2020 South Dakota Legislature

House Bill 1215

Introduced by: Representative Randolph

An Act to prohibit the state from endorsing or enforcing certain policies regarding domestic relations.

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

Section 1. That a NEW SECTION be added:


The state may not enforce, endorse, or favor policies that:

(1) Permit any form of marriage that does not involve a man and a woman;

(2) Appropriate benefits to persons who enter a marriage other than a marriage involving a man and a woman;

(3) Permit counties to issue marriage licenses to persons other than for a marriage involving a man and a woman;

(4) Treat sexual orientation as a suspect class or as a basis of prohibited discrimination;

(5) Recognize a person's belief that that person was born a gender that does not accord with the biological sex of the person as determined by that person's anatomy at birth;

(6) Appropriate tax dollars to pay for sex change operations;

(7) Ban conversion therapy. Under this subdivision, conversion therapy, means a therapeutic practice in which a licensed medical professional, acting under authorized consent, assists a client in the goal or realigning the client's sexual preference to prefer members of the opposite sex who have corresponding reproductive anatomy;

(8) Permit public libraries or public schools in the state to partner with nonsecular organizations to promote, host, sponsor, favor, or endorse drag queen storytime;

(9) Mandate pronoun changes;
(10) Condone or affirm homosexual, transgender, zoophilia, objectophilia, polygamy, or
sexual orientation doctrines; and
(11) Permit a person to change the sex on a birth certificate to a sex that does not
accord with that person's anatomy at birth.

**Section 2.** That a NEW SECTION be added:

**25-11-2. Rights not affected by chapter.**

This chapter does not affect:

(1) Marriages between a man and a woman;
(2) A person's right to set the person's self-asserted, sex-based identity narrative or
sexual orientation; and
(3) A person's right to practice secular humanism.