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Good afternoon

I am submitting a final copy of my proposed initiated proposal as stated in SD **12-13-25.1**

Be it enacted by the people of South Dakota:

Each school district shall require that every school day begin with each teacher Grades K through 12 leading their students in the non-denominational prayer provided in this section.

The teacher shall lead their students in the prayer reciting phrase by phrase with each student repeating each phrase. The text of this prayer is as follows:

"Almighty God, who is aware of His creation, who keeps it going and judges it, please have mercy on us."

This act excuses the participation of both teachers and students whose parents object on religious grounds to the saying of the prayer mentioned in this section.

Those seeking a religious exemption from participating in prayer shall submit their request in writing to the school principal.

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