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HOUSE BILL NO. 1064

Introduced by: The Committee on State Affairs at the request of the Office of the Governor

1 FOR AN ACT ENTITLED, An Act to authorize temporary appointments to the State
2 Government Accountability Board.

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

4 Section 1. That § 3-24-1 be amended to read:

5 3-24-1. There is hereby created a State Government Accountability Board to be composed
6 of four members appointed by the Governor. Each member to be appointed shall be a former
7 or retired circuit court judge or Supreme Court Justice. No more than two of the appointed
8 members may be of the same political party. All appointees are subject to confirmation by the
9 Senate and no appointee may be a member of the Legislature during the member's term on the
10 board. The term for a board member is five years and a board member may only be removed for
11 good cause. Good cause to remove a member is conduct such as: malfeasance or misfeasance
12 in office, neglect of duty, corrupt conduct, gross incompetency, or active partisanship. A
13 vacancy in the board's membership shall be filled by the Governor within thirty days of the
14 event causing the vacancy. If a vacancy occurs before a term expires, the new member shall
15 serve for the remaining portion of the unexpired term. If the Senate is not in session at the time



1 the appointment is made, the appointee may serve until the Senate has the opportunity to
2 consider the appointment. The per diem and expenses of the board are the same as the per diem
3 and expenses for members of interim committees of the Legislature. The Governor may appoint
4 a temporary board member if a member is recused or otherwise unavailable to participate. A
5 temporary appointment is not subject to confirmation by the Senate.