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HOUSE ENGROSSED NO. **SB26** - 2/6/97

Introduced by: The Committee on Local Government at the request of the State Board of
Elections

1 FOR AN ACT ENTITLED, An Act to revise the requirements for the type of facilities that may
2 be provided assistance concerning absentee ballots during a general election.

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

4 Section 1. That § 12-19-9.1 be amended to read as follows:

5 12-19-9.1. If there is any ~~health care facility~~ nursing facility, assisted living center, or hospital
6 as defined in § 34-12-1.1 within any county from which there might reasonably be expected to
7 be five or more absentee applications, the county auditor shall notify the person in charge of that
8 facility and the chairman of the county central committee of each party and any other person who
9 has filed a request to be notified of the date and time at which representatives of the auditor's
10 office will be present to assist the residents of that facility to vote, utilizing the absentee
11 procedure. Any political party, independent candidate and nonpolitical candidate may assign a
12 person to accompany the auditor's representatives. At the date and time announced, the auditor's
13 representative and the representatives of the parties, independent candidates, and nonpolitical
14 candidates, ~~if such there be,~~ shall deliver ballots to and assist all persons at that facility who
15 desire such assistance and who have applied for absentee ballots. This section applies only to a

1 general election

1 **BILL HISTORY**

2 1/14/97 First read in Senate and referred to Local Government. S.J. 16

3 1/22/97 Scheduled for Committee hearing on this date.

4 1/22/97 Local Government Do Pass Amended, AYES 5, NAYS 2.

5 1/27/97 Senate Do Pass Amended, AYES 29, NAYS 5. S.J. 174

6 1/28/97 First read in House and referred to Local Government. H.J. 180

7 2/4/97 Scheduled for Committee hearing on this date.

8 2/4/97 Local Government Do Pass, AYES 11, NAYS 2. H.J. 290

9 2/5/97 House of Representatives Do Pass Amended, AYES 61, NAYS 6. H.J. 331