



## 2025 South Dakota Legislature

# Senate Bill 68

Introduced by: **Senator** Carley

1 **An Act to require an individual be a citizen of the United States before being eligible**  
 2 **to vote and to provide a penalty therefor.**

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

4 **Section 1. That § 12-3-1 be AMENDED:**

5 **12-3-1.** ~~Every person who, at the time of an election, maintains~~ An individual may  
 6 vote at an election in this state only if, at the time of the election, the individual:

7 (1) Is a citizen of the United States;

8 (2) Maintains residence in this state, ~~will be as defined in § 12-1-4;~~

9 (3) Is at least eighteen years of age ~~or older on or before the next election, is;~~

10 (4) Is not otherwise disqualified, ~~and complies;~~ and

11 (5) Complies with the law regarding the registration of voters, ~~pursuant to chapter 12-~~  
 12 4, ~~may vote at any election in this state.~~

13 A violation of this section is a Class 5 felony.