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2-7-1 Each odd-numbered year, the secretary of state shall compile and print a legislative manual. The Bureau of Administration shall distribute the legislative manual, free to state officials and agencies who request them and to the public at a price set by the commissioner of administration.

2-7-3 The legislative manual compiled and printed in each odd-numbered year shall contain the following data:

1. A current official directory of state government;
2. A current list of county officers;
3. A compilation of appropriations for state departments made at regular and special sessions during the two years immediately preceding;
4. A county by county list of election results for all statewide contests and ballot questions for the last general and last primary elections;
5. A brief biographical statement and picture of all current constitutional officers, legislators, public utility commissioners, supreme court justices, circuit court judges, and United States senators and members of congress;
6. A listing of all past statewide elected officials;
7. A brief South Dakota chronology;
8. A brief statement and pictures regarding the South Dakota institutions;
9. A brief statement and picture of the state seal and state emblems;
10. The Constitution of South Dakota;
11. Population of each county and each municipality;
12. Names of gubernatorial appointees to boards and commissions; and
Fellow South Dakotans:

Every two years, the Secretary of State’s office compiles the Legislative Manual, commonly known as the “blue book,” carrying on a tradition that dates back to statehood. I know many of us look forward to receiving the most recent copy to reference a particular moment or pick up a previous copy to thumb through the pages to remember familiar faces, friendly colleagues, and memorable events that created the state we have today.

South Dakota has a bold and vibrant past that spurs our imagination and guides contemporary leaders to a vivid realization of the future direction of our state. As we chronicle the current legislative history, there should not be any doubt our leaders are carving the future in the tradition that honors our state’s historical giants.

Within these pages you will find information on elected state officials, judges, legislators, local and state government administration, election statistics, and South Dakota history.

Sincerely,

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Secretary of State
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The Mount Rushmore State

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Setting the Historical Stage
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South Dakota lies in the very heartland of North America. A total of 77,047 square miles of diverse land area – approximately 370 miles long by 210 miles wide – constitutes the mid-continental commonwealth that is 16th among the 50 United States in size, 46th in population (2010 census: 814,180), and 39th or 40th (with its twin, North Dakota) in admission to the Union.

The dam-harnessed Missouri River – which has been known popularly through the years as the "Big Muddy" or the "Old Mizzou" – divides the state into two distinct sections, geographically and philosophically.

It has been called a "land of savage extremes," with temperatures ranging from 40 degrees below zero to 116 above, although these low and high points are relatively infrequent. It offsets its eerie Badlands – called "hell with the fires burned out" by George Armstrong Custer – with the richly productive black loam of the southeastern corner of the state. It has known blizzards, floods, dust storms and drought – but one day of a South Dakota springtime or its matchless Indian summer makes one forget immediately the rigors of a chilling winter or a scorching July.

It is an expansive country with soaring eagles and darting prairie dogs. Beneath the earth are the splendors of Jewel Cave and above it stand gnarled cottonwoods, old enough to have witnessed the total period of organized government in the region. In April and May each year, the lavender-hued pasque – the official state flower – bursts from untilled sod on pastures and hillsides to signal a new planting season on farmlands lying under open skies in the center of the nation.

While its food and fiber production affects all the states, it physically adjoins six neighbors – North Dakota, which separates it from Canada; Minnesota and Iowa on the east; Montana and Wyoming on the west; and Nebraska to the south. Before 1889, it was part of the vast Dakota Territory. Earlier it was an undefined portion of the Louisiana Purchase from France in 1803 – and before that the Spanish claimed the prairie expanse.

Boundaries are important, of course, because they establish specific political land units and make the application of laws possible, but it must be remembered, too, that a state also means the people living within the particular borders. In other words, the geographic features of South Dakota are like a skeleton; to give it life, the flesh and blood of the citizenry must be added.
Without people, there would have been no progress, no problems, no challenges, no achievement nor failures, no sorrow, nor joy – the stuff of which history is made.

The parade of people – beginning with the Asiatic ancestors of the American Indians – has both brightened and bloodied the land, but viewed in proper context, the abrasions created by successive waves of newcomers (red and white, included) are explainable and understandable – if not always defendable.

By knowing what lured or impelled various groups to migrate to the region, which ultimately became South Dakota, one can grasp more readily the substance of the collision of cultures rather than belaboring the surface sore spots. The story is exciting and dramatic, often lighthearted and occasionally tragic. It is, after all, a continuing saga of people of many different backgrounds and the challenges they faced on a specific portion of the earth's real estate.

