

2025 South Dakota Legislature

Senate Bill 21**AMENDMENT 21B
FOR THE INTRODUCED BILL**

1 **An Act to prevent a member of a governing body from assisting in the canvass of**
2 **the votes for an office for which the member is a candidate.**

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

4 **Section 1. That § 12-20-36 be AMENDED:**

5 **12-20-36.** Within six calendar days after the close of any election, the officer in
6 charge of the election, with the assistance of a majority of the governing board as the
7 canvassing board, shall make the canvass of votes. Each member of the governing board
8 may name and have on file with the officer in charge of the election a person to represent
9 the member at the official canvass in the event of the member's absence for cause. A
10 member of the ~~governing~~ board of county commissioners may not assist with the canvass
11 of the votes for an office for which the member is a candidate.