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## HOUSE BILL NO. 1159

Introduced by: Representatives Wick, Duenwald, Fryslie, Hunhoff, Jaspers, Juhnke, Koistinen, Konold, McCaulley, Napoli, Pederson (Gordon), Peterson (Bill), Slaughter, Smidt, and Van Gerpen and Senators Greenfield, Bogue, Diedrich (Larry), Drake, and Vitter

1 FOR AN ACT ENTITLED, An Act to require an employee's written authorization before  
2 money may be withheld from the employee's paycheck for a political purpose.

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

4 Section 1. That § 12-25-2 be amended to read as follows:

5 12-25-2. No candidate, candidate's committee, political action committee or political party  
6 committee may receive any contribution except from an individual, political action committee  
7 or a political party. No corporation may contribute or attempt to contribute any valuable  
8 consideration to any candidate, committee or political party except a ballot question committee.

9 Associations may contribute any valuable consideration out of funds contributed for the  
10 purpose of making political contributions but may not make contributions out of dues or treasury  
11 funds. An individual contributing funds to an association for the purpose of making a political  
12 contribution must specifically authorize the use of the funds for that purpose. The authorization  
13 shall be made prior to the contribution, voluntary, separate, written, signed and shall be on an  
14 authorization form prescribed by the state board of elections. The authorization shall be renewed

1 at least annually. Political contributions from an individual to an association shall be remitted  
2 separately from any contribution for dues, fees, or other payment to the association.

3 A violation of this section is a Class 2 misdemeanor.