Chronology

The State of South Dakota is a part of the vast domain, which was acquired by the United States through the celebrated Louisiana Purchase in 1803. President Thomas Jefferson purchased the territory, which includes the present states of Missouri, Kansas, Nebraska, Iowa, Minnesota, North and South Dakota, Montana, and Idaho, from France for fifteen million dollars and the assumption of certain claims held by citizens of the United States against France.

Although nine states eventually were organized out of the Louisiana Purchase, during their existence as territories, the boundaries of these divisions were subject to frequent and marked changes, with names appearing and disappearing.

As part of what was called the Louisiana Territory in 1812, the part of South Dakota lying west of the Missouri River became known as the "Mandan Territory" and the area lying east of the Missouri River became incorporated into the Missouri Territory. The eastern half of the state was included in the Michigan Territory in 1834, and two years later it became part of the Wisconsin Territory. In 1849, after the organization of Wisconsin as a state, the area east of the Missouri River was included in the Minnesota Territory. The portion of South Dakota west of the Missouri River was included in the Nebraska Territory in 1854.

The admission of Minnesota as a state in 1885 left all the country west of its boundaries along the Big Sioux River to the Missouri River without any organization, legal name, or existence. This part was, by common consent, designated by the name of Dakota, an Indian name that means "confederated" or "leagued together," and was originally derived from the great associated tribe of Indians, known in their own language as Dakotas.

In 1861, President James Buchanan signed the Organic Act, creating the Dakota Territory, including the present states of North and South Dakota, Montana, Wyoming, and a small part of Nebraska. By 1868, the Dakota Territory consisted of only what are North and South Dakota today. In 1889, the "Omnibus Bill" or the Enabling Act was adopted, which provided for the dividing of Dakota Territory into the states of North and South Dakota. This enabled the two Dakotas, Montana, and Washington to formulate constitutions.

Today, South Dakota is located in the heartland of the United States. It is a rectangular area approximately 370 miles by 210 miles. Its 77,047 square miles make it the 16th largest in size among the fifty states. South Dakota has a population of around 814,180.

(The introductory material to the chronology was substantially derived from the “Introductory,” Revised Code of South Dakota, 1903, and the “Dakota Historical Sketch,” South Dakota Manual, 1905.)

(The total population estimate is from the Annual Estimates of the Population for Counties of South Dakota, based on July 2010 U.S. Census Data estimates.)
Events of 2013

Senator Tim Johnson announced that he would not seek reelection. He served three terms in the U.S. Senate from 1997 to 2014, five terms in the U.S. Congress from 1987 to 1996, 2 terms in the South Dakota State Senate from 1983 to 1986, and two terms in the State House of Representatives from 1979 to 1982. Senator Johnson won all 12 elections in which his name was on the ballot and retired as Chairman of the Banking Committee in the U.S. Senate.

The Atlas Blizzard of October 2013 killed over 50,000 head of livestock, including cattle, horses, buffalo, and sheep in western South Dakota. The storm had high winds, record snow, and incredibly cold temperatures.

Ice Storm Walda left over 100,000 South Dakotans in the southeast part of the state without power in early April and cost millions of dollars for the State and City of Sioux Falls.

In an overwhelming bipartisan effort, the Governor and Legislature passed major criminal justice reforms. By avoiding the need for more prison facilities, the estimated savings for the state will be around $162 million over the next 10 years.

Events of 2014

South Dakotans celebrated the 125th anniversary of statehood.

Governor Dennis Daugaard was reelected by the widest margin in state history, winning by 45.1%.

Former Governor Mike Rounds was elected to the U.S. Senate, becoming the first former governor of South Dakota to be elected to the U.S. Senate since Harlan J. Bushfield in 1942.

2014 marked the first time in 50 years that one political party controlled all statewide elected offices at the federal and statewide level in South Dakota.
The Constitution of the State of South Dakota

Preamble

We, the people of South Dakota, grateful to Almighty God for our civil and religious liberties, in order to form a more perfect and independent government, establish justice, insure tranquility, provide for the common defense, promote the general welfare and preserve to ourselves and to our posterity the blessings of liberty, do ordain and establish this Constitution for the state of South Dakota.

Article I

Name and Boundary

§1. Name of state.
The name of the state shall be South Dakota.

