

**SOUTH DAKOTA INVESTMENT COUNCIL
INVESTMENT POLICY FOR
SOUTH DAKOTA CASH FLOW FUND ASSETS
(South Dakota Codified Law 4-5-28)**

1. PURPOSE

The purpose is to define the objectives and policies related to the State of South Dakota Cash Flow Fund investment assets. The investment policies conform with laws governing the investment assets of the fund.

2. PRUDENCE

Assets are invested according to a prudent man standard. (SDCL 4-5-27)

3. OBJECTIVES

The investment objectives are:

A. Safety of Principal

Investment purchases are limited to investment grade fixed income securities.

B. Liquidity

The fund is managed with liquidity tiers to enable the state to meet all reasonably anticipated cash requirements.

C. Return

The return objective is to achieve and exceed the rate of return of the benchmark over the short to intermediate term.

4. DELEGATION OF AUTHORITY

The State Investment Officer is responsible for investment of state public funds as defined in SDCL 4-4. (SDCL 4-5-23) Assets are invested according to established written procedures and internal controls consistent with investment policies adopted by the Council. (SDCL 4-5-29)

5. ETHICS AND CONFLICT OF INTEREST

Council staff shall adhere to *The Code of Ethics and Personal Investing Guidelines for SDIC Staff* which includes *The Code of Ethics and Standards of Professional Conduct* established by the CFA Institute.

6. AUTHORIZED FINANCIAL DEALER AND INSTITUTION

Security transactions are executed with broker/dealers approved by the State Investment Officer. Safekeeping of securities is provided by a custodial agent approved by the Council. (SDCL 4-5-31)

7. AUTHORIZED AND SUITABLE INVESTMENTS

Approved investment securities are listed in SDCL 4-5-26.

8. INTERNAL CONTROLS/ANNUAL AUDIT

The Council and staff are responsible for establishing and maintaining an internal control structure designed to ensure that the assets of the fund are protected from loss, theft or misuse. The Auditor General is responsible for conducting an audit of investments and shall submit an annual audit report to the Council. (*SDCL 4-5-35*)

9. PERFORMANCE STANDARDS

Benchmarks for the components of the fund are established by the Council.

10. REPORTING

State statute requires that monthly transactions be provided to the Council on a timely basis. (*SDCL 4-5-32*)

State statute requires the Council to report annually to the Legislature with respect to a review of Council activities. (*SDCL 4-5-36*)

Other reports are provided to the Council for their information.

Public Records and Files laws exempt the Council from disclosure of financial and proprietary information. (*SDCL 1-27-1.6(5) and 1-27-30*)

11. POLICY AMENDMENT

This policy shall be periodically reviewed. Any changes require Council approval.