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The Honorable Larry Rhoden President of the Senate 500 East Capitol Avenue Pierre, South Dakota 57501

Dear Mr. President Rhoden and Members of the Senate:

I respectfully return Senate Bill 75 with the following recommendation as to STYLE and FORM. Senate Bill 75 is An Act to provide for a habitat stamp on hunting and fishing licenses.

Senate Bill 75 requires a person over age 18 to purchase a habitat stamp when purchasing a hunting or fishing license. During the legislative process, an amendment was added by the House Agriculture and Natural Resources committee that, in part, was intended to exempt disabled resident hunters and resident hunters held as prisoners of war from purchasing the habitat stamp. To carry this out, however, the Enrolled Bill errors in cross-referencing the combination license statute at "§ 41-6-10.1" instead of the disabled and POW hunter statute at "§ 41-6-10.2."

To give effect to the objective of this bill in a manner consistent with the Legislature's intent, I recommend the following Style and Form correction to the Enrolled version of Senate Bill 75:

On Page 1 on the first line after the catchline, after "Except as provided in", strike "§ 41-6-10.1" and insert "§ 41-6-10.2".

This change exempts disabled hunters from purchasing the habitat stamp as intended by Senate Bill 75 when it is implemented on July 1, 2020. I am not opposed to this legislation and hope this bill becomes law. I respectfully request you concur with my recommendation as to Style and Form.

Respectfully submitted,

Governor Kristi Noem

cc: The Honorable Steven Haugaard
The Honorable Steven Barnett