

# State of South Dakota

SEVENTY-SEVENTH SESSION  
LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY, 2002

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## HOUSE BILL NO. 1299

Introduced by: The Committee on Judiciary at the request of the Governor

1 FOR AN ACT ENTITLED, An Act to change the definition and venue of perjury prosecutions.

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

3 Section 1. That § 22-29-1 be amended to read as follows:

4 22-29-1. Any person who, having taken an oath that he or she will testify, declare, depose,  
5 or certify truly before any competent tribunal, officer, or person, in any ~~of the cases~~ state or  
6 federal proceeding or action in which such an oath may by law be administered, intentionally and  
7 contrary to ~~such~~ the oath, states any material matter which ~~he~~ the person knows to be false, is  
8 guilty of perjury.

9 Section 2. That chapter 23A-16 be amended by adding thereto a NEW SECTION to read  
10 as follows:

11 Perjury may be prosecuted in the circuit court for either the county where the proceeding or  
12 action is venued or where the act of perjury was committed.

