

2018 Legislative Report
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Below is a summary of the bills that were tracked on your behalf during the 2018 Legislative Session:

HB 1161 – which replaced the 2015 Building Code with the 2018 edition of the International Building Code, passed both Houses and awaits the Governor's signature.

SD25 – imposes a new tiered storm water fee and assessment on industrial sites required to operate under a water control permit for storm water discharges. This bill was brought at the request of the Department of Environmental and Natural Resources and passed both Houses and was signed by the Governor on March 5, 2018. It will go into effect July 1, 2018.

HB 1319 – garnered much attention during the legislative session. The bill would have created an Interstate Compact for Temporary Licensure of Professionals in order to allow member states to expediently grant temporary licenses to eligible licensees moving to the state. There were attempts to modify the bill in the House, but ultimately the amendment was rejected and the bill lost. SB 172 was an act to create certain opt outs from the professional licensing requirement set forth in HB 1319. Due to the defeat of HB 1319, SB 172 was no longer needed and hence, was tabled by the Senate.

Various other bills failed to garner passage, including SB 4, which would have created a Building South Dakota Fund for the purpose of building and reinvesting in South Dakota's economy and SB 5, which allowed any person holding a permit under this proposal to obtain a refund or credit of sales or use tax.

We have appreciated the opportunity to again assist you before the 2018 legislature. If you have any questions regarding this report or other matters which have arisen, please do not hesitate to contact us.

*Thank you,
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