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HOUSE EDUCATION ENGROSSED NO. **SB 134** 03/04/2015

This bill has been extensively amended (hoghoused) and may no longer be consistent with the original intention of the sponsor.

Introduced by: Senators Rave and Sutton and Representatives Gosch and Hawley

1 FOR AN ACT ENTITLED, An Act to prohibit minor boundary changes for one year, to
2 establish the school district boundary task force, and to declare an emergency.

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

4 Section 1. That chapter 13-6 be amended by adding thereto a NEW SECTION to read as
5 follows:

6 Notwithstanding the provisions of any other law, no minor boundary change may be
7 proposed during the period of time beginning on April 1, 2015, and ending on June 30, 2016.

8 Section 2. There is hereby established the school district boundary task force. The task force
9 shall examine the boundaries of the existing school districts and recommend possible changes
10 to those school district boundaries. The task force will also recommend a process for addressing
11 minor boundary changes in the future once the moratorium established in section 1 of this Act
12 has ended. The task force will not discuss or make any recommendations regarding school
13 district reorganization.

14 Section 3. The task force shall consist of nine members to be appointed as follows:



1 (1) Three members of the South Dakota Senate appointed by the president pro tempore
2 of the Senate, no more than two of whom may be from one political party;

3 (2) Three members of the South Dakota House of Representatives appointed by the
4 speaker of the House of Representatives, no more than two of whom may be from
5 one political party; and

6 (3) Three members appointed by the Governor.

7 Section 4. The task force shall be staffed and funded by the Department of Education. The
8 task force shall complete its work and submit a final report to the Governor and to the Executive
9 Board of the Legislative Research Council no later than December 1, 2015.

10 Section 5. Whereas, this Act is necessary for the immediate preservation of the public peace,
11 health, or safety, an emergency is hereby declared to exist, and this Act shall be in full force and
12 effect from and after its passage and approval.