Week 6 was hectic, and it will get even busier as this coming Thursday is Cross Over Day and all bills must be through the first house or they die. All title bills have to be dealt with also and some may just be sent to the second house. Revenue estimates were adopted for next year’s budget and it appears we will have about $30 million more in one time money so that will cause a feeding frenzy with many groups. Appropriations Committee is still behind and has a long week of work to get done.

HB 1100 – Bill that was hog housed 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 passed House committee 10-3 and is now on the House floor.

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 passed the Senate committee 6-1 and passed the Senate 21-14. 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. It is now in the House and all the education groups are opposing it and working on some amendments. You should call your House members to oppose as this bill is really bad on truancy and eliminates all requirements for home schooling.

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 purposed 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. Gov signed
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 102 – Network Bill to provide protection for voter registration for domestic violence persons – passed committee 6-0, passed Senate 33-0. Bill passed House Committee 13-0 and is on the consent calendar in the House on Monday
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 – passed committee 8-1 and passed Senate 33-2
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 – passed Senate 35-0
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, 2/23 in Sen Judiciary
SB 148 – Establish the crime of torture of a human trafficking victim with penalty – support – passed committee 5-0 but needs to get a prison impact statement and then will be on Sen floor
SB 166 – Revise provisions regarding hate crimes – was amended with minor language changes and passed committee 5-0
SB 170 – Prohibit the conduct of certain physical exams or screenings of students without parental consent – Oppose – this is not happening in schools – bill is back for hearing on 2/23 in Sen Educ
SB 177 – Eliminate all requirements for home schooling and allow them to participate in activities – Oppose – passed committee – 6-1 and passed Senate 21-14. See narrative at front of report
SB 183 – Abortion bill
SB 190 – Revises provisions regarding unfair or discriminatory practices – hearing on 2/23
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, Gov signed
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 – Gov signed.
HB 1051 – Maintain the life of any child born alive – FYI – passed House 59-8, passed Senate committee 7-0, passed House 32-3
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 passed House 68-0. Hearing in Senate on 2/23
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. Passed Sen. Committee 6-0 and is on Senate floor
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 – amendment is on the bill to exempt out any domestic violence issue – hearing on 2/22 – other groups are looking to kill this bill
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 – hearing on 2/24
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. Hearing on 2/24
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, Gov signed
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. Assigned to Sen Jud
HB 1108 – Permit the playing of honor song or Lakota Flag Song at graduation – House State Affairs
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 – 2/22 hearing in Sen Health
HB 1150 – Bill on providing definitions regarding crime of rape – passed committee and passed House on consent 70-0. Senate Judiciary
HB 1161 – Provide for provisions regarding pregnancy help center consultations – 2/22 hearing
HB 1178 – Rescind the statute of limitations for any civil cause of action arising out of childhood sexual abuse – hearing 2/22 in House Judiciary
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 – passed committee 12-0 and passed House 69-0
HB 1212 – Clarify use of force
HB 1216 – Appropriates $15 million of federal money for family visitation rooms – withdrawn by sponsor
HB 1217 – Promote continued fairness in women's sports – totally an anti-transgender bill - assigned to House State Affairs - hearing on 2/22
HB 1218 – Title bill
HB 1220 – Authorize the provisions of informed consent by a pregnant minor – 2/23 hearing
HB 1223 – Prohibit certain social media censorship – 2/22 hearing
HB 1236 – Remove irreconcilable differences as a cause for divorce – hearing on 2/17 – should oppose – bill was killed in committee/41st day 9-3
HB 1241 – Provide for participation in a parent education program upon filing for divorce – in House Education Committee – need to look closely at this bill – bill was amended to deal with minor child – passed 12-2 and is on House floor
HB 1248, HB 1251 – Abortion bills
HB 1279 – Appropriation bill for $900,000 for development of a K-12 civics and history curriculum – Appropriations Committee
HB 1280 – Appropriates $1.5 million for updating educator certification system – Approp Committee
HB 1283 – Appropriates $200,000 for updating the SD virtual school website, registration, and reporting system - Appropriations Committee

Three weeks left so just hang in there with us. If you have any questions, send to Rebecca. Thanks for all your help!