

AN ACT

ENTITLED, An Act to revise certain adoption proceedings regarding the adult adoption of biological children.

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

Section 1. That § 25-6-18 be amended to read as follows:

25-6-18. An adult may adopt another adult by filing a petition requesting the adoption with the judge of the circuit court, together with an agreement in writing that the person being adopted shall be treated in all respects as a natural child of the petitioner. Written consent of the adopted person shall also be required. It shall be a further prerequisite that the person being adopted shall have lived in the home of the adoptive parent during the person's minority for a period of at least six months, and this fact shall appear in the petition. If the person being adopted is the biological child of the adoptive parent, the prerequisite of living in the home of the adoptive parent during the person's minority is waived.

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I certify that the attached Act
originated in the

HOUSE as Bill No. 1119

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Chief Clerk

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Speaker of the House

Attest:

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Chief Clerk

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President of the Senate

Attest:

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Secretary of the Senate

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By \_\_\_\_\_  
for the Governor

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The attached Act is hereby
approved this \_\_\_\_\_ day of
\_\_\_\_\_, A.D., 20\_\_\_\_

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Governor

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STATE OF SOUTH DAKOTA,
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Office of the Secretary of State

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Secretary of State

By \_\_\_\_\_  
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