

AN ACT

ENTITLED, An Act to increase the penalty for certain violations regarding vital records and the disposition of dead bodies.

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

Section 1. That § 34-25-57 be amended to read as follows:

34-25-57. No person, officer, agent, or employee of any other person or of any corporation or partnership may:

- (1) Inter, cremate, or otherwise finally dispose of a dead body of a human being or permit the same to be done or remove the body from the state without authority of a burial or removal permit;
- (2) Refuse or fail to furnish any information in such person's possession or furnish false information affecting any certificate or record required by this chapter;
- (3) Intentionally falsify any certificate of birth, death, or burial or removal permit or any record required by this chapter;
- (4) Being required by this chapter to fill out a certificate of birth or death and file the certificate with the local registrar or deliver it upon request to any person charged with the duty of filing the certificate, fail, neglect, or refuse to perform;
- (5) Being a local registrar or deputy registrar, fail, neglect, or refuse to perform the duty as required by this chapter or by the rules adopted by the secretary of health or by the instructions and directions of the department.

A violation of this section is a Class 1 misdemeanor.

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I certify that the attached Act originated in the

HOUSE as Bill No. 1280

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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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Received at this Executive Office this \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_ ,

20\_\_\_\_ at \_\_\_\_\_ M.

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

Filed \_\_\_\_\_ , 20\_\_\_\_  
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Secretary of State

By \_\_\_\_\_  
Asst. Secretary of State