

SOUTH DAKOTA VOICES FOR CHILDREN
2010 Legislative Wrap-up

Summary: 9 gains, 11 losses *

BILL NUMBER	TITLE	PRIME SPONSOR	VOICES POSITION	FINAL STATUS	GAIN/LOSS
House Bill 1071	revise certain provisions relating to parental liability for willful acts of a child and to revise the limitation on recovery.	Representative Engels	Endorse	Passed House and Senate. Signed by Governor	GAIN
House Bill 1129	provide for the early reinstatement of a student expelled from school under certain circumstances.	Representative Steele	Endorse	Passed House and Senate. Signed by Governor	GAIN
House Bill 1133	prohibit minors from using certain wireless communication devices while operating motor vehicles upon the public highways and to provide certain exceptions.	Representative Cutler	Endorse	House Health and Human Services sent to 41st Day	LOSS
House Bill 1154	require written incident notice from law enforcement to a juvenile's school under certain circumstances.	Representative Bolin	Endorse	House Judiciary sent to 41st Day	LOSS
House Bill 1168	require children to attend school until age sixteen rather than age eighteen.	Representative Noem	Oppose	House Education sent to 41st Day	GAIN
House Bill 1178	prohibit the use of certain wireless communications devices while driving.	Representative Nygaard	Endorse	Passed House Transportation; defeated by the full House	LOSS
House Bill 1184	revise employee sick leave used for the care of a spouse, child, or parent of the employee if the spouse, child, or parent has a serious health condition.	Representative Jensen	Endorse	Tabled in House Health and Human Services	LOSS
House Bill 1204	authorize reasonable suspicion testing and prohibit the use of controlled substances by welfare recipients.	Representative Russell	Oppose	Tabled in House Health and Human Services	GAIN
House Bill 1240	create the South Dakota need-based grant fund, to provide for the transfer of certain unclaimed lottery prize money to the need-based grant fund, to provide for the awarding of certain need-based grants, and to repeal provisions relating to tuition equalization grants.	Representative Hunhoff	Endorse	Passed House and Senate. Vetoed by Governor. Overridden by both chambers	GAIN
House Bill 1244	increase the penalty for solicitation of a minor.	Representative Cutler	Endorse	Passed House (54-14) and Senate (28-7). Signed by Governor.	GAIN
House Bill 1255	lower the state sales and use tax on certain food items and to increase the rate of taxation for the sales and use tax on certain goods and services.	Representative Feinstein	Endorse	Passed House Taxation and then sent to House Appropriations where it was tabled. It was smoked out in the House floor with the House voting to not hear the bill 25-43.	LOSS
House Bill 1256	revise certain provisions regarding the enforcement of the requirement to wear a seat belt in a motor vehicle.	Representative Cutler	Endorse	House Judiciary sent to 41st Day	LOSS
House Bill 1259	allow school districts to charge students a fee to participate in interscholastic activities for which no academic credit is earned.	Representative Kirkeby	Oppose	House Education sent to 41st Day	GAIN



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Senate Bill 22	establish a fund for the collection of donations to the birth to three program.	Department of Education	Endorse	This bill was houghoused where the original content was removed and another education-related piece of legislation was inserted.	LOSS
Senate Bill 42	prohibit the employment of certain persons in unregistered family day care homes and to provide a penalty therefor.	Department of Social Services	Endorse	Passed House and Senate. Signed by Governor	GAIN
Senate Bill 173	provide a maximum finance charge for payday loans and title loans.	Senator Jerstad	Endorse	Senate Commerce sent to 41st Day	LOSS
Senate Bill 191	establish the South Dakota Early Learning Council, and to establish community planning processes and eligibility criteria for entities seeking state funding to provide voluntary prekindergarten programs to children from low-income families.	Senator Dempster	Initiate	Passed the full Senate and was heard in the House Education Committee. It was moved to the 41st Day but was smoked out. The House voted 27-41 to not hear the bill	LOSS
Senate Bill 193	expand medicaid eligibility for pregnant women and to provide an appropriation therefor.	Senator Adelstein	Initiate	Heard by Senate Appropriations on and moved to the 41st Day. Recalled from committee and voted to Do Not Pass.	LOSS

* While Voices' 8 gains were outpaced by 10 losses during the 2010 legislative session, many of the gains, including an override of the governor's veto of a need-based scholarship program, will significantly benefit South Dakota children. Issues on which Voices took a stand address the health, education, and safety of children. Voices' lead lobbyist in Pierre during the 2010 session was Dr. Greg Boris, senior policy and program specialist, assisted by Dr. Susan Randall, executive director.

