

State of South Dakota

SEVENTY-SEVENTH SESSION
LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY, 2002

400H0725

HOUSE BILL NO. 1297

Introduced by: The Committee on Health and Human Services at the request of the Governor

1 FOR AN ACT ENTITLED, An Act to authorize the establishment of an antimicrobial resistance
2 education program.

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

4 Section 1. The Legislature finds that microbial resistance due to inappropriate use, or
5 overuse, of antibiotics is an immediate and significant threat to the health of our citizens.

6 Section 2. The Department of Health may establish an antimicrobial resistance education
7 program for health care providers, facilities, and the public for the purpose of:

8 (1) Supporting provider efforts to use antibiotics appropriately;

9 (2) Decreasing inappropriate public demand for antibiotic therapy;

10 (3) Reducing risks and costs associated with antibiotic overutilization; and

11 (4) Increasing knowledge regarding effective strategies for decreasing antibiotic
12 resistance.

13 The department shall collaborate with health care providers and facilities in the development of
14 the antimicrobial resistance program.

