



## 2024 South Dakota Legislature

# Senate Bill 14

SENATE AGRICULTURE AND NATURAL RESOURCES ENGROSSED

Introduced by: **Senator Mehlhaff**

1 **An Act to expand authorization for the conditional taking of coyotes from**  
 2 **snowmobiles.**

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

4 **Section 1. That § 32-20A-12 be AMENDED:**

5 **32-20A-12.** ~~No person may~~ An individual may not chase, drive, harass, kill, or  
 6 attempt to kill any game animal or game bird, with or from a snowmobile, ~~except that~~  
 7 ~~coyotes may be taken by a landowner or lessee on the landowner's property by shooting~~  
 8 ~~from stationary snowmobiles through the use of firearms if the operator of the snowmobile~~  
 9 ~~is at least eighteen years of age. Not more than one person may be aboard the snowmobile~~  
 10 ~~while coyotes are being hunted or taken pursuant to this section.~~

11 Notwithstanding the prohibition of this section, an individual may use a snowmobile  
 12 in the taking of a coyote if:

- 13 (1) The individual is on property that the individual owns or leases or the individual is  
 14 on the property as an invitee of the owner or lessee;  
 15 (2) The individual is at least eighteen years of age;  
 16 (3) The individual is not engaged in harassing the coyote;  
 17 (4) The individual is using a firearm to take the coyote;  
 18 (5) The snowmobile is stationary at the time the individual shoots or attempts to shoot  
 19 the coyote; and  
 20 (6) No other individual is aboard the snowmobile.

21 A violation of this section is a Class 2 misdemeanor.