

# State of South Dakota

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## HOUSE BILL NO. 1063

Introduced by: The Committee on Judiciary at the request of the Office of the Attorney General

1 FOR AN ACT ENTITLED, An Act to provide for the use of a DNA profile in certain warrants,  
2 indictments, and informations.

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

4 Section 1. That § 23A-2-4 be amended to read as follows:

5 23A-2-4. Each arrest warrant shall be dated and contain its place of issuance. ~~It~~ The warrant  
6 shall be signed by a committing magistrate. ~~It~~ The warrant shall contain the name of the  
7 defendant or, if ~~his~~ the defendant's name is unknown, any DNA profile, name or description by  
8 which ~~he~~ the defendant can be identified with reasonable certainty. ~~It~~ The warrant shall  
9 command that the defendant be brought before the nearest available committing magistrate. The  
10 committing magistrate who signs the warrant shall also endorse the amount of bail on it the  
11 warrant.

12 Section 2. That § 23A-6-7 be amended to read as follows:

13 23A-6-7. An indictment or information is sufficient if it can be understood ~~therefrom~~ from  
14 the indictment or information:

15 (1) That ~~it~~ the indictment or information is entitled in a court having authority to receive



- 1           ~~it~~ the indictment or information, although the name of the court is not stated;
- 2       (2)   That the indictment was found by a grand jury of the county in which the public
- 3           offense was committed;
- 4       (3)   That the defendant is named or, if ~~his~~ the defendant's name is unknown, that ~~he~~ the
- 5           defendant is described by a DNA profile or a fictitious name with a statement that ~~his~~
- 6           the defendant's true name is unknown to the grand jury or prosecuting attorney;
- 7       (4)   That the offense charged was committed within the jurisdiction of the county; and
- 8       (5)   That the offense charged is designated in such a manner as to enable a person of
- 9           common understanding to know what is intended.