

State of South Dakota

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SENATE BILL NO. 117

Introduced by: Senators Adelstein, Begalka, Bradford, Brown, Hundstad, Lederman,
Nygaard, Peters, and Rampelberg and Representatives Verchio, Bolin, Gosch,
Hoffman, Jensen, Kirkeby, Kopp, Lucas, and Sly

1 FOR AN ACT ENTITLED, An Act to require that certain heliports be approved by the South
2 Dakota Aeronautics Commission.

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

4 Section 1. That chapter 50-5 be amended by adding thereto a NEW SECTION to read as
5 follows:

6 Any owner or operator of a private heliport that is used for at least one hundred twenty
7 takeoffs and one hundred twenty landings by one or more helicopters in any year shall apply to
8 the commission for approval or licensure for the heliport. Application for any such private
9 heliport, including any such heliport in existence on the effective date of this Act, shall be made
10 not later than the end of the first calendar year after 2011 in which the number of takeoffs and
11 landings specified in this section occurred. For purposes of this section, the term, heliport,
12 means an airport or landing field, as defined in § 50-1-1, that is used or intended for use for the
13 landing and takeoff of helicopters.