§2. Boundaries of state.
The boundaries of the state of South Dakota shall be as follows: Beginning at the point of intersection of the western boundary line of the state of Minnesota, with the northern boundary line of the state of Iowa and running thence northerly along the western boundary line of the state of Minnesota, to its intersection with the seventh standard parallel; thence west on the line of the seventh standard parallel produced due west to its intersection with the twenty-seventh meridian of longitude west from Washington; thence south on the twenty-seventh meridian of longitude west from Washington to its intersection with the northern boundary line of the state of Nebraska; thence easterly along the northern boundary line of the state of Nebraska to its intersection with the western boundary line of the state of Iowa; thence northerly along the western boundary line of the state of Iowa to its intersection with the northern boundary line of the state of Iowa; thence east along the northern boundary line of the state of Iowa to the place of beginning.

Article II

Division of the Powers of Government

The powers of the government of the state are divided into three distinct departments, the legislative, executive and judicial; and the powers and duties of each are prescribed by this Constitution.
Article III
Legislative Department

§1. Legislative power -- Initiative and referendum.

The legislative power of the state shall be vested in a Legislature which shall consist of a Senate and House of Representatives. However, the people expressly reserve to themselves the right to propose measures, which shall be submitted to a vote of the electors of the state, and also the right to require that any laws which the Legislature may have enacted shall be submitted to a vote of the electors of the state before going into effect, except such laws as may be necessary for the immediate preservation of the public peace, health or safety, support of the state government and its existing public institutions. Not more than five per cent of the qualified electors of the state shall be required to invoke either the initiative or the referendum.

This section shall not be construed so as to deprive the Legislature or any member thereof of the right to propose any measure. The veto power of the Executive shall not be exercised as to measures referred to a vote of the people. This section shall apply to municipalities. The enacting clause of all laws approved by vote of the electors of the state shall be: "Be it enacted by the people of South Dakota." The Legislature shall make suitable provisions for carrying into effect the provisions of this section.

§2. Number of legislators -- Regular sessions.

After the Legislature elected for the years 1937 and 1938 the number of members of the House of Representatives shall not be less than fifty nor more than seventy-five and the number of members of the senate shall not be less than twenty-five nor more than thirty-five.

The sessions of the Legislature shall be biennial except as otherwise provided in this Constitution.

§3. Qualifications for legislative office -- Officers ineligible.

No person is eligible for the office of senator who is not a qualified elector in the district from which such person is chosen, a citizen of the United States, and who has not attained the age of twenty-one years, and who has not been a resident of the state for two years next preceding election.

No person is eligible for the office of representative who is not a qualified elector in the district from which such person is chosen, and a citizen of the United States, and who has not been a resident of the state for two years next preceding election, and who has not attained the age of twenty-one years.

No judge or clerk of any court, secretary of state, attorney general, state's attorney, recorder, sheriff or collector of public moneys, member of either house of Congress, or person holding any lucrative office under the United States, or this state, or any foreign government, shall be a member of the Legislature: provided, that appointments in the militia, the offices of notary public and justice of the peace shall not be considered lucrative; nor shall any person holding any office of honor or profit under any foreign government or under the government of the United States, except postmasters whose
annual compensation does not exceed the sum of three hundred dollars, hold any office in either branch of the Legislature or become a member thereof.

No person who has been, or hereafter shall be, convicted of bribery, perjury, or other infamous crime, nor any person who has been, or may be collector or holder of public moneys, who shall not have accounted for and paid over, according to law, all such moneys due from him, shall be eligible to the Legislature or to any office in either branch thereof.

§5. Legislative reapportionment.
The Legislature shall apportion its membership by dividing the state into as many single-member, legislative districts as there are state senators. House districts shall be established wholly within senatorial districts and shall be either single-member or dual-member districts as the Legislature shall determine. Legislative districts shall consist of compact, contiguous territory and shall have population as nearly equal as is practicable, based on the last preceding federal census. An apportionment shall be made by the Legislature in 1983 and in 1991, and every ten years after 1991. Such apportionment shall be accomplished by December first of the year in which the apportionment is required. If any Legislature whose duty it is to make an apportionment shall fail to make the same as herein provided, it shall be the duty of the Supreme Court within ninety days to make such apportionment.

§6. Legislative terms of office -- Compensation -- Regular sessions.
The terms of office of the members of the Legislature shall be two years; they shall receive for their services the salary fixed by law under the provisions of § 2 of article XXI of this Constitution, and five cents for every mile of necessary travel in going to and returning from the place of meeting of the Legislature on the most usual route.

No person may serve more than four consecutive terms or a total of eight consecutive years in the senate and more than four consecutive terms or a total of eight consecutive years in the House of Representatives. However, this restriction does not apply to partial terms to which a legislator may be appointed.

