

State of South Dakota

NINETY-THIRD SESSION LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY, 2018

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SENATE BILL NO. _____

Introduced by: _____

1 FOR AN ACT ENTITLED, An Act to provide for the director of the Legislative Research
2 Council to complete certain written comments regarding ballot measures within a certain
3 period.

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

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

6 12-13-25. The sponsors of each initiative or initiated amendment to the Constitution shall
7 submit a copy of the initiative or initiated amendment to the Constitution to the director of the
8 Legislative Research Council for review and comment before it may be circulated for signatures.

9 The director shall review each submitted initiative or initiated amendment to the Constitution
10 to determine if the requirements of § 12-13-24 are satisfied and if the initiative or initiated
11 amendment to the Constitution may have any impact on revenues, expenditures, or fiscal
12 liability of the state or its agencies and subdivisions. ~~Within~~ Unless as provided under section

13 2 of this Act, not more than fifteen days ~~of following~~ receipt of an initiative or initiated
14 amendment to the Constitution, the director shall provide written comments on the initiative or
15 initiated amendment to the Constitution to the sponsors of the initiative or initiated amendment,
16 the attorney general, and the secretary of state for the purpose of assisting the sponsors in



1 complying with § 12-13-24. The sponsors may, but are not required to, amend the initiative or
2 initiated amendment to the Constitution to comply with the director's comments.

3 Section 2. That chapter 12-13 be amended by adding a NEW SECTION to read:

4 If the director of the Legislative Research Council receives any initiative or initiated
5 amendment to the Constitution between December 1 and the day of adjournment sine die of the
6 following legislative session, inclusive, the director shall provide written comments as required
7 pursuant to § 12-13-25 not more than fifteen days following adjournment sine die of the
8 legislative session.