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HOUSE BILL NO. 1030

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

1 FOR AN ACT ENTITLED, An Act to refine the definition of a critical access hospital.

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

3 Section 1. That subdivision (8) of § 34-12-1.1 be amended to read as follows:

4 (8) "Critical access hospital," any nonprofit or public hospital providing emergency care
5 on a twenty-four hour basis located in a rural area which has limited acute inpatient
6 services, focusing on primary and preventive care, and which has in effect an
7 agreement with a general hospital that provides emergency and medical backup
8 services and accepts patient referrals from the critical access hospital. For the
9 purposes of this subdivision, a rural area is any municipality of under fifty thousand
10 population; and

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