

AN ACT

ENTITLED, An Act to revise certain provisions related to the confidentiality of certain geological reports.

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

Section 1. That chapter 45-6C be amended by adding thereto a NEW SECTION to read as follows:

Any written geologic report, aquifer penetration report, map, test hole log, or other information relative to the geologic data, size, extent, or economic value of a mineral deposit filed with the state by a person who conducted a mineral exploration operation which was initiated or permitted before July 1, 1982, is confidential for a period of six months following the effective date of this Act. Any person who filed such reports or information may request the secretary of environment and natural resources, in writing, to extend the six month confidentiality period by up to five years. The information becomes public following the confidentiality period.

Section 2. That chapter 45-6D be amended by adding thereto a NEW SECTION to read as follows:

Any written geologic report, aquifer penetration report, map, test hole log, or other information relative to the geologic data, size, extent, or economic value of a mineral deposit filed with the state by a person who conducted a mineral exploration operation which was initiated or permitted before July 1, 1982, is confidential for a period of six months following the effective date of this Act. Any person who filed such reports or information may request the secretary of environment and natural resources, in writing, to extend the six month confidentiality period by up to five years. The information becomes public following the confidentiality period.

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I certify that the attached Act
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Secretary of the Senate

President of the Senate

Attest:

Secretary of the Senate

Speaker of the House

Attest:

Chief Clerk

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Chapter No. _____

Received at this Executive Office
this ____ day of _____ ,

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By _____
for the Governor

The attached Act is hereby
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Governor

STATE OF SOUTH DAKOTA,
ss.
Office of the Secretary of State

Filed _____, 20__
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Secretary of State

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