State of South Dakota

SEVENTY-SEVENTH SESSION LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY, 2002

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SENATE BILL NO. 78

Introduced by: Senators Symens and Dennert and Representatives Duenwald, Hanson (Gary), Jensen, Juhnke, Rhoden, and Sigdestad

- 1 FOR AN ACT ENTITLED, An Act to increase the hunting safety zone distance.
- 2 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF SOUTH DAKOTA:
- 3 Section 1. That § 41-9-1.1 be amended to read as follows:
- 4 41-9-1.1. Except for controlled access facilities as defined in § 31-8-1, interstate highways,
- 5 unimproved section lines not commonly used as public rights-of-way, and highways within parks
- 6 or recreation areas or within or adjoining public shooting areas or game refuges posted for
- 7 restriction of an applicable use as hereinafter set forth by the Department of Game, Fish and
- 8 Parks, § 41-9-1 does not apply to fishing, trapping, or hunting on highways or other public
- 9 rights-of-way within this state that meet the requirements of § 41-9-1.3. No person, except the
- adjoining landowner or any person receiving written permission from the adjoining landowner,
- may use such highways or rights-of-way for the purposes of hunting defined in this title within
- 12 six hundred sixty one thousand feet of an occupied dwelling, a church, schoolhouse, or livestock.
- No person, except the adjoining landowner or any person receiving written permission from the
- adjoining landowner, may use such highways or rights-of-way for the purpose of trapping within
- 15 six hundred sixty one thousand feet of an occupied dwelling, church, or schoolhouse. A violation

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- of this section is a Class 2 misdemeanor. If any person is convicted of knowingly discharging a
- 2 firearm within six hundred sixty one thousand feet of any occupied dwelling, church, or
- 3 schoolhouse for which such distance has been clearly and accurately marked and posted, the
- 4 court shall, in addition to any other penalty, revoke the person's hunting privileges for a period
- 5 of one year from the date of conviction.
- 6 Section 2. That § 41-9-1.4 be amended to read as follows:
- 7 41-9-1.4. No person may discharge a firearm while on that portion of public waters of this
- 8 state that inundate privately-owned property from a location which is within six hundred sixty
- 9 one thousand feet of an occupied dwelling, church, schoolhouse, or livestock being held in a
- 10 confined area according to standard animal husbandry practices. However, a landowner or any
- person receiving permission from the landowner may discharge a firearm while on that portion
- of public waters that inundate the private property of that landowner. A violation of this section
- is a Class 2 misdemeanor.