

# 2026 Legislative Session

## Navigating the Legislative Process

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## Key Session Dates

- First Day – January 13
  - State of the State @ 1:00 pm
- Last day for Introduction of individual bills – February 4
- Last day to pass bills by house of origin – February 24
- Last day for bill to pass both houses – March 9
- Last day of session – March 12
  - Veto day March 30 if needed

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# Department of Education Presentations

- Tentative Dates
  - Senate Education committee – January 14
  - House Education committee – TBD
  - Joint Appropriations Committee – February 3



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# Legislative Information and Resources

<https://sdlegislature.gov>

The screenshot shows the official website of the South Dakota Legislature. The header includes the state seal and the text 'SOUTH DAKOTA LEGISLATURE'. Below the header is a navigation menu with links to various legislative resources. The main body is split into two sections: 'SCHEDULE' on the left and 'LATEST' on the right. The 'SCHEDULE' section lists upcoming sessions for the House of Representatives, Senate, and Joint Committee on Appropriations. The 'LATEST' section features a grid of links to various resources including 2026 Bills, 2026 Calendar, 2026 Chambers and Committees, 2026 Legislators, Codified Laws, Legislative Rules, Resources, and Legislative Data.



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## 2026 Bills Search

LEGISLATORS | SESSION | INTERIM | LAWS | ADMINISTRATIVE RULES | BUDGET | STUDENTS | REFERENCES | MYLRC +

2026 Bills

All

House Bill	Senate Bill
House Concurrent Resolution	Senate Concurrent Resolution
	Senate Joint Resolution

Filter

Bill Type: House Bill —

Bill	Title
HB 1001	provide for prescribed burning of state-owned land by a person owning adjoining land and to declare an emergency.
HB 1002	revise the daily meal allowance for wildland fire employees and fire suppression forces in certain circumstances.
HB 1003	amend provisions pertaining to the required criminal background investigation of certain school employees.

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### ○ Key Word Suggestions

- District
- School
- Disability
- Education
- Special Education



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## Committees

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House of Representatives

Senate

House Agriculture and Natural Resources

Senate Agriculture and Natural Resources

House Commerce and Energy

Senate Commerce and Energy

House Committee on Appropriations

Joint Committee on Appropriations

Senate Committee on Appropriations

**House Education**

Senate Education

House Government Operations and Audit

House Education – 2026

A person may submit a request to appear from a remote site and give testimony before this committee. Submit requests, a digital handout, or written testimony at least 24 hours before the scheduled meeting to [houseed@sdslegislature.gov](mailto:houseed@sdslegislature.gov).

DETAIL | AGENDAS | MINUTES & AUDIO | BILLS | DOCUMENTS

Chair: [Greenfield, Lana](#)

Vice-Chair: [Stevens, Mike](#)

Room: Room 413

Days: MWF

Time: 7:45 AM

Representatives: [Arlint, Amber \(R\)](#); [Baxter, Heather \(R\)](#); [DeGroot, Roger \(R\)](#); [Garcia, Josephine \(R\)](#); [Greenfield, Lana \(R\)](#); [Halverson, Jim \(R\)](#); [Heermann, Melissa \(R\)](#); [Ismay, Travis \(R\)](#); [Jensen, Phil \(R\)](#); [Jordan, Dylan \(R\)](#); [Manhart, Logan \(R\)](#); [Rice, Kathy \(R\)](#); [Schwans, Tessa \(R\)](#); [Stevens, Mike \(R\)](#); [Uhre-Balk, Nicole \(D\)](#)

Staff: [Carlson, Jacob](#)

### ○ Key Committees

- Senate Education
- House Education
- Appropriations
  - House
  - Senate
  - Joint
- Health and Human Services



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# Legislator Information

Legislator Contacts

Find My Legislators

2026 Legislator Listing

Historical Listing

Legislator Term Limits (PDF)

Address List (CSV)

Archived

Find My Legislators

Counties: Haakon, Hughes, Hyde, Stanley, Sully

Legislators:

Name	Chamber	Party	Status	Occupation
Mehrhaff, Jim	Senate	Republican	Incumbent	Retired
Mortenson, Will	House	Republican	Incumbent	Attorney/Cow Hand
Weisgram, Mike	House	Republican	Incumbent	Retired/Business Owner

Prior effective Districts

Current Districts

Search in South Dakota

District

South Dakota Game Fish and Parks, Esri, TomTom, Garmin, FAO, NOAA, USGS, EPA, NPS, USFWS

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## Tracking Information

<https://mylrc.sdlegislature.gov/>



My LRC+

Session Bills

Add a new Bill List

Name

ADD

☒ Notify me my bill hearing schedule each legislative day

☒ Notify me when a new version of one of my bills is available

My Bill Lists

2026 - Education Number of Bills: 6	+	✉	👤	🗑
2026 - General Number of Bills: 4	+	✉	👤	🗑
2026 - Special Education Number of Bills: 1	+	✉	👤	🗑

- Tracking Bills will reset each session
- Check notification options
- Set up a Bill List for areas of Interest
  - Add Bills
  - Email Bill List
  - Download List
  - Upcoming Hearings for Tracked Bills

