



## 2020 South Dakota Legislature

# House Bill 1223

Introduced by: **Representative Saba**

1 **An Act to provide for the creation of an international business and trade office.**

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

3 **Section 1.** That a NEW SECTION be added:

4 **1-53-48. International business and trade office--Creation--Duties.**

5 An international business and trade office is created in the Governor's Office of  
 6 Economic Development. The international business and trade office shall participate in the  
 7 expansion of international markets for products produced in this state and for services  
 8 performed by entities situated in this state through:

9 (1) The provision of advocacy on behalf of exporters;

10 (2) The provision of research and education regarding export opportunities;

11 (3) The identification of export issues and impediments and the pursuit of initiatives  
 12 to address such; and

13 (4) The organization of and participation in trade missions.

14 The international business and trade office may collaborate with or work  
 15 collectively with public and private sector entities for the purposes of this section. Any  
 16 data generated through such collaboration or collective effort is the property of the state.

17 The international business and trade office may accept gifts, grants, and donations  
 18 of money, property, and services, to carry out this section.