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SENATE BILL NO. 199

Introduced by: The Committee on Education at the request of the Office of the Governor

1 FOR AN ACT ENTITLED, An Act to increase the compulsory attendance age for school
2 attendance.

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

4 Section 1. That § 13-27-1 be amended to read as follows:

5 13-27-1. Every person having control of a child, who is six years old by the first day of
6 September and who has not exceeded the age of ~~sixteen~~ eighteen, shall cause the child to
7 regularly and annually attend some public or nonpublic school for the entire term during which
8 the public school in the district in which the person resides, or the school to which the child is
9 assigned to attend, is in session, until the child reaches the age of ~~sixteen~~ eighteen years, unless
10 the child has graduated or is excused as provided in this chapter.

11 Any child under age six enrolled in any elementary school or kindergarten program is
12 subject to the compulsory attendance statutes of this state. A waiver of the compulsory
13 attendance requirement for children under the age of seven years of age shall be granted by the
14 school district upon the request of the parents.

15 Section 2. The provisions of this Act are effective July 1, 2009. The provisions of this Act
16 apply to any student enrolled for the 2009-2010 school year.

