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SENATE BILL NO. 7

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

1 FOR AN ACT ENTITLED, An Act to revise the dates for filing certain certificates of
2 nomination.

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

4 Section 1. That § 12-7-1 be amended to read as follows:

5 12-7-1. Any candidate for nonjudicial public office who is not nominated by a primary
6 election may be nominated by filing with the secretary of state or county auditor as prescribed
7 by § 12-6-4, not prior to January ~~first~~ twentieth at eight a.m. and not later than the ~~third~~ first
8 Tuesday in ~~June~~ August at five p.m. prior to the election, a certificate of nomination which shall
9 be executed as provided in chapter 12-6. If the certificate of nomination is mailed by registered
10 mail by the ~~third~~ first Tuesday in ~~June~~ August at five p.m. prior to the election, it is timely
11 submitted. The certificate shall specify that an independent candidate for nonjudicial public office
12 shall designate the name of any national political party, or political party organized pursuant to
13 chapter 12-5, with which the candidate has an affiliation. If no affiliation exists, the candidate
14 shall be designated by the term, no party. It shall be signed by registered voters within the district
15 or political subdivision in and for which the officers are to be elected. The number of signatures

1 required may not be less than one percent of the total combined vote cast for Governor at the
2 last certified gubernatorial election within the district or political subdivision. An independent
3 candidate for Governor shall certify the candidate's selection for lieutenant governor to the
4 secretary of state prior to circulation of the candidate's nominating petition. An independent
5 candidate for President shall file a declaration of candidacy and a certification of the candidate's
6 selection for vice president with the secretary of state prior to circulation of the candidate's
7 nominating petitions. The candidate and the candidate's selection for lieutenant governor or vice
8 president shall sign the certification before it is filed. The State Board of Elections shall
9 promulgate rules pursuant to chapter 1-26 prescribing the forms for the certificate of nomination
10 and the certification for lieutenant governor and vice president.