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## HOUSE BILL NO. 1066

Introduced by: Representatives Verchio, Brunner, Jensen, Olson (Betty), and Schrempp and  
Senators Schmidt, Maher, and Rhoden

1 FOR AN ACT ENTITLED, An Act to provide for the issuance of landowner-sponsored big  
2 game hunting licenses.

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

4 Section 1. That chapter 41-6 be amended by adding thereto a NEW SECTION to read as  
5 follows:

6 The Game, Fish and Parks Commission shall promulgate rules pursuant to chapter 1-26 to  
7 establish a program for the issuance of landowner-sponsored big game hunting licenses to  
8 persons designated by the owners or lessees of land located in South Dakota. Under the program  
9 any resident landowner or lessee who owns or leases at least three hundred twenty acres of  
10 agricultural, grazing, or timber land in South Dakota may sponsor resident or nonresident  
11 applicants for landowner-sponsored big game hunting licenses, as provided in this Act, in  
12 addition to any big game license to which the landowner or lessee would otherwise be entitled.  
13 Each landowner-sponsored applicant shall be issued landowner-sponsored licenses at the same  
14 cost as a corresponding landowner license. The landowner-sponsored licenses may only be used  
15 on the landowner's or lessee's property. At least one landowner-sponsored license may be issued



1 for each qualifying property. Additional landowner-sponsored licenses may be issued upon the  
2 recommendation of the conservation officer for that area, not to exceed six landowner-  
3 sponsored licenses for a qualifying property. Any landowner or lessee who sponsors an  
4 applicant under this Act shall allow public access hunting for at least the second half of the big  
5 game season to a number of hunters equal to the number of sponsored licenses provided for the  
6 property. The landowner or lessee shall register any such public access hunters with the  
7 Department of Game, Fish and Parks. Such public access hunting may be restricted to antlerless  
8 game.

9 Section 2. The provisions of this Act are repealed on July 1, 2013.