



2021 South Dakota Legislature

House Bill 1156

Introduced by: **Representative Phil Jensen**

1 **An Act to provide opportunities for the questioning of the Governor and the**
 2 **congressional delegation.**

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

4 **Section 1.** That § 1-7-1.2 be AMENDED.

5 **1-7-1.2. Governor--Required annual meetings.**

6 The Governor shall, immediately following the conclusion of the address provided
 7 in accordance with S.D. Const., Art. IV, § 3, meet with all members of the Legislature,
 8 while in a joint session, for a period of at least one hour, and respond to questions from
 9 the members regarding the affairs of the state.

10 The Governor or ~~his~~a designee shall conduct an annual meeting with
 11 representatives of the United States Forest Service to discuss forest service land
 12 management programs that affect agricultural productivity on leased forest service land.

13 **Section 2.** That a NEW SECTION be added:

14 **2-4-16. Congressional delegation--Meeting.**

15 The speaker of the House of Representatives and the president pro tempore of the
 16 Senate shall, during each regular session of the Legislature, invite the members of the
 17 state congressional delegation to meet with all members of the Legislature, while in a joint
 18 session, for a period of at least two hours, and respond to questions from the members
 19 regarding the state of the federal government.