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2020 South Dakota Legislature

House Bill 1195

HOUSE STATE AFFAIRS ENGROSSED

Introduced by: Representative Gosch

- An Act to provide an affirmative defense to pregnant women for certain controlled substance offenses.
- 3 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF SOUTH DAKOTA:
- 4 **Section 1.** That a NEW SECTION be added:
 - 22-42-23. Controlled Substance--Pregnant--Assault.

If a woman is charged with a crime under § 22-42-5 or 22-42-5.1 while pregnant, it is an affirmative defense if the woman provides proof she received adequate prenatal care, actively enrolled in an addiction recovery program before the child is born, remained in the program after delivery, and successfully completed the program, regardless of whether the child was born with a physical dependence on or was harmed by a controlled substance.