant.