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HOUSE AGRICULTURE AND NATURAL RESOURCES

ENGROSSED NO. **SB 162** - 2/19/2008

Introduced by: Senators Lintz, Hanson (Gary), and Heidepriem and Representatives
Pederson (Gordon), Brunner, Dykstra, Hargens, Howie, and Olson (Betty)

1 FOR AN ACT ENTITLED, An Act to revise certain provisions related to the confidentiality of
2 certain geological reports.

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

4 Section 1. That chapter 45-6C be amended by adding thereto a NEW SECTION to read as
5 follows:

6 Any written geologic report, aquifer penetration report, map, test hole log, or other
7 information relative to the geologic data, size, extent, or economic value of a mineral deposit
8 filed with the state by a person who conducted a mineral exploration operation which was
9 initiated or permitted before July 1, 1982, is confidential for a period of six months following
10 the effective date of this Act. Any person who filed such reports or information may request the
11 secretary of environment and natural resources, in writing, to extend the six month
12 confidentiality period by up to five years. The information becomes public following the
13 confidentiality period.

14 Section 2. That chapter 45-6D be amended by adding thereto a NEW SECTION to read as



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