

State of South Dakota

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LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY, 2014

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HOUSE BILL NO. 1130

Introduced by: Representatives Erickson, Carson, Cronin, Gibson, Greenfield, Haggar (Don), Hajek, Heinert, Hoffman, Kopp, Langer, Mickelson, Novstrup (David), Olson (Betty), Qualm, and Verchio and Senators Monroe, Ewing, Kirkeby, Krebs, Novstrup (Al), Omdahl, Rampelberg, and Rave

1 FOR AN ACT ENTITLED, An Act to authorize the use of crossbows for hunting big game
2 animals during the firearm season.

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

4 Section 1. That chapter 41-8 be amended by adding thereto a NEW SECTION to read as
5 follows:

6 The provisions of § 41-8-31 notwithstanding, any person who holds a big game license to
7 take a big game animal during the firearm season may take the animal by using a crossbow in
8 lieu of a firearm. As used in this section, the term, crossbow, means a device for propelling an
9 arrow by means of traverse limbs mounted on a stock and a string. The crossbow may be drawn,
10 held, and released by a mechanical device and shall have at least one hundred twenty-five
11 pounds pull and have a working mechanical safety.

