

# State of South Dakota

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## SENATE BILL NO. 157

Introduced by: The Committee on Government Operations and Audit

1 FOR AN ACT ENTITLED, An Act to require the Department of Corrections to seek  
2 accreditation by the American Correctional Association, to make an appropriation therefor,  
3 and to declare an emergency.

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

5 Section 1. The Department of Corrections shall seek American Correction Association  
6 accreditation for all juvenile correctional facilities operated by the State of South Dakota. The  
7 Department of Corrections shall apply for application status by entering into a contractual  
8 agreement with the American Correctional Association. The agreement shall specify the  
9 applicable standards manual and the required fees.

10 Section 2. The Department of Corrections shall appoint two accreditation managers who  
11 shall organize and supervise agency resources and activities to achieve accreditation.

12 Section 3. The Department of Corrections shall complete a report of the results of the  
13 accreditation hearing including costs of mandatory and nonmandatory standard compliance and  
14 forward the report to the Government Operations and Audit Committee created in § 2-6-2 when  
15 the American Correctional Association has made its recommendations.

1 Section 4. The Government Operations and Audit Committee shall review the report and the  
2 cost estimates presented by the Department of Corrections and shall either propose legislation  
3 continuing the accreditation process or shall make a report to the full Legislature stating reasons  
4 the accreditation process should be discontinued. If there is a minority opinion, it shall also be  
5 included in the report.

6 Section 5. There is hereby appropriated two full-time equivalent positions assigned to the  
7 Department of Corrections to organize and supervise agency resources and activities to achieve  
8 American Correctional Association accreditation. The authority for these full-time equivalents  
9 will expire June 30, 2002.

10 Section 6. There is hereby appropriated from the general fund the sum of one hundred  
11 eighty-two thousand five hundred seventy dollars (\$182,570), or so much thereof as may be  
12 necessary, to the Department of Corrections to accomplish the purposes of this Act.

13 Section 7. The secretary of corrections shall approve vouchers and the state auditor shall  
14 draw warrants to pay expenditures authorized by this Act.

15 Section 8. Any amounts appropriated in this Act not lawfully expended or obligated by  
16 June 30, 2002, shall revert in accordance with § 4-8-21.

17 Section 9. Whereas, this Act is necessary for the support of the state government and its  
18 existing public institutions, an emergency is hereby declared to exist, and this Act shall be in full  
19 force and effect from and after its passage and approval.