



2024 South Dakota Legislature

Senate Bill 103

Introduced by: **Senator Hoffman**

1 **An Act to standardize certain school safety practices.**

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

3 **Section 1. That a NEW SECTION be added to chapter 13-24:**

4 Each exterior door of a public school, if unlocked during regular school hours when
5 students are present, must be monitored and controlled by a school district employee who
6 is physically present. When the exterior doors of a public school are locked during regular
7 school hours when students are present, the main access doors of the public school must
8 be monitored by a school district employee through a video surveillance system or other
9 means.

10 **Section 2. That a NEW SECTION be added to chapter 13-32:**

11 The Department of Public Safety shall operate a school safety tipline, comprised of
12 a website, phone line, or mobile device application, that allows a person to anonymously
13 report any dangerous, violent, or unlawful activity that is being conducted, is reasonably
14 suspected of being conducted, or is threatened or planned to be conducted, on school
15 premises. The department shall, as appropriate, refer a report made through the tipline
16 to school officials, law enforcement personnel, or other service providers.

17 Each school district shall publicize the school safety tipline on its website and in a
18 conspicuous place in each school operated by the district.