

State of South Dakota

SEVENTY-SECOND SESSION
LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY, 1997

733A0436 **HOUSE JUDICIARY COMMITTEE ENGROSSED NO.**
SB100 - 3/3/97

Introduced by: Senator Everist and Representative Hunt

1 FOR AN ACT ENTITLED, An Act to permit all but one petitioner to waive personal
2 appearance at a hearing for termination of parental rights.

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

4 Section 1. That § 25-5A-14 be amended to read as follows:

5 25-5A-14. The personal presence of ~~the petitioner or petitioners at the hearing shall be~~
6 ~~jurisdictional; provided however, that all persons whose consent is necessary, except the mother,~~
7 ~~may appear by a person~~ one parent at the hearing is required for jurisdictional purposes.
8 However, any other person whose consent is necessary, may appear by filing with the court a
9 power of attorney. ~~In the event that~~ If the Department of Social Services or a licensed child
10 placement agency has custody of a child by written agreement of a parent ~~or parents~~ with power
11 of attorney to consent, its the secretary or ~~his~~ an authorized agent may appear and consent.

1 **BILL HISTORY**

2 1/17/97 First read in Senate and referred to Judiciary. S.J. 60

3 1/22/97 Scheduled for Committee hearing on this date.

4 1/22/97 Judiciary Do Pass Amended, Passed, AYES 7, NAYS 0.

5 1/24/97 Senate Deferred to another day. S.J. 164

6 1/27/97 Senate Deferred to another day. S.J. 179

7 1/28/97 Senate Do Pass Amended, Passed, AYES 34, NAYS 0. S.J. 197

8 1/29/97 First read in House and referred to Judiciary. H.J. 208

9 2/15/97 Scheduled for Committee hearing on this date.

10 2/15/97 Judiciary Deferred to another day. H.J. 510

11 2/19/97 Scheduled for Committee hearing on this date.

12 2/21/97 Scheduled for Committee hearing on this date.

13 2/26/97 Scheduled for Committee hearing on this date.

14 3/3/97 Scheduled for Committee hearing on this date.

15 3/3/97 Judiciary Do Pass Amended, Passed, AYES 12, NAYS 0.