



## 2024 South Dakota Legislature

# Senate Bill 9

Introduced by: **Senator Tobin**

1 **An Act to further limit applications for clemency for violent crime offenders**  
2 **sentenced to life imprisonment.**

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

4 **Section 1. That § 24-15A-23 be AMENDED:**

5 **24-15A-23.** ~~An~~ The board may not hear an application for clemency ~~may not be~~  
6 ~~heard by the board~~ for one year after the date of the judgment. If an application for  
7 clemency is denied, an inmate may not again present an application for clemency for a  
8 period of one year. If an application for clemency is denied for an inmate convicted of a  
9 crime of violence, as defined in subdivision 22-1-2(9), and sentenced to life imprisonment,  
10 the inmate may not again present an application for clemency for a period of four years.