

# State of South Dakota

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## HOUSE BILL NO. **1141**

Introduced by: Representatives Lust, Bartling, Campbell, Conzet, Dennert, Duvall, Glanzer, Hawley, Holmes, Johns, Johnson, Kettwig, Lake, May, McPherson, Mickelson, Peterson (Kent), Reed, Rounds, Rozum, Schoenfish, Tieszen, and Turbiville and Senators Curd, Bolin, Peters, and Rusch

1 FOR AN ACT ENTITLED, An Act to provide for a legislative task force to consider certain  
2 legislation proposed to revise provisions regarding the initiative and referendum process in  
3 South Dakota.

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

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

6 There is hereby established an Initiative and Referendum Task Force to study possible  
7 changes to the process regarding initiated measures and referred laws. The task force shall  
8 consist of the following members:

- 9 (1) The secretary of state;
- 10 (2) The attorney general;
- 11 (3) A representative of the South Dakota Chamber of Commerce;
- 12 (4) Two members of the House of Representatives appointed by the speaker of the  
13 House; and
- 14 (5) Two members of the Senate appointed by the president pro tempore of the Senate.



1        If there is a vacancy on the task force, the vacancy shall be filled in the same manner as the  
2 original appointment under this Act.

3        Section 2. That the code be amended by adding a NEW SECTION to read:

4        The task force established pursuant to this Act shall study and evaluate the voter initiative  
5 and referendum process, legislation proposed during the Ninety-second Legislative Session of  
6 the South Dakota Legislature relating to the voter initiative and referendum process, and other  
7 proposals as they relate to the voter initiative and referendum process in South Dakota.

8        Section 3. That the code be amended by adding a NEW SECTION to read:

9        The task force shall report to the Legislature and the Governor before the beginning of the  
10 Ninety-third Legislative Session. The task force may present draft legislation and policy  
11 recommendations.

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

13        The task force shall be under the supervision of the Executive Board of the Legislative  
14 Research Council and staffed and funded as an interim legislative committee, not to exceed  
15 twenty-one thousand dollars.