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HOUSE HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES
COMMITTEE ENGROSSED NO. **HB 1278** -
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Introduced by: Representatives Van Etten, Boomgarden, Dreyer, Heineman, Miles, Nygaard, Olson (Betty), Rave, and Weems and Senators Hansen (Tom) and Dempster

1 FOR AN ACT ENTITLED, An Act to require emergency medical technicians to be trained in
2 the administration of epinephrine.

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

4 Section 1. That § 36-4B-1 be amended by adding thereto NEW SUBDIVISIONS to read as
5 follows:

6 "Epinephrine auto-injector," a spring-loaded needle and syringe with a single dose of
7 epinephrine that will automatically release and inject the medicine, any similar automatic pre-
8 filled cartridge injector, or any similar automatic injectable equipment;

9 "Emergency medical technician," any class of emergency medical technician as defined in
10 this section;

11 Section 2. That chapter 36-4B be amended by adding thereto a NEW SECTION to read as
12 follows:

13 The department, under the direction of the board, shall train each emergency medical
14 technician to use an auto-injector in the administration of epinephrine in emergency cases of



1 anaphylactic shock.

2 Section 3. That chapter 36-4B be amended by adding thereto a NEW SECTION to read as
3 follows:

4 Any basic life support ambulance or rescue unit used by an emergency medical technician
5 for life-saving purposes shall be equipped with epinephrine auto-injectors for use in accordance
6 with all relevant medical protocols. Any such basic life support ambulance or rescue unit shall
7 be equipped with epinephrine auto-injectors appropriate for use on emergency patients of any
8 age.