

State of South Dakota

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LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY, 2017

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HOUSE BILL NO. 1052

Introduced by: Representatives Haggar, DiSanto, Latterell, and Rhoden and Senators Curd,
Ewing, Langer, Netherton, and Novstrup

1 FOR AN ACT ENTITLED, An Act to provide certain protections for public employees who
2 report violations of law.

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

4 Section 1. That the code be amended by adding a NEW SECTION to read:

5 No department, bureau, board, or commission of the state or any of its political subdivisions
6 may dismiss, suspend from employment, demote, decrease the compensation of, or take any
7 other retaliatory action against an employee because the employee reports in good faith to an
8 appropriate authority a violation or suspected violation of a law or rule, an abuse of funds or
9 abuse of authority, or substantial and specific danger to public health or safety, unless the report
10 is specifically prohibited by law.

