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SENATE BILL NO. 63

Introduced by: Senators Cammack, Cronin, DiSanto, Ewing, Heinert, Jensen (Phil), Klumb, Maher, Rusch, Schoenbeck, Soholt, Solano, and Wiik and Representatives Brunner, Chaffee, Finck, Frye-Mueller, Gosch, Gross, Hammock, Jensen (Kevin), Lake, Lesmeister, Livermont, Marty, Peterson (Kent), Qualm, Randolph, Rasmussen, Reimer, and Wiese

- 1 FOR AN ACT ENTITLED, An Act to increase the penalty for a subsequent conviction for
- 2 trespass to hunt, fish, or trap.
- 3 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF SOUTH DAKOTA:
- 4 Section 1. That § 41-9-8 be amended to read:
- 5 41-9-8. Any person who knowingly enters or remains on private property for the purpose
- of hunting, fishing, or trapping, in violation of § 41-9-1 or 41-9-2, shall lose hunting, trapping,
- 7 or fishing privileges for one year following the conviction. A person's hunting, fishing, or
- 8 trapping privileges shall be revoked for two years following the person's second, third, or
- 9 subsequent conviction of § 41-9-1. The sentencing court may order the revocation of hunting,
- fishing, or trapping privileges authorized by this section to be served consecutively with any
- other revocation of the person's hunting, fishing, or trapping privileges imposed for a violation
- 12 for which the person is convicted and for which revocation of the privileges is authorized under
- this title. If the person is the holder of a license to hunt, trap, or fish, the court shall require the

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- 1 license holder to surrender and deliver the license to the court to be returned to the Department
- 2 of Game, Fish and Parks. For the purpose of this section, the term, guilty, has the same meaning
- 3 as the term, conviction, in § 32-12-53.
- 4 Unarmed retrieval of lawfully taken small game from either private land or land controlled
- 5 by the Department of Game, Fish and Parks or other public lands, is not a crime or petty offense,
- 6 if the retrieval of the small game does not involve the use of a motor vehicle.
- 7 It is a Class 2 misdemeanor for any person, while engaged in the retrieval of small game
- 8 from private land without permission of the landowner or lessee of the land, to intentionally
- 9 drive or flush any small game located on the land toward other hunters of the retriever's same
- 10 hunting group located on other parcels of land or rights-of-way. It is a Class 2 misdemeanor for
- any person, who is a member of the same hunting group as the person performing the retrieval
- without the permission of the landowner or lessee of the land, to intentionally discharge a
- 13 firearm at small game, except waterfowl, that originates from the private land during the
- 14 retrieval.
- This section does not limit the civil remedies available to any landowner.