# Navigating the South Dakota Legislature website

The South Dakota Legislature's website posts the bills and resolutions introduced and acted on during the 2022 legislative session, a list of and contact information for legislators, committee meeting and chamber schedules for the House and Senate and links to listen to the proceedings.

This legislative resource provides a step-by-step breakdown to find the information listed above.

#### Finding and tracking a bill or resolution

1. Visit <u>www.sdlegislature.gov</u> to reach the legislature's homepage and move your cursor over the top of the "Legislative Session" link, but **do not** click the link:



- 2. When your cursor is over top of the "Legislative Session" link, a drop-down window will appear, click "2022 Bills" in the drop-down window;
- 3. After clicking the "2022 Bills" link, you will be taken to the bills' main page on which you will find the entire list of bills and resolutions submitted both in the House Senate as well as a variety of options to find a bill or resolution you are looking for:

2022 Bills	2022 Bills			
Text Search		A	1	
Subject Index		House Bill	Senate Bill	
		House Commemoration	Senate Commemoration	
Bill Reports		House Concurrent Resolution	Senate Concurrent Resolution	
		House Joint Resolution	Senate Joint Resolution	
		House Resolution	Senate Resolution	
		House Resolution of Disapproval	Senate Resolution of Disapproval	
	Filter			ά
	Bill	Title		_
	Bill Type: Ho	uuse Bill —		
	HB 1001	revise the freeze on assessments for dwellings of disabled and senior citizens.		
	Bill Type: Se	inate Bill —		
	SB 1	codify legislation enacted in 2021.		

4. If you know the specific bill or resolution you're looking for simply type in its number in the search bar found at the top of the bill list:

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Bill	Title	
Bill Type: House Bil	I —	
HB 1001	revise the freeze on assessments for dwellings of disabled and senior citizens.	

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6. Or you can utilize the search options located on the left side of the bills page, which includes:

2022 Bills		
Text Search		
Subject Index		
Bill Reports		

- The "2022 Bills" button will bring you to the bills home page;
- The "Text Search" button takes you to a subsequent webpage where you can enter text related to the bill you're searching for into the search field and click the search button;
- The "Subject Index" button brings you to another webpage where you can click on a keyword that relates to a bill's subject and organizes bills and resolutions that fall under that subject area;
- The "Bill Reports" button sends you to a webpage focused on the location of pieces of legislation and other report options.
- 7. If you're interested in perusing all or the most recently submitted legislation, which will appear at the end of each separated list, scroll through the list found on the bills home page:

Bill	Title
HB 1001	revise the membership of the Executive Board of the Legislative Research Council.
HB 1002	revise certain provisions concerning campaign finance requirements.
HB 1003	revise certain provisions concerning the content of the campaign finance disclosure reports and to declare an emergency.
HB 1004	revise certain provisions regarding petition forms for initiated measures and initiated a Keep scrolling for more
HB 1005	revise certain requirements for a recitation regarding the effect of a vote on certain ballor measures.
HB 1006	revise the extent of comments required by the director of the Legislative Research Council regarding certain ballot measures and the period of time in which those comments are to be made.
HB 1007	create a citizen initiative review commission to review initiated measures and initiated amendments to the Constitution and to prescribe the commission's powers and duties.

1. When you have found the piece of legislation you wish to review, click the blue bill number link:

SB 1 🧲	codify legislation enacted in 2021.	
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2. After you've clicked the link you will be taken to that piece of legislation's specific page, on which you can review the title, sponsors, subject's associated with, action taken on it, links to review it in either PDF or HTML (webpage) format and potential amendments:

Senate Bill 1				BACK TO FULL LIST			
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Title:	codify legislation enacted in 2021.						
Sponsors:	The Committee on Judiciary at the	Committee on Judiciary at the request of the Code Commission					
Subjects:	Code Commission, Legislature and	1 Statutes					
Want to add this bill to one o	f your tracking lists? Logon to MyLRC						
Date	Action	Audio	Location				
		No data available					
		Bill Text Versions					
Date	HTML Form	nat	PDF Format				
12/21/2021	Introduce	d	Introduced				
		Possible Amendments	5				
Requested By	In Context PDF	In Context HTML	Instructions PDF	Instructions HTML			

3. Four columns found on the bill or resolution's specific page will update you on its progress:

Date	Action	Audio	Location
01/14/2014	First read in House and referred to House Education H.J. 15		
02/05/2014	Scheduled for hearing	A.	1:36:15
02/05/2014	Education Deferred to the 41st legislative day, Passed, <u>YEAS 9, NAYS 5</u> . H.J. 302	ৰ <b>ি</b>	1:36:15

- The "Date" column shares the last date of action made on the bill and a hyperlink that recaps the day's account related to the bill;
- The "Action" provides a summary of what take place on the date as it relates to the bill;
- The "Audio" column offers a hyperlink to SDPB's audio coverage of the committee or floor hearing of the bill;
- The "Location" column time stamps the start of the discussion on the bill.

