



2020 South Dakota Legislature

House Bill 1180

Introduced by: **Representative** Reed

1 **An Act to require certain infrastructure standards in certain annexed areas.**

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

3 **Section 1.** That a NEW SECTION be added:

4 **49-34A-55.1. Minimum electric infrastructure standards--Newly annexed**
5 **areas.**

6 If a municipality that owns and operates its own electric utility annexes an area
7 that is or will be served by an electric utility other than the municipal-owned utility, the
8 governing body of the municipality may require minimum electric infrastructure standards
9 for the annexed area. The electric utility has twenty-four months from the time the
10 governing body determines the standards to come into compliance. The minimum electric
11 infrastructure standards may not be more stringent than the infrastructure standards of
12 the municipal-owned electric utility. Infrastructure standards include both design and
13 installation requirements, that must be approved by the municipal-owned electric utility
14 before construction. Infrastructure standards may include aesthetics, capacity, and
15 redundancy.