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SENATE BILL NO. 250

Introduced by: Senators Bogue, Duxbury, Greenfield, and Moore and Representatives
Jaspers, Broderick, Brown (Jarvis), Brown (Richard), Flowers, Michels,
and Pederson (Gordon)

1 FOR AN ACT ENTITLED, An Act to provide that taking money or property from patients or
2 inmates by certain institution employees constitutes theft.

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

4 Section 1. Any employee of the Department of Corrections or Department of Human
5 Services who, for personal benefit, takes, borrows, accepts, or steals anything with a value of
6 five dollars or more in property or money, from a patient or inmate who is under the care or
7 supervision of the Department of Corrections or the Department of Human Services, is guilty
8 of a Class 6 felony theft.

9 Section 2. For purposes of this Act, an employee of the Department of Corrections or the
10 Department of Human Services means any person employed by the department, full or part time,
11 including an individual under contract assigned to the department, an employee of another state
12 agency assigned to the department, or a volunteer working in a department facility or for a
13 department agency or program.