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HOUSE BILL NO. 1028

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

1 FOR AN ACT ENTITLED, An Act to require a certified copy of voter registration to be filed
2 for certain candidates for offices to be filled at the primary election.

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

4 Section 1. That § 12-6-4 be amended to read as follows:

5 12-6-4. Except as provided by § 12-5-4 and as may be otherwise provided in chapter 12-9,
6 no candidate for any office to be filled, or nomination to be made, at the primary election, other
7 than a presidential election, may have that person's name printed upon the official primary
8 election ballot of that person's party, unless a petition and a certified copy of the person's voter
9 registration as of the date of the earliest declaration of candidacy has been filed on that person's
10 behalf not prior to January first, and not later than the last Tuesday of March at five p.m. prior
11 to the date of the primary election. If the petition and voter registration certification is mailed
12 by registered mail by the last Tuesday of March at five p.m. prior to the primary election, the
13 petition and certification shall be considered filed. A nominating petition for national
14 convention delegates and alternates as provided in § 12-5-3.11 shall be filed in accordance with
15 the provisions of this section. Nominating petitions for all party and public offices except



1 legislative and judicial offices shall be filed in the office of the county auditor of the county in
2 which the person is a candidate. Nominating petitions for legislative and judicial office whether
3 elected in one or more counties, and all other party and public offices to be voted on in more
4 than one county shall be filed in the Office of the Secretary of State.