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SENATE ENGROSSED NO. **SB 216** - 02/21/2003

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

1 FOR AN ACT ENTITLED, An Act to create a senior citizen prescription drug benefit program.

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

3 Section 1. There is hereby created a senior citizen prescription drug benefit program within
4 the State of South Dakota. The purpose of the program is to negotiate the purchase of
5 prescription drugs to be offered at a reduced cost to the eligible participants. The program shall
6 be open to any resident of the state who is age sixty-five and older and any person meeting the
7 eligibility criteria for a disability as defined in Title II of the Social Security Amendments of 1954
8 as amended to January 1, 2003, excluding those persons eligible for benefits under Title XIX.

9 Section 2. The program shall be administered by the Bureau of Personnel. The commissioner
10 of personnel may enter into agreements with private entities and cooperate with other local,
11 state, or federal agencies to implement the purposes of the program. The commissioner shall
12 promulgate rules pursuant to chapter 1-26 regarding various discounts on the purchase of
13 pharmaceuticals for participating members and regarding dispensing and intervention fees.

14 Section 3. The Bureau of Personnel may contract to create a preferred drug list and negotiate
15 pharmaceutical prices for the benefit of participating members and pharmacies.

16 Section 4. The provisions of this Act are repealed July 1, 2005.

