Thank you to everyone who attended the Zoom meeting on Friday and if you have any questions, contact Rebecca.

Week 5 was the busiest so far and it will only continue as we are behind on many of the bill hearings. The Appropriations Committee needs to adopt Revenue Estimates for the upcoming budget this coming week as we need to start the hearings on budgetary items.

HB 1100 – Bill that was hoghoused to deal with medical marijuana occurred last week and it is now a bill for the Dept of Health to create a task force to deal with rules and implementation of medical marijuana in 5 areas. Task Force would meet this summer and have hearings for people to give input. This bill will be heard now in House State Affairs on Wednesday.

SB 177 – Gov’s bill to eliminate all requirements of home schooling and allow home schoolers to participate in activities in districts. We have some of the most lenient rules for home schooling in the country and this is a bad bill for students, truancy, safety, academic preparation – Bill is on Senate floor on Wednesday and you should oppose. It is a bill basically to get home school kids in activities without the same rules as public school kids – not a fair, level playing field.

SENATE BILLS

SB 5 – Includes a child’s legal parents and custodians in the list of parties who may receive information related to reports of the child’s abuse or neglect – passed Senate 35-0. You don’t have to worry about revealing the people who report child abuse because I checked this out with DSS and all reports are confidential and can only be revealed through a judge’s order. This is designed for non-custodial parents. Bill was amended to replace the word custodian with the word guardian. Passed House committee 12-0 and passed House 69-0. On Gov’s desk
SB 7 – Permit Medicaid to qualify as a victim for purposes of restitution in criminal cases – bill was amended to delete just Medicaid and language was changed to government entity – passed Senate 35-0 and passed House committee – passed House 67-2. Gov signed
SB 14 – Limit the time children in need of supervision are held in detention under certain circumstances – passed committee 7-0, placed on consent, pulled from consent, then passed Senate 34-0 – passed House and is on Gov’s desk
SB 31 – Provide for release of adult abuse information to certain parties to assist in provision of adult protection services. Passed Senate 34-1
SB 34 – Appropriation of $100 million for broadband expansion – sent to Joint Appropriations Committee
SB 35 – Appropriation of $4 million to Revenue and Health for implementation, regulation, taxation, etc of marijuana – sent to the Joint Appropriation Committee
SB 46 – DOE bill to allow for consideration of certain instruction to count towards the minimum number of hours required in a school term- has emergency clause – passed Senate 35-0 and passed House Committee, passed House 69-1 – Gov signed
SB 49 – Annual levy bill for state aid, special education – will be around all session as this is one of the last bills to pass once budget is decided – sent to Joint Appropriations Committee
SB 64 – General appropriation bill for 2021 – what needs to be adjusted
SB 83 - Require the provision of information regarding perinatal hospice – Passed committee 7-0, passed Senate 34-0
SB 95 – Provide immunity for actions assisting an impaired lawyer or judge – passed committee 7-0, passed Senate 34-0. Assigned now to House Judiciary
SB 98 – Limit the application of the death penalty – passed committee 5-1, killed on Senate floor 13-20.
SB 102 – Network Bill to provide protection for voter registration for domestic violence persons – passed committee 6-0, passed Senate 33-0. Bill now goes to House Local Govt
SB 103 – Provides for confidentiality of personal information of persons affiliated with non-profit corporations – not sure how this affects various groups with federal grants – Senate Commerce
SB 124 – Provide for protections for the exercise of religious freedom – passed committee 8-1 and doesn’t have anything to do with transgender issues
SB 126 – Establish the crime of possession, manufacturing, or distribution of obscene dolls – support – bill is in trouble and needs to have two amendments to deal with age of child and penalty – will be heard again on Tuesday, 2/16
SB 148 – Establish the crime of torture of a human trafficking victim with penalty – support – 2/16 hearing
SB 166 – Revise provisions regarding hate crimes
SB 170 – Prohibit the conduct of certain physical exams or screenings of students without parental consent – Oppose – this is not happening in schools – bill was killed in committee
SB 177 – Eliminate all requirements for home schooling and allow them to participate in activities – Oppose – passed committee – 6-1 and is on the Senate floor on Wednesday
SB 183 – Abortion bill
SB 190 – Revises provisions regarding unfair or discriminatory practices – hearing on 2/18
SB 194 – General Appropriations Bill for next funding year

