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## CONFERENCE COMMITTEE ENGROSSED NO. **SB** **14** - 02/23/2002

Introduced by: The Committee on State Affairs at the request of the Department of Human Services

1 FOR AN ACT ENTITLED, An Act to revise certain requirements and responsibilities of the  
2 administrator of the Human Services Center.

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

4 Section 1. That § 27A-4-3 be amended to read as follows:

5 27A-4-3. The secretary of human services shall appoint an administrator of the South Dakota  
6 Human Services Center who shall ~~be a skilled administrator or a South Dakota licensed physician~~  
7 ~~of accepted skill and ability. Such person must have had experience of at least five years either~~  
8 ~~in public or private institutions for the mentally ill and shall be of a good moral character~~ meet  
9 at least one of the following requirements:

10 (1) Have a bachelor's degree in either mental health administration, health services  
11 administration, public administration, human services, or business administration with  
12 at least three years of experience in administration, one of which shall be in a mental  
13 health setting; or

14 (2) Have a master's degree with at least two years of experience in administration with



1           one year in a mental health setting.

2           The administrator shall be the chief executive officer of the South Dakota Human Services  
3 Center. The administrator shall serve at the pleasure of the secretary of human services.

4           Section 2. That § 23A-27A-22 be amended to read as follows:

5           23A-27A-22. If a defendant confined under sentence of death appears to be mentally  
6 incompetent to proceed, the warden having ~~him~~ in custody of the defendant shall forthwith notify  
7 the Governor, who shall appoint a commission of not less than three nor more than five  
8 disinterested duly licensed physicians, one of whom shall be the ~~superintendent~~ medical director  
9 of the Human Services Center or ~~his assistant~~ the director's designee, to examine the defendant  
10 and report to the Governor as to ~~his~~ the defendant's mental condition at the time of the  
11 examination.