State of South Dakota

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SENATE BILL NO. 6

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

1	FOR AN ACT ENTITLED, An Act to require the notification to the secretary of state of the
2	nomination of certain convention nominees and of the election of certain party officials.
3	BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF SOUTH DAKOTA:
4	Section 1. That chapter 12-5 be amended by adding thereto a NEW SECTION to read as
5	follows:
6	The chairperson of the national convention of each political party recognized pursuant to
7	§ 12-1-3 or 12-5-1 shall certify the names of the convention nominees for President and vice-
8	president of each political party to the secretary of state immediately following the convention.
9	If the national certification is not received or is inconclusive, the names shall be certified by the
10	state chairperson of that party at the request of the secretary of state.
11	Section 2. That § 12-5-14 be amended to read as follows:
12	12-5-14. The precinct committeemen and the precinct committeewomen of each political
13	party elected at the primary election; the state committeemen and committeewomen; the county
14	chairman, vice-chairman chairperson, vice-chairperson, and secretary-treasurer or secretary and
15	treasurer; and the elected public officers who reside in the county, shall constitute the county

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central committee of their respective parties. They shall form their party organization by electing a county chairman, a vice-chairman chairperson, a vice-chairperson, a secretary-treasurer or a secretary and a treasurer, a state committeeman and a state committeewoman, who shall hold their offices until their successors have been elected. A majority vote of the precinct committeemen and committeewomen, state committeemen and committeewomen, county officers and elected public officers present, shall constitute an election which shall be certified to the county auditor, except that the election of state committeemen, committeewomen and county chairmen chairpersons shall also be certified to the secretary of state. Each political party shall adopt bylaws pursuant to § 12-5-1.1 determining the organization and procedure of its county central committee. The name and address of the state party chairperson shall be certified to the secretary of state immediately following the election or appointment of the state party chairperson.