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HOUSE BILL NO. 1275

Introduced by: Representatives Peterson (Bill), Madden, and Wetz and Senators Staggers,
Dennert, and Lange

1 FOR AN ACT ENTITLED, An Act to provide for the abolition of at-large county commissioner
2 districts.

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

4 Section 1. That § 7-8-10 be amended to read as follows:

5 7-8-10. The board of county commissioners, at its regular meeting in February of each year
6 ending in the numeral 2, after giving notice by publication for one week in the official
7 newspapers of the county, shall change the boundaries of the commissioner districts if such
8 change is necessary in order that each district shall be as regular and compact in form as
9 practicable and it shall so divide and redistrict its county that each district may contain as near
10 as possible an equal number of residents, as determined by the last preceding federal decennial
11 census; ~~or the board may, at its discretion, choose to have all of its commissioners run at large.~~

12 Section 2. The provisions of section 1 of this Act are effective on January 1, 2002.