



2025 South Dakota Legislature

House Bill 1218

Introduced by: **Representative Aylward**

1 **An Act to prohibit certain political subdivisions from imposing firearm restrictions**
 2 **on county, municipal, and township employees, officers, and volunteers.**

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

4 **Section 1. That a NEW SECTION be added to chapter 7-18:**

5 A board of county commissioners may not, by any method or means, prohibit or
 6 restrict an individual who is a county employee, officer, or volunteer, from lawfully
 7 possessing any concealed firearm and compatible ammunition, while the individual is
 8 within any county building, facility, or vehicle, or while on any real property, owned or
 9 leased by the county.

10 For purposes of this section, any "method or means" includes the adoption of a
 11 policy, the issuance of a guidance letter or statement, and any similar directive, whether
 12 written or oral.

13 **Section 2. That a NEW SECTION be added to chapter 8-4:**

14 A board of supervisors may not, by any method or means, prohibit or restrict an
 15 individual who is a township employee, officer, or volunteer, from lawfully possessing any
 16 concealed firearm and compatible ammunition, while the individual is within any township
 17 building, facility, or vehicle, or while on any real property, owned or leased by the
 18 township.

19 For purposes of this section, any "method or means" includes the adoption of a
 20 policy, the issuance of a guidance letter or statement, and any similar directive, whether
 21 written or oral.

22 **Section 3. That a NEW SECTION be added to chapter 9-14:**

23 The governing body of a municipality may not, by any method or means, prohibit
 24 or restrict an individual who is a municipal employee, officer, or volunteer, from lawfully

1 possessing any concealed firearm and compatible ammunition, while the individual is
2 within any municipal building, facility, or vehicle, or while on any real property, owned or
3 leased by the municipality.

4 For purposes of this section, any "method or means" includes the adoption of a
5 policy, the issuance of a guidance letter or statement, and any similar directive, whether
6 written or oral.