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SENATE BILL NO. 11

Introduced by: Senators Nesiba and Otten (Ernie) and Representatives Soli and Reed at the request of the Initiative and Referendum Task Force

1 FOR AN ACT ENTITLED, An Act to revise certain provisions regarding the time period during
2 which petition sponsors may submit ballot measures to the Legislative Research Council for
3 review and comment.

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

5 Section 1. That § 12-13-25 be amended to read:

6 12-13-25. The sponsors of each initiative or initiated amendment to the Constitution shall
7 submit a copy of the initiative or initiated amendment to the Constitution to the director of the
8 Legislative Research Council for review and comment not more than six months before it may
9 be circulated for signatures under § 2-1-1.1 or 2-1-1.2. The director shall review each submitted
10 initiative or initiated amendment to the Constitution to determine if the requirements of § 12-13-
11 24 are satisfied and if the initiative or initiated amendment to the Constitution may have any
12 impact on revenues, expenditures, or fiscal liability of the state or its agencies and subdivisions.
13 Within fifteen days of receipt of an initiative or initiated amendment to the Constitution, the
14 director shall provide written comments on the initiative or initiated amendment to the
15 Constitution to the sponsors of the initiative or initiated amendment, the attorney general, and



- 1 the secretary of state for the purpose of assisting the sponsors in complying with § 12-13-24.
- 2 The sponsors may, but are not required to, amend the initiative or initiated amendment to the
- 3 Constitution to comply with the director's comments.