

# 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 include certain assistance within certain written comments.

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

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

5 12-13-25. The sponsors of each initiative or initiated amendment to the Constitution shall  
6 submit a copy of the initiative or initiated amendment to the Constitution to the director of the  
7 Legislative Research Council for review and comment before it may be circulated for signatures.

8 The director shall review each submitted initiative or initiated amendment to the Constitution  
9 to determine if the requirements of § 12-13-24 are satisfied and if the initiative or initiated  
10 amendment to the Constitution may have any impact on revenues, expenditures, or fiscal

11 liability of the state or its agencies and subdivisions. Within fifteen days of receipt of an  
12 initiative or initiated amendment to the Constitution, the director shall provide written  
13 comments on the initiative or initiated amendment to the Constitution to the sponsors of the

14 initiative or initiated amendment, the attorney general, and the secretary of state for the purpose  
15 of assisting the sponsors in complying with § 12-13-24. The director's written comments under

16 this section shall include assistance regarding the substantive content of the initiated measure



1 or initiated amendment in order to minimize any conflict with existing law and to ensure the  
2 measure's or amendment's effective administration. The sponsors may, but are not required to,  
3 amend the initiative or initiated amendment to the Constitution to comply with the director's  
4 comments.