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SENATE LOCAL GOVERNMENT COMMITTEE

ENGROSSED NO. **SB 10** - 01/27/2003

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

1 FOR AN ACT ENTITLED, An Act to revise certain provisions concerning the publication of
2 facsimile ballot.

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

4 Section 1. That § 9-13-13 be amended to read as follows:

5 9-13-13. A notice of each municipal election shall be published once each week for two
6 successive weeks, the first publication may not be less than ten days prior to the election. A
7 facsimile of the official ballot shall be published ~~at least four days~~ in the calendar week prior to
8 each election. The notice and ballot shall be published in the official newspaper or newspapers
9 of the municipality as designated in § 9-12-6.

10 If no newspaper is published in the municipality, the notice shall also be posted in three of
11 the most public places in the municipality.

12 Section 2. That § 12-16-16 be amended to read as follows:

13 12-16-16. The county auditor shall publish in each official newspaper of the county,
14 facsimiles of the official ballots of ~~every~~ each election in which the voters of the entire county
15 participate. The facsimile shall be published once in each legal newspaper ~~at least four days~~ in



1 the calendar week prior to each election. The newspaper shall receive for the publications,
2 compensation at the same rate as the general display rate for the newspaper. The published
3 facsimile may be reduced in size proportionately up to fifty percent but in no case may the ballot
4 wording be in a type less than eight point. If a portion of a candidate ballot is not voted on in the
5 entire county, a facsimile of that portion of the ballot may be published simultaneously but
6 separate from the candidate ballot and shall contain a description of who will vote on that portion
7 of the ballot. If at least fifty percent of a ballot is blank, the blank portion does not need to be
8 printed. No political advertising may appear on the same page as the facsimile ballot.

9 Section 3. That § 13-7-8 be amended to read as follows:

10 13-7-8. The business manager of the school district shall publish in the official newspaper
11 notices of an election once each week for two consecutive weeks with the first publication not
12 less than ten days before the election. The notice shall state the date of the coming school
13 election, the vacancies to be filled with terms of each, the candidates who have filed for these
14 vacancies, questions, if any, to be submitted at the election, and the location of polling places.
15 A facsimile of the official ballot shall be published ~~at least four days~~ in the calendar week prior
16 to each election.