

# State of South Dakota

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LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY, 1998

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HOUSE LOCAL GOVERNMENT COMMITTEE

ENGROSSED NO. **HB1178** - 1/30/98

**This bill has been extensively amended (hoghoused) and may no longer be consistent with the original intention of the sponsors.**

Introduced by: Representatives Gleason, Brown (Jarvis), Cerny, Davis, Fischer-Clemens, Hagen, Jaspers, Konold, Lockner, Moore, Pederson (Gordon), Schaunaman, Sperry, Waltman, and Weber and Senators Symens, Dennert, Hutmacher, Kloucek, Lawler, Olson, and Reedy

1 FOR AN ACT ENTITLED, An Act to allow the use of absentee voting in certain township  
2 elections.

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

4 Section 1. That § 8-3-1.1 be amended to read as follows:

5 8-3-1.1. The board of supervisors of a township may, by ordinance, require a candidate for  
6 township office to file a nominating petition pursuant to § 8-3-1.2. If, however, a petition is filed  
7 by twelve freeholders of the township by January first requesting that nomination petitions be  
8 filed by all candidates for township office, then the board of supervisors shall, by ordinance,  
9 require nominating petitions to be filed pursuant to § 8-3-1.2.

10 Section 2. That chapter 8-3 be amended by adding thereto a NEW SECTION to read as  
11 follows:

12 If nominating petitions are required pursuant to § 8-3-1.1, then any voter qualified to vote  
13 in a township election may vote by absentee ballot as prescribed in chapter 12-19.

1 **BILL HISTORY**

2 1/21/98 First read in House and referred to Local Government. H.J. 146

3 1/29/98 Scheduled for Committee hearing on this date.

4 1/29/98 Local Government Do Pass Amended, Passed, AYES 7, NAYS 4. H.J. 310