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HOUSE BILL NO. 1101

Introduced by: Representatives Rounds, Boomgarden, Bradford, Elliott, Hargens, Hunt, Krebs, Olson (Ryan), Pederson (Gordon), Schafer, Sebert, and Street and Senators Schoenbeck, Abdallah, Broderick, McCracken, Moore, Nesselhuf, and Sutton (Dan)

1 FOR AN ACT ENTITLED, An Act to except contracts of independent contractors who are
2 captive insurance agents from the prohibition against contracts in restraint of trade.

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

4 Section 1. That § 53-9-8 be amended to read as follows:

5 53-9-8. ~~Every~~ Any contract restraining exercise of a lawful profession, trade, or business is
6 void to that extent, except as provided by §§ 53-9-9 to 53-9-11, inclusive, and section 2 of this
7 Act.

8 Section 2. That chapter 53-9 be amended by adding thereto a NEW SECTION to read as
9 follows:

10 Any independent contractor who is an insurance producer as defined in subdivision 58-1-
11 2(16) and is a captive agent or a career agent but not an independent agent and works
12 exclusively for a single insurance company, an affiliated group of insurance companies, or an
13 insurance company that allows its captive or career agents to market the products of another
14 insurance company pursuant to contract may agree with an insurer at the time of contracting or



1 at any time during the term of the contract:

2 (1) Not to engage directly or indirectly in the same business or profession as that of the
3 insurer for any period not exceeding two years from the date of termination of the
4 independent contractor's agreement with the insurer; and

5 (2) Not to solicit existing customers of the insurer within a specified county, first or
6 second class municipality, or other specified area for any period not exceeding two
7 years from the date of termination of the agreement, if the insurer continues to carry
8 on a like business within the specified area.