## **Finding your legislator**

1. Visit <u>www.sdlegislature.gov</u> to reach the legislature's homepage and move your cursor over the top of the "Legislators" link, but **do not** click the link:



- 2. When your cursor is over top of the "Legislators" link, a drop-down window will appear, click "Legislator Contacts" in the drop-down window;
- 3. On the Legislator Contacts page, you will find an alphabetic listing and accompanying photo of the 2022 legislators in the House and Senate and links to their legislative profile webpage and legislative email address, as well a corresponding phone number:

2022 Legislators			
House Members		Senate Members	
	Anderson, David L District: 16 View Profile G605-310-1645 David Anderson@sdlegislature.gov		Bolin, Jim District: 16 ♥ View Profile € 605-261-9669 ♥ Jim.Bolin@sdlegislature.gov
	Aylward, Aaron District: 06 View Profile Aaron.Aylward@sdlegislature.gov		Breitling, Bryan J Distriet: 23 ✓ View Profile € 605-853-3040 ☑ Bryan.Breitling@sdlegislature.gov

4. Once you've found the legislator you're looking for click the blue "View Profile" link to review additional information about your legislator:



- The "Detail" link displays the same information shown in the picture above;
- The "Committees" link lists the legislative committees the legislator is a member of, their role on committee and the day(s), time and location of the committee meeting;
- The "Bills" link lists the bills, resolutions and commemorations the legislator is either the prime sponsor or co-sponsor of;
- The "Hearings" link may list the committee hearing the legislator has testified at;

6. The "Legislators" drop-down menu also offers options for you to review legislators and information:



- The "Find My Legislators" option allows you to search for legislators via their legislative district'
- The "2022 Legislator Listing" provides sortable lists of legislators from each body;
- The "Historical Listing" allows you to search the name of a legislator to see when they served in the body;
- The "Legislator Term Limits (PDF)" is a downloadable listing of when legislators' terms are up in their respective chambers;
- The "Address List" downloads a spreadsheet containing contact information of legislators;
- The "Archived" option allows you to search legislator lists from previous sessions.

### Finding a legislative committee

1. Visit <u>www.sdlegislature.gov</u> to reach the legislature's homepage and move your cursor over the top of the "Session" heading and click the "2022 Chambers/Committees" link:



2. On the left side of the 2022 Committees homepage a listing of each legislative committee from both chambers will appear and to review a committee's information, click its corresponding link:



3. Once you have clicked the link for the committee, or legislative chamber, you wish to review, you'll be taken to their specific page where additional information is provided:

Senate Education	— 2022
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DETAIL AGENDA	AS MINUTES & AUDIO BILLS DOCUMENTS
Chair:	Curd, R. Blake
onum.	
Vice-Chair:	Schoenfish, Kyle
Room:	Room 423
Days:	TTh
Time:	7:45 AM
Senators:	Bolin, Jim (R); Curd, R. Blake (R); Heinert, Troy (D); Schoenfish, Kyle (R); Smith, V. J. (R); Steinhauer, Wayne (R); Tobin, Erin (R)
Staff:	Madsen, Anna

- The "Detail" tab lists the committee's Chair, Vice-Chair, members, room in the Capitol building in which they meet, days they meet, time they meet and LRC staff member;
- The "Agendas" tab will list the past and present agendas for each committee meeting with the date and time at which they are scheduled to meet;
- The "Minutes & Audio" tab will provide links to the minutes of each committee meeting and the audio from the corresponding meeting;
- The "Bills" tab will list each bill or resolution the committee has held a hearing on;
- The "Documents" tab will list any documents submitted to the committee.

# Reviewing schedule for and listening to a legislative committee meeting or chamber discussion

 To review the daily schedule of the legislature's committees and chambers and find live audio links to these meetings, visit <u>www.sdlegislature.gov</u> to reach the legislature's homepage and move your cursor over the top of the "Session" heading and click the "2022 Schedule" link:

SESSION INTERIM LAWS
2022 Bills
2022 Chambers/Committees
2022 Conference Committees
2022 General
2022 Schedule
Archived

2. On the "Session Schedule" page you will find a list of the House and Senate's committees and chamber schedules for the day:

Current Sc	Current Schedule						
Broadcasts are Click for th	e live audio broadcast. e provided by SDPB. e Committee Live Scoreb ng date to see the Agenda						
	Date	Weekday	Time	Meeting	Location		
	1/04/2022	Tuesday	9:00 AM CST	Appropriations	Room 362	*	
	1/05/2022	Wednesday	9:00 AM CST	Appropriations	Room 362	*	
	1/06/2022	Thursday	9:00 AM CST	Appropriations	Room 362	*	
	1/06/2022	Thursday	2:00 PM CST	Rules Review	Room 414	*	
	1/10/2022	Monday	9:00 AM CST	Appropriations	Room 362	*	
	1/11/2022	Tuesday	3:00 PM CST	Joint Committee on Appropriations	Room 362	*	

3. To listen to the live audio, click the SDPB icon **(shown in the image above)** at the corresponding date and time of committee and/or chamber meeting.