



## 2024 South Dakota Legislature

# Senate Bill 14

Introduced by: **Senator Mehlhaff**

1 **An Act to expand authorization for the conditional taking of coyotes from**  
 2 **snowmobiles.**

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

4 **Section 1. That § 32-20A-12 be AMENDED:**

5 **32-20A-12.** ~~No person may~~Except as otherwise provided in this section, an  
 6 individual may not chase, drive, harass, kill, or attempt to kill any game animal or game  
 7 bird, with or from a snowmobile, ~~except that coyotes may be taken by a landowner or~~  
 8 ~~lessee on the landowner's property by shooting from stationary snowmobiles through the~~  
 9 ~~use of firearms if the operator of the snowmobile is at least eighteen years of age. Not~~  
 10 ~~more than one person may be aboard the snowmobile while coyotes are being hunted or~~  
 11 ~~taken pursuant to this section.~~

12 The prohibition of this section does not apply to an individual using a snowmobile  
 13 in the taking of a coyote if:

- 14 (1) The individual is on property that the individual owns or leases or the individual is  
 15 on the property as an invitee of the owner or lessee;  
 16 (2) The individual is at least eighteen years of age;  
 17 (3) The individual is using a firearm to take the coyote;  
 18 (4) The snowmobile is stationary at the time the individual shoots or attempts to shoot  
 19 the coyote; and  
 20 (5) No other individual is aboard the snowmobile.

21 A violation of this section is a Class 2 misdemeanor.