



## 2022 South Dakota Legislature

# House Bill 1106

*Introduced by: The Committee on Judiciary at the request of the Chief Justice*

1 **An Act to provide for the security and privacy of certain personally identifiable**  
 2 **information for judicial officers and to declare an emergency.**

3 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF SOUTH DAKOTA:

4 **Section 1. That § 3-1A-5 be AMENDED:**

5 **3-1A-5.** The secretary of state shall prescribe and provide forms for the reporting  
 6 of close economic interest. The value of a close economic interest need not be reported.  
 7 Each individual filing a statement of financial interest shall subscribe to an oath or  
 8 affirmation verifying the contents of ~~such~~ the statement. All statements of financial  
 9 interest shall be open to public inspection, except pursuant to section 2 of this Act.

10 **Section 2. That chapter 3-1A be amended with a NEW SECTION:**

11 Any personally identifiable information of a circuit court judge or justice of the  
 12 Supreme Court contained in a statement of financial interest filed pursuant to this chapter  
 13 is not open to public inspection. For purposes of this section, the term, personally  
 14 identifiable information, means any home address, home or personal telephone number,  
 15 or personal e-mail address. The county of residence of the circuit court judge or justice is  
 16 a public record.

17 **Section 3. That § 12-4-2 be AMENDED:**

18 **12-4-2.** The county auditor has complete charge of maintaining and safeguarding  
 19 the voter registration records in the county. The county auditor shall retain all voter  
 20 registration records in the auditor's office in paper or electronic form. All such records  
 21 shall be open to public inspection at all times during office hours, except pursuant to § 12-  
 22 4-9 and section 4 of this Act.

23 Voter registration shall be conducted by each county auditor and municipal finance  
 24 officer. Voter registration shall be available at the secretary of state's office and at those

1 locations which provide driver licenses; food stamps; temporary assistance for needy  
2 families; women, infants, and children nutrition program; medicaid; military recruitment;  
3 and assistance to the disabled as provided by the Department of Human Services.

4 **Section 4. That chapter 12-4 be amended with a NEW SECTION:**

5 The voter registration record for a magistrate judge, circuit court judge, or justice  
6 of the Supreme Court eligible to vote under § 12-4-1 is not open to public inspection. The  
7 Unified Judicial System shall provide a list of judicial officers to the secretary of state.

8 **Section 5. That chapter 12-9 be amended with a NEW SECTION:**

9 Any personally identifiable information filed pursuant to this chapter with the Office  
10 of the Secretary of State by or on behalf of any candidate for the office of judge of the  
11 circuit court or a justice of the Supreme Court subject to a retention election is not open  
12 to public inspection. For purposes of this section, the term, personally identifiable  
13 information, means any home address, home or personal telephone number, or personal  
14 email address. The county of residence of the candidate for the office of judge or justice  
15 subject to a retention election is a public record.

16 **Section 6. That § 12-25-31 be AMENDED:**

17 **12-25-31.** The secretary of state shall prescribe and provide forms for the  
18 reporting of close economic interest. The value of a close economic interest need not be  
19 reported. Each individual filing a statement of financial interest shall subscribe to an oath  
20 or affirmation verifying the contents of such statement. All statements of financial interest  
21 shall be open to public inspection, except pursuant to section 7 of this Act.

22 **Section 7. That chapter 12-25 be amended with a NEW SECTION:**

23 Any personally identifiable information contained in a statement of financial  
24 interest filed pursuant to this chapter by a candidate for circuit court judge or Supreme  
25 Court justice subject to a retention election is not open to public inspection. For purposes  
26 of this section, the term, personally identifiable information, means any home address,  
27 home or personal telephone number, or personal email address. The county of residence  
28 for the candidate for the office of judge or justice subject to a retention election is a public  
29 record.

- 1 **Section 8.** Whereas, this Act is necessary for the immediate preservation of the public peace,
- 2 health, or safety, an emergency is hereby declared to exist, and this Act shall be in full force
- 3 and effect from and after its passage and approval.