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SENATE BILL NO. 55

Introduced by: The Committee on Judiciary at the request of the Chief Justice

1 FOR AN ACT ENTITLED, An Act to revise certain provisions relating to the HOPE probation 2 program. BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF SOUTH DAKOTA: 3 4 Section 1. That § 16-22-8 be amended to read: 5 16-22-8. The Supreme Court is authorized to establish two South Dakota HOPE court pilot 6 probation programs in any court that has jurisdiction over criminal cases. 7 Section 2. That § 16-22-9 be amended to read: 8 16-22-9. The Supreme Court shall establish rules pursuant to § 16-3-1 for such pilot the 9 programs consistent with the following components, modeled after the national HOPE court 10 initiative: 11 (1) Involvement and commitment of criminal justice officials including judges, state's 12 attorneys, defense attorneys, law enforcement, court services officers, and treatment 13 providers; 14 (2) Eligibility criteria focused on offenders with a high risk to reoffend, without 15 consideration of the current offense;

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- 1 (3) Judicial involvement in setting and communicating to the probationer program
 2 expectations and consequences for noncompliance;
- 3 (4) Frequent, effective, and randomized drug and or alcohol testing;
- 4 (5) Swift, certain, and proportional sanctions for noncompliance with program
- 5 conditions;
- 6 (6) Swift and certain warrant service for absconding; and
- 7 (7) Compilation, evaluation, and publicly reported program results.
- 8 Section 3. That § 16-22-10 be amended to read:
- 9 16-22-10. Each pilot program shall be evaluated for the impact on public safety outcomes.
- 10 The Unified Judicial System shall report performance measures for the pilot programs
- semiannually to the oversight council.