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## HOUSE BILL NO. 1077

Introduced by: Representatives Sly, Bolin, Brunner, Conzet, Dryden, Elliott, Lucas, Olson (Betty), Perry, Romkema, and Stricherz and Senators Garnos, Bradford, Frerichs, Gray, Hundstad, Kraus, and Schlekeway

1 FOR AN ACT ENTITLED, An Act to establish performance standards for principals, to require  
2 an annual evaluation of principals, and to provide for the development of a model evaluation  
3 instrument.

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

5 Section 1. The Board of Education shall, no later than July 1, 2013, promulgate rules  
6 pursuant to chapter 1-26 to establish minimum professional performance standards for certified  
7 principals in South Dakota public schools, and to establish best practices for the evaluation of  
8 the performance of principals that may be used by individual school districts.

9 Section 2. Each school district shall annually evaluate the performance of all principals.

10 Section 3. Each school district shall adopt procedures for evaluating the performance of  
11 certified principals employed by the school district that:

- 12 (1) Are based on the minimum professional performance standards established by the  
13 Board of Education pursuant to section 1 of this Act;
- 14 (2) Require multiple measures; and



1       (3)    Serve as the basis for programs to increase professional growth and development of  
2            certified principals.

3       Section 4. A work group appointed by the secretary of education shall provide input in  
4   developing the standards and shall develop a model evaluation instrument that may be used by  
5   school districts. The work group shall consist of the following:

6       (1)    Three teachers: one from an elementary school, one from a middle school, and one  
7            from a high school;

8       (2)    Six principals: two from an elementary school, two from a middle school, and two  
9            from a high school;

10      (3)    Two superintendents;

11      (4)    Two school board members;

12      (5)    Two representatives from higher education;

13      (6)    Four parents who have students in various levels of the K-12 system;

14      (7)    One representative of the South Dakota Education Association;

15      (8)    One representative of the School Administrators of South Dakota; and

16      (9)    One representative of the Associated School Boards of South Dakota.