

SDSRT Legislative Committee Report
January 24, 2019

The SDSRT Legislative Committee plans to meet with newly elected Governor Kristi Noem to reintroduces ourselves and discuss the concern for minimum educational requirements for medical professionals utilizing ionizing radiation in healthcare. Previously then-US Representative Noem had taken the position that the CARE Bill initiative was a “state’s rights” issue. Now that she is Governor we would like to discuss this issue with her again to see what her position is. We hope to schedule a meeting when Governor Noem is in Sioux Falls and expect to complete this meeting by Annual Conference time in April.

Information is being compiled to renovate the SDSRT’s Legislative page within sdsrt.org. The ASRT has launch a comprehensive informational platform called the ASRT Advocacy Action Center. We would like to see how this can be integrated within our page, as this provides more complete and up to date information. We are working with the ASRT to determine how to best accomplish this. Updated information will be presented soon with a completion goal of Annual Conference time.

The SDSRT Legislative Committee Chair also participates in the ASRT Committee on RT Advocacy Regional Subcommittee and just recently attended the first conference call of the term. We shared our information about the change in Governor and our plans to meet. We have some great support from neighboring states. Brandon Holt from Nebraska has offered to meet with the Committee to share information on their licensure and how it applies in their rural state. It is a good idea to have a plan set if licensure becomes a reality that we’ve researched how we recommend the format to look to best serve the interest of the technologists. The ASRT Governance team is also sending us recommendations.