

40-18-14. Employment of law enforcement officers for enforcement of marking and branding laws--Hiring of additional inspectors. The attorney general may employ four investigators for the purpose of enforcing the provisions of chapters 40-19 to 40-22, inclusive, and chapter 40-29. The investigators shall be certified law enforcement officers and shall enforce laws pertaining to inspection, sale, branding, misbranding, ownership, transportation, or theft of cattle, horses, mules, sheep, and buffalo. The investigators have all of the powers and authority of any law enforcement officer within the State of South Dakota while enforcing laws pertaining to cattle, horses, mules, sheep, and buffalo. This section does not restrict the attorney general from hiring inspectors, who are not law enforcement officers.

**Source:** SL 1947, ch 179; SDC Supp 1960, § 40.1201-2; SL 1967, ch 158; SL 1969, ch 167, § 3; SL 1977, ch 321, § 5; SL 1984, ch 269, § 1; SL 1988, ch 328, § 16; SL 2011, ch 1 (Ex. Ord. 11-1), § 160, eff. Apr. 12, 2011.

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40-18-17. Board to provide for brand registration, livestock inspection, and enforcement of laws. The Brand Board shall provide for the registration of livestock brands, for the inspection of livestock for ownership identification purposes, and for the enforcement of laws pertaining to the inspection, sale, branding, ownership, transportation, and theft of livestock within the ownership inspection area and the state.

**Source:** SL 1999, ch 206, § 1.

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**Expenses Paid by the Brand Board for  
Two Special Assistant Attorney Generals**

<b>EXPENSES</b>	<b>FY16 TOTAL</b>
Salaries	\$ 96,753.86
OASI	\$ 7,394.00
Retirement	\$ 8,098.64
Health Ins	\$ 14,680.56
Worker's Comp	\$ 216.98
Unemployment	\$ 33.14
Auto - State Owned	\$ 7,593.85
Lodging - In State	\$ 279.68
Meals - Taxable in State	\$ 261.00
Meals - Non Taxable	\$ 654.00
Air - Comm Out State	\$ 266.18
Lodging - Out State	\$ 585.25
Meals - Non Taxable Out Of State	\$ 284.00
Dues and Membership Fees	\$ 225.00
Computer Servcies	\$ 2,329.50
Central Services	\$ 314.38
Telephones	\$ 2,539.39
Office Supplies	\$ 196.05
Fidelity Bond / PEPL Liability	\$ 152.00
<b>FY 16 TOTAL</b>	<b>\$142,857.46</b>