## **State of South Dakota**

## EIGHTY-SECOND SESSION LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY, 2007

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## HOUSE BILL NO. 1257

Introduced by: Representatives Cutler, Deadrick, Elliott, Engels, Krebs, Lust, Peters, Rave, Steele, and Weems and Senators Knudson, Gant, Garnos, Heidepriem, and Lintz

- 1 FOR AN ACT ENTITLED, An Act to reduce the minimum number of board members of trust
- 2 companies.
- 3 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF SOUTH DAKOTA:
- 4 Section 1. That § 51A-6A-13 be amended to read as follows:
- 5 51A-6A-13. The business of any trust company shall be managed and controlled by its
- 6 governing board and includes the authority to provide for bonus payments, in addition to
- 7 ordinary compensation, for any of its officers and employees. The governing board shall consist
- 8 of not less than five three nor more than twelve members, all of whom shall be elected by the
- 9 owners of the trust company at any regular annual meeting that is held during the first one
- 10 hundred twenty days of each calendar year. If the number of board members elected is less than
- twelve, the number of board members may be increased so long as the total number does not
- exceed twelve. If the number is increased, the first additional board members may be elected
- at a special meeting of the owners. The board members shall be elected and any vacancies filled
- in the manner as provided in the provisions regarding general corporations or limited liability
- 15 companies, as applicable. At all times one of the directors shall be a resident of this state and

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- 1 at least two-thirds of the directors shall be citizens of the United States. Any board member of
- 2 any trust company who becomes indebted to the trust company on any judgment shall forfeit the
- 3 position of board member, and the vacancy shall be filled as provided by law.