

AN ACT

ENTITLED, An Act to revise the extent of comments required by the director of the Legislative Research Council regarding certain ballot measures and the period of time in which those comments are to be made.

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

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

12-13-25. The sponsors of each initiated measure or initiated amendment to the Constitution shall submit a copy of the initiated measure or initiated amendment to the Constitution to the director of the Legislative Research Council for review and comment before it may be circulated for signatures. The director shall review each submitted initiated measure or initiated amendment to the Constitution to determine if the requirements of § 12-13-24 are satisfied and if the initiated measure or initiated amendment to the Constitution may have any impact on revenues, expenditures, or fiscal liability of the state or its agencies and subdivisions. Unless as otherwise provided under section 2 of this Act, not more than fifteen work days following receipt of an initiated measure or initiated amendment to the Constitution, the director shall provide written comments on the initiated measure or initiated amendment to the Constitution to the sponsors of the initiated measure or initiated amendment, the attorney general, and the secretary of state for the purpose of assisting the sponsors in complying with § 12-13-24. The director's written comments under this section shall include assistance regarding the substantive content of the initiated measure or initiated amendment in order to minimize any conflict with existing law and to ensure the measure's or amendment's effective administration. The sponsors may, but are not required to, amend the initiated measure or initiated amendment to the Constitution to comply with the director's comments.

Section 2. That the code be amended by adding a NEW SECTION to read:

If the director of the Legislative Research Council receives any initiated measure or initiated

amendment to the Constitution from the first day of December to the day of adjournment sine die of the following legislative session, inclusive, the director shall provide written comments as required pursuant to § 12-13-25 not more than fifteen work days following adjournment sine die of the legislative session.

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I certify that the attached Act originated in the

HOUSE as Bill No. 1006

Chief Clerk

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Speaker of the House

Attest:

Chief Clerk

President of the Senate

Attest:

Secretary of the Senate

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Received at this Executive Office this ____ day of _____ ,

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The attached Act is hereby approved this _____ day of _____ , A.D., 20__

Governor

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STATE OF SOUTH DAKOTA,
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Office of the Secretary of State

Filed _____ , 20____
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Secretary of State

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