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SENATE JUDICIARY COMMITTEE ENGROSSED NO.

**SB 203** - 02/07/2001

Introduced by: Senators Bogue and Koskan and Representatives Smidt, Madsen, Michels,  
and Teupel

1 FOR AN ACT ENTITLED, An Act to clarify the responsibilities of foster parents in regard to  
2 foster children.

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

4 Section 1. That chapter 25-5 be amended by adding thereto a NEW SECTION to read as  
5 follows:

6 No foster parent is liable for the acts of his or her foster child. However, this section does  
7 not apply to any action based on agency or negligent entrustment of a motor vehicle. No costs  
8 or fees may be charged or assessed against a foster parent as a result of a foster child in their care  
9 being adjudicated under § 26-8B-6 or 26-8C-7.