

# State of South Dakota

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LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY, 2001

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## SENATE BILL NO. 160

Introduced by: Senators Brown (Arnold), Everist, and Olson (Ed) and Representatives  
McCoy and Peterson (Bill)

1 FOR AN ACT ENTITLED, An Act to prohibit the offering of postsecondary education credit  
2 or degree by nonaccredited institutions.

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

4 Section 1. That chapter 13-49 be amended by adding thereto a NEW SECTION to read as  
5 follows:

6 No person, Indian tribe, or state may offer postsecondary education credit or degree in South  
7 Dakota, or while organized under the laws of South Dakota, unless currently participating in any  
8 federal financial assistance program authorized by Title IV of the Higher Education Act of 1965  
9 as amended to January 1, 2001. A violation of this section is a Class 1 misdemeanor and subjects  
10 the violator to a civil penalty of twenty-five thousand dollars.