

Governor Signs Performance Funding Bill



PIERRE, S.D. (March 25, 2013) – Members of an interim committee on postsecondary education joined Gov. Dennis Daugaard to commemorate the signing of three Senate bills that were products of a 2012 summer study. Effective July 1, the new laws provide a framework for performance funding of the public universities; create a state Council on Higher Education Policy Goals, Performance, and Accountability; require reporting of outcomes on licensure and certification exams taken by graduates of public postsecondary institutions in South Dakota; and mandate a common report on job placement outcomes for all graduates of the state’s public universities and technical institutes. On hand for the bill signing were (from left); Jack Warner, executive director and CEO of the South Dakota Board of Regents; Sen. Russell Olson of Wentworth; Gov. Daugaard; former Rep. Tad Perry of Fort Pierre; Rep. Dan Dryden of Rapid City; and Sen. Jim White of Huron. Olson, Perry, Dryden, and White were members of the 2012 interim study committee.

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