

# State of South Dakota

SEVENTY-NINTH SESSION  
LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY, 2004

291J0177

## HOUSE BILL NO. 1200

Introduced by: Representative Williamson and Senator Ham-Burr

1 FOR AN ACT ENTITLED, An Act to authorize the inclusion of certain National Guard  
2 members in the public employee health insurance plan.

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

4 Section 1. That § 3-12A-2 be amended to read as follows:

5 3-12A-2. The Bureau of Personnel may establish a group health insurance plan, a group  
6 dental insurance plan, or both, for employees of the state. The plan may provide for group health  
7 and dental insurance against the financial cost of hospital, surgical, and medical treatment and  
8 care, and such other coverage or benefits, including a group life insurance plan and a group  
9 disability income insurance plan, as may be deemed appropriate and desirable by the  
10 commissioner. The commissioner may design a cafeteria-style benefit plan which allows an  
11 employee to choose ~~his~~ the employee's own benefits or levels of coverage.

12 The Bureau of Personnel may promulgate rules pursuant to chapter 1-26 to establish uniform  
13 procedures for the administration of the plan and to provide for uniform application of the plan.

14 The rules may be adopted in the following areas:

15 (1) Participation in the plan by employees, retired employees, members of the South  
16 Dakota National Guard, and dependents;



- 1       (2)    Procedures for election of coverage;
- 2       (3)    Effective dates of coverage where not specified by statute;
- 3       (4)    Termination of coverage;
- 4       (5)    Changes in dependent coverage; and
- 5       (6)    Collection of premiums.

6       Section 2. That chapter 3-12A be amended by adding thereto a NEW SECTION to read as  
7 follows:

8       Any member of a unit of the South Dakota Army National Guard or South Dakota Air  
9 National Guard who is not otherwise covered by a governmental health insurance plan or  
10 employer health insurance plan is eligible for health insurance coverage under this chapter if  
11 authorized by the Bureau of Personnel. The terms of such coverage may be specified in rules  
12 promulgated by the Bureau of Personnel pursuant to chapter 1-26 and may be implemented in  
13 the contract or contracts executed pursuant to § 3-12A-5.