

State of South Dakota

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SENATE ENGROSSED NO. **SB 126** - 2/12/2019

Introduced by: Senators Heinert, Blare, Kennedy, Klumb, Maher, Monroe, Soholt, Stalzer, Sutton, and Youngberg and Representatives Bordeaux, Chase, Cwach, Dennert, Goodwin, Healy, Lesmeister, McCleerey, Schoenfish, Smith (Jamie), and Sullivan

1 FOR AN ACT ENTITLED, An Act to revise certain provisions regarding the common language
2 of the state and to recognize the official indigenous language of the state.

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

4 Section 1. That § 1-27-20 be amended to read:

5 1-27-20. The common language of the state is English. The common language is designated
6 as the language of any official public document or record and any official public meeting. The
7 official indigenous language of the state is the language of the O'ceti Sakowin, Seven Council
8 Fires, also known by treaty as the Great Sioux Nation, comprised of three dialects, Lakota,
9 Dakota, and Nakota.

