

# State of South Dakota

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## HOUSE BILL NO. 1226

Introduced by: Representatives Bradford, Hargens, Valandra, and Van Norman and Senators Moore, Adelstein, Kooistra, and Olson (Ed)

1 FOR AN ACT ENTITLED, An Act to establish certain provisions regarding the custody and  
2 placement of Indian children.

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

4 Section 1. The court shall consider the unique values of the child's tribal culture when  
5 making a determination that serves in the best interest of the child during a child placement or  
6 custody proceeding. The court shall comply with the provisions of the federal Indian Child  
7 Welfare Act, Pub. L. No. 95-608, as codified in 25U.S.C., Chapter 21, as amended to January 1,  
8 2005.

