



2020 South Dakota Legislature

House Concurrent Resolution 6020

Introduced by: **Representative** Hansen

1 **A CONCURRENT RESOLUTION, Denouncing the National Education Association's**
2 **recent policy to support "the fundamental right to abortion."**

3 WHEREAS, delegates to the National Education Association's 2019 annual conference
4 passed a business item stating, "the NEA vigorously opposes all attacks on the right to choose
5 and stands on the fundamental right to abortion under Roe v. Wade"; and

6 WHEREAS, South Dakota recognizes that abortion ends the life of a whole, separate,
7 unique, living human being; and

8 WHEREAS, the National Education Association states, as one of its core values, that all
9 students have the human right to a quality public education; and

10 WHEREAS, all human rights begin with life; and

11 WHEREAS, the South Dakota Education Association is a state affiliate of the National
12 Education Association; and

13 WHEREAS, many South Dakota teachers and other education professionals acknowledge
14 the right to life of children within the womb and are opposed to abortion; and

15 WHEREAS, at public expense, the South Dakota teachers tirelessly fulfill their high calling
16 to form children in a love for knowledge, truth, justice, and magnanimous citizenship; and

17 WHEREAS, we, the duly elected representatives of the people of South Dakota, serve the
18 people by discharging the highest duty of government to protect the intrinsic, natural,
19 fundamental rights of all children of our state:

20 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the House of Representatives of the Ninety-Fifth
21 Legislature of the State of South Dakota, the Senate concurring therein, that the Legislature

1 denounces the National Education Association's abortion policy and strongly urges the
2 National Education Association to rescind the policy; and

3 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Legislature requests that the South Dakota Education
4 Association also denounce the National Education Association's abortion policy and strongly
5 urge the National Education Association to rescind the policy.