

# State of South Dakota

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## HOUSE BILL NO. 1214

Introduced by: Representatives Weems, Begalka, Christensen, Deadrick (Thomas), Frost, Gillespie, Heineman, Kraus, Lange, LaRue, Miles, Rave, Schafer, Teupel, Van Etten, Van Gerpen, and Wick and Senators Koskan, Albers, Brown, Dempster, Duenwald, Ham-Burr, Olson (Ed), Reedy, and Sutton (Dan)

1 FOR AN ACT ENTITLED, An Act to require certain prenatal information to be provided when  
2 a pregnancy test has been performed and there has been a positive result.

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

4 Section 1. That chapter 34-23B be amended by adding thereto a NEW SECTION to read as  
5 follows:

6 If any physician, physician assistant, nurse practitioner, or primary health care provider has  
7 performed a pregnancy test on a patient and there has been a positive result, such physician,  
8 physician assistant, nurse practitioner, or health care provider shall provide educational  
9 materials to the patient on prenatal care. The Department of Health shall offer educational  
10 materials and guidance to such physicians, physician assistants, nurse practitioners, and health  
11 care providers for the purpose of assuring accurate and appropriate patient education.

12 Section 2. That chapter 34-23B be amended by adding thereto a NEW SECTION to read as  
13 follows:

14 The Department of Health shall maintain a multi-media website that contains material and



1 information covering each of the following topics:

2 (1) Examinations, tests, and monitoring to be conducted during the pregnancy;

3 (2) How to take care of yourself during pregnancy;

4 (3) Nutrition;

5 (4) Pregnancy associated discomforts;

6 (5) Danger signs during pregnancy;

7 (6) Toxic substances that may be harmful to the fetus; and

8 (7) Names and contact information of public and private agencies.