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## Add a Bill to Bill List

Bill List  
2026 - Education

RENAME ADD BILLS

View	Bill	Title	Status
Filter	Filter	Filter	Filter
HB 1003	amend provisions pertaining to the required criminal background investigation of certain school employees.	Active	
HB 1008	direct the amendment of the Administrative Rules of South Dakota regarding the awarding of high school credit for participation in extracurricular athletics.	Active	
HB 1017	permit the board of a school district to require that certain students receive instruction in alternative settings.	Active	
HB 1030	amend provisions pertaining to the timing of municipal elections.	Active	
SB 8	permit a school district to administer epinephrine using a nasal spray.	Active	
SB 34	amend provisions pertaining to conducting a municipal or school district election and to declare an emergency.	Active	

AUTOMATIC CRITERIA Quick Add Bill (Example: HB1001) ADD BILL

Filter by:

Keyword Assigned to Committee Sponsored by Committee Sponsored by Interim Committ...

Requested by Agency Prime Sponsor Prime Sponsor Filter by Text

View	Bill	Title	Introduced	Add
Filter	Filter	Filter	Filter	Filter
HB 1001	provide for prescribed burning of state-owned land by a person owning adjoining land and to declare an emergency.	12-19-2025	+	
HB 1002	revise the daily meal allowance for wildland fire employees and fire suppression forces in certain circumstances.	12-19-2025	+	
HB 1004	authorize the recall of county commissioners.	12-19-2025	+	
HB 1005	provide a sales and use tax exemption for goods and services related to data center operations.	12-26-2025	+	
HB 1006	create a taskforce to study the creation of Indian medicaid managed care entities in the state.	12-26-2025	+	

CLOSE

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## Tracking Statutes (Codified Law) - SDCL

My LRC+

Meetings Documents Notes Administrative Rules Statutes Bills Session Committees Interim Committees Archives Notifications

Statutes

Type in a Statute Number and click Add Statute to add the statute to your list. Add Statute will also work for any Title, Chapter or Section.

Statute Text Search Statutes

ADD STATUTE SEARCH

☒ Notify me when a bill is posted that could affect one of my statutes

My Statutes

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- Statute is changed through legislative process
- Based on input from constituents, changes proposed by Departments, legislative platforms...
- Legislator or Legislative Committee must sponsor bill
- Tracking Statute will provide notifications during legislative process

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# Tracking Committees

The screenshot shows the 'My LRC+' interface. On the left is a sidebar menu with options: Meetings, Documents, Notes, Administrative Rules, Statutes, Bills, Session Committees (highlighted), Interim Committees, Archives, and Notifications. Below the menu is a 'Dark Theme' toggle. The main content area has a header with 'Committee' and 'Chamber' dropdowns, and 'ADD COMMITTEE' and 'ADD CHAMBER' buttons. Below these are three checkboxes for notifications: 'Notify me about all committees.', 'Notify me when one of my committees posts an agenda or calendar', and 'Notify me when one of my committees posts minutes or a journal'. A section titled 'My Session Committees' lists: Government Operations & Audit, House Education, Joint Committee on Appropriations, and Senate Education, each with a trash icon to its right.

- Caution: Checking Committee Notifications may yield a high number of emails
- Adding to list without notifications will put on your Meetings list and save archived information but not send email notices

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# Meetings

The screenshot shows the 'My Meetings' interface. The sidebar menu is identical to the previous slide, with 'Session Committees' highlighted. The main content area has a header with 'My Meetings', 'ALL MEETINGS', and a 'Bill List' dropdown set to 'All'. There is an 'EXPORT CALENDAR' button. Below the header is a calendar view for 'January 2026'. The calendar has tabs for 'Year', 'Month', 'Week', and 'Day'. The 'Month' tab is selected, showing a grid for Monday 12 through Friday 16. The grid shows times from 6:00 am to 1:00 pm. On Monday 12, there is a 'No Event' entry at 6:00 am. On Wednesday 14, Thursday 15, and Friday 16, there are entries for '7:45 am - 5:00 pm CST Joint Committee on Appropriations: Room 362'.

- Meetings displays key dates and items you are tracking

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# Tracking Administrative Rule - ARSD

My LRC+

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Administrative Rules

Type in a Rule Number and click Add Rule to add the Rule to your list. Add Rule will work for any Title, Article, Chapter or Section.

Rule

Choose an Agency

ADD RULE

ADD AGENCY

SEARCH BY TEXT

☒ Notify me when one of my rules is updated

☐ Notify me when the register is posted

My Rules

24:03 SCHOOL ACCREDITATION (All)

24:05 SPECIAL EDUCATION (All)

- Education Rules are taken by the Department of Education to hearing and approval by the Board of Education Standards
- Rules may be brought based on legislation, federal law, input from stakeholders
- Tracking Rules will provide notification as rules go through that process
- Final step in rule adoption is at Interim Rules Review Committee – otherwise do not go through legislative process



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# Overall Notifications

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Notifications

☐ Receive browser push notifications when your committees convene, take up a new bill, recess, or adjourn. Also receive push lists are being debated. Push notification appearance will vary based on device.

Bills

☒ Notify me about my bill hearing schedule each legislative day

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Session Documents

☐ Notify me when a Fiscal Note is available.

Statutes

☒ Notify me when a bill is posted that could affect one of my statutes

Rules

☒ Notify me when one of my rules is updated



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