

## 2021 South Dakota Legislature

## House Bill 1125 ENROLLED

An Act

ENTITLED An Act to define adjournment for the counting of ballots.

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

**Section 1.** That § 12-20-1 be AMENDED.

12-20-1. Delivery of supplies to counting board--Certificate of transmittal and receipt--Commencement of count--Continuation without adjournment--Comparison and correction of poll lists--Penalty.

As soon as the polls are closed, the precinct superintendent and precinct deputies shall audit the ballot count as prescribed in §§ 12-20-2 and 12-20-3. The precinct superintendent and precinct deputies shall then immediately deliver the ballot boxes, registration book, pollbook, and other election supplies, including voided and unused ballots, to the counting board, if appointed, and sign a certificate of transmittal and receipt as prescribed by the State Board of Elections. The members of the precinct election board or the counting board, if appointed, shall then immediately proceed to count publicly, in the presence of all persons desiring to attend the count, the votes received at the polls, and continue without leaving the site of the count until the count is completed. A person charged with implementing this section may not delay the counting of ballots other than to authorize short recesses for the health and wellbeing of those employed to implement this section. In counting the votes, the members of the precinct election board or counting board shall use the tally sheets provided.

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I certify that the attached Act originated in the: House as Bill No. 1125	Received at this Executive Office this, day of,  2021 atM.
Chief Clerk	By for the Governor
Speaker of the House Attest:	The attached Act is hereby approved this day of, A.D., 2021
Chief Clerk	Governor STATE OF SOUTH DAKOTA,
	SS. Office of the Secretary of State
President of the Senate Attest:	Filed, 2021 at o'clockM.
Secretary of the Senate	Secretary of State
House Bill No. 1125 File No Chapter No.	By Asst. Secretary of State