HOUSE BILLS

HB 1025 – DOE bill on deleting/revising certain outdated language related to education – passed House 70-0 – passed Senate 31-0, on Gov’s desk
HB 1030,1031,1032, 1033 – Retirement bills
HB 1046 – Limit liability for COVID 19 – includes non- profits, schools, businesses, insurance, etc – Support – bill passed committee 12-1 with 3 amendments – sunset date of 3 years, language addition to the health care section, and deletion of some language in Section 5. All are minor and fine with the coalition. Passed House 60-10, passed Senate committee 5-0 and passed Senate 29-3 - support
HB 1051 – Maintain the life of any child born alive – FYI – passed House 59-8, passed Senate committee 7-0, on Senate floor
HB 1055 – Authorizes certain children who are subject to military relocation to be eligible for registration with a state approved distance learning provider – Assigned to Military and Veterans Affairs Committee – was reassigned to the House Education Committee where the bill was amended by deleting the last line as it already is law. Passed committee and is back on House floor
HB 1067 – Modifies identification requirements for a marriage license and provides for a name change – passed committee with a minor amendment, passed House 70-0. Hearing in Senate committee on 2/17
HB 1075 – Limit directives and incentives for extreme risk protection orders with a penalty – this is a bill to NOT limit guns to people convicted of Domestic Violence – is a pre-emptive bill in case President issues any orders on taking guns away – ridiculous and dangerous bill – Hearing on 2/17.
HB 1077 – Gov’s bill on providing for licensure by endorsement for certain licensed professionals and occupations – passed House 67-3 and passed Senate committee and passed Senate 34-1. On Gov’s desk
HB 1080 – Bill to increase the enhanced penalty for simple assault – a 4th and 5th offense will have an enhanced felony charge
HB 1081 – Bill to increase the penalty for protection order violations – for a 4th and 5th offenses or subsequent offense, there will be an enhanced felony charge.
HB 1082 – Revises state aid for certain EL students testing option – this is a waiver bill to use either 2019-20 or 2020-21 data – passed committee – passed House 65-0 and passed Senate 31-0, on Gov’s desk
HB 1083 – Allows Sec of Educ to waive accountability requirements in emergency situations – passed committee – passed House 64-2, passed Senate 31-0, on Gov’s desk
HB 1102 – Revise certain definitions for sex offender registry – deals with facility that may be used incidentally to the primary purpose – passed House committee 11-1, passed House 67-1. Hearing in Sen Jud on 2/18
HB 1108 – Permit the playing of honor song or Lakota Flag Song at graduation
HB 1110, HB 1114, HB 1130 – all abortion related bills
HB 1132 – Adds dental hygienists to the mandatory reporters of child abuse – passed House committee 10-0 and passed House 48-18
HB 1150 – Bill on providing definitions regarding crime of rape – passed committee and passed House on consent 70-0
HB 1159 – Prohibit interference with the right to bodily integrity in contagious disease – anti vax bill – ridiculous – bill was killed in committee/41st day 9-3
HB 1161 – Provide for provisions regarding pregnancy help center consultations
HB 1178 – Rescind the statute of limitations for any civil cause of action arising out of childhood sexual abuse
HB 1187 – Require schools to provide instruction on SD Tribal history, culture, and govt – House State Affairs
HB 1204 – Revises criminal provisions regarding certain visual recordings or photographic devices – 2/18 hearing in committee
HB 1205 – Repeals the National Board for Teaching Standards – oppose – killed in committee/41st day.
HB 1212 – Clarify use of force
HB 1216 – Appropriates $15 million of federal money for family visitation rooms
HB 1217 – Promote continued fairness in women’s sports – totally an anti-transgender bill - assigned to House State Affairs
HB 1218 – Title bill
HB 1220 – Authorize the provisions of informed consent by a pregnant minor
HB 1223 – Prohibit certain social media censorship
HB 1224 – Requires the display of state motto in classrooms – killed in committee
HB 1236 – Remove irreconcilable differences as a cause for divorce – hearing on 2/17 – should oppose
HB 1241 – Provide for participation in a parent education program upon filing for divorce – 2/17 hearing in House Education Committee – need to look closely at this bill
HB 1248, HB 1251 – Abortion bills
HB 1279 – Appropriation bill for $900,000 for development of a K-12 civics and history curriculum
HB 1280 – Appropriates $1.5 million for updating educator certification system
HB 1283 – Appropriates $200,000 for updating the SD virtual school website, registration, and reporting system

Unfortunately, 7 people in House have Covid and will be participating remotely. We are trying to remain safe, but it is very difficult when masks are not required in one body or committee. I have removed
some bills that have been killed or withdrawn so report doesn’t get so long. Have a Happy Valentines Day and a great week.