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SENATE ENGROSSED NO. **SB 24** - 1/17/2019

Introduced by: The Committee on Education at the request of the Department of Education

1 FOR AN ACT ENTITLED, An Act to revise certain provisions relating to state assessments.

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

3 Section 1. That § 13-3-55 be amended to read:

4 13-3-55. Every public school ~~district~~ shall ~~annually~~ administer ~~the same assessment~~
5 assessments in English language arts, mathematics, and science. The assessments in English
6 language arts and mathematics shall be administered to all students in grades three to eight,
7 inclusive, and ~~in grade eleven~~ once in high school. The assessments in science shall be
8 administered to students once in grades three to five, once in grades six to eight, and once in
9 high school. The assessment assessments shall measure the academic progress of each student.
10 Every public school district shall annually administer to all students in at least two grade levels
11 ~~an achievement test to assess writing skills. The assessment instruments~~ assessments shall be
12 provided by the Department of Education, ~~and the department shall determine the two grade~~
13 ~~levels to be tested. The tests shall be~~ and administered within timelines established by the
14 Department of Education by rules promulgated pursuant to chapter 1-26 starting in the spring
15 ~~of the 2002-2003 school year~~ department. Each ~~state-designed test~~ assessment shall be



1 correlated with the state's content standards. ~~The South Dakota Board of Education Standards~~
2 ~~may promulgate rules pursuant to chapter 1-26 to provide for administration of all assessments.~~
3 The same assessments shall be administered to all students, except students with the most severe
4 cognitive disabilities.