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SENATE BILL NO. 13

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

1 FOR AN ACT ENTITLED, An Act to revise certain municipal and school election procedures.

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

3 Section 1. That § 9-13-1 be amended to read as follows:

4 9-13-1. In ~~every~~ each municipality an annual election for the election of officers shall be held
5 on the second Tuesday of April of each year, at ~~such~~ a place in each ward of the municipality as
6 the governing body shall designate. The polls at ~~such~~ the election shall be kept open continuously
7 from ~~eight o'clock in the forenoon~~ seven a.m. until seven o'clock in the evening. However, the
8 governing body of the municipality may, by ordinance, provide for the opening of the polls at
9 ~~seven o'clock p.m.~~

10 Section 2. That § 9-13-13 be amended to read as follows:

11 9-13-13. ~~Notice of every~~ A notice of each municipal election shall be ~~given by publication~~
12 ~~thereof published~~ once each week for two successive weeks, the first publication may not be less
13 than ten days prior to ~~such~~ the election. ~~The first notice shall contain a~~ A facsimile of the official
14 ballot ~~shall be published at least four days prior to each election.~~ ~~Such~~ The notice and ballot shall
15 be published in the official newspaper or newspapers of the municipality as designated in



1 § 9-12-6.

2 If no newspaper is published in the municipality, ~~such~~ the notice shall also be ~~given by~~
3 ~~posting the same~~ posted in three of the most public places ~~therein~~ in the municipality.

4 Section 3. That § 13-7-8 be amended to read as follows:

5 13-7-8. The business manager of the school district shall publish in the official newspaper
6 notices of an election once each week for two consecutive weeks with the first publication not
7 less than ten days before the election. The notice shall state the date of the coming school
8 election, the vacancies to be filled with terms of each, the candidates who have filed for these
9 vacancies, questions, if any, to be submitted at the election, and the location of polling places.
10 A facsimile of the official ballot shall be published at least four days prior to each election.

11 Section 4. That § 13-7-10 be amended to read as follows:

12 13-7-10. The annual election for school districts shall be held between the second Tuesday
13 in April and the third Tuesday in June between the hours of ~~eight o'clock in the morning~~ seven
14 a.m. and ~~seven o'clock in the afternoon~~ p.m. of the day of the election. The school board shall
15 select the date of the election by resolution no later than the first regular meeting after January
16 first of each year. ~~The school board may also, by resolution, provide for the opening of the polls~~
17 ~~at seven o'clock.~~ Voter registration, absentee voting, and procedures used in counting ballots
18 shall be in accordance with Title 12 except as specifically provided in chapter 13-7.