A regular session of the Legislature shall be held each year and shall not exceed forty legislative days; excluding Sundays, holidays and legislative recess, except in cases of impeachment, and members of the Legislature shall receive no other pay or perquisites except salary and mileage.

§7. Convening of annual sessions.
The Legislature shall meet at the seat of government on the second Tuesday of January at 12 o’clock p.m. and at no other time except as provided by this Constitution.

§8. Oath required of legislators and officers -- Forfeiture of office for false swearing.
Members of the Legislature and officers thereof, before they enter upon their official duties, shall take and subscribe the following oath or affirmation: I do solemnly swear (or affirm) that I will support the Constitution of the United States and the Constitution of the
state of South Dakota, and will faithfully discharge the duties of (senator, representative or officer) according to the best of my abilities, and that I have not knowingly or intentionally paid or contributed anything, or made any promise in the nature of a bribe, to directly or indirectly influence any vote at the election at which I was chosen to fill said office, and have not accepted, nor will I accept or receive directly or indirectly, any money, pass, or any other valuable thing, from any corporation, company or person, for any vote or influence I may give or withhold on any bill or resolution, or appropriation, or for any other official act.

This oath shall be administered by a judge of the Supreme or Circuit Court, or the presiding officer of either house, in the hall of the house to which the member or officer is elected, and the secretary of state shall record and file the oath subscribed by each member and officer.

Any member or officer of the Legislature who shall refuse to take the oath herein prescribed shall forfeit his office.

Any member or officer of the Legislature who shall be convicted of having sworn falsely to, or violated his said oath, shall forfeit his office and be disqualified thereafter from holding the office of senator or member of the house of representatives or any office within the gift of the Legislature.


Each house shall be the judge of the election returns and qualifications of its own members.

A majority of the members of each house shall constitute a quorum, but a smaller number may adjourn from day-to-day, and may compel the attendance of absent members in such a manner and under such penalty as each house may provide.

Each house shall determine the rules of its proceedings, shall choose its own officers and employees and fix the pay thereof, except as otherwise provided in this Constitution.

§10. Filling legislative vacancies.

The Governor shall make appointments to fill such vacancies as may occur in either house of the Legislature.

§11. Legislators’ privilege from arrest -- Freedom of debate.

Senators and representatives shall, in all cases except treason, felony or breach of the peace, be privileged from arrest during the session of the Legislature, and in going to and returning from the same; and for words used in any speech or debate in either house; they shall not be questioned in any other place.

§12. Legislators ineligible for other office -- Contracts with state or county.

No member of the Legislature shall, during the term for which he was elected, be appointed or elected to any civil office in the state which shall have been created, or the emoluments of which shall have been increased during the term for which he was elected, nor shall any member receive any civil appointment from the Governor, the Governor
and senate, or from the Legislature during the term for which he shall have been elected, and all such appointments and all votes given for any such members for any such office or appointment shall be void; nor shall any member of the Legislature during the term for which he shall have been elected, or within one year thereafter, be interested, directly or indirectly, in any contract with the state or any county thereof, authorized by any law passed during the term for which he shall have been elected.

§13. Legislative journals -- Recording of yeas and nays.
Each house shall keep a journal of its proceedings and publish the same from time to time, except such parts as require secrecy, and the yeas and nays of members on any question shall be taken at the desire of one-sixth of those present and entered upon the journal.

In all elections to be made by the Legislature the members thereof shall vote viva voce and their votes shall be entered in the journal.

§15. Open legislative session’s -- Exception.
The sessions of each house and of the committee of the whole shall be open, unless when the business is such as ought to be kept secret.

§16. Adjournment of legislative houses.
Neither house shall without the consent of the other adjourn for more than three days, nor to any other place than that in which the two houses shall be sitting.

§17. Reading of bills.
Every bill shall be read twice, by number and title once when introduced, and once upon final passage, but one reading at length may be demanded at any time before final passage.

§18. Enacting clause -- Assent by majority -- Recording of votes.
The enacting clause of a law shall be: "Be it enacted by the Legislature of the State of South Dakota" and no law shall be passed unless by assent of a majority of all the members elected to each house of the Legislature. And the question upon the final passage shall be taken upon its last reading, and the yeas and nays shall be entered upon the journal.

§19. Signing of bills and resolutions.
The presiding officer of each house shall, in the presence of the house over which he presides, sign all bills and joint resolutions passed by the Legislature, after their titles have been publicly read immediately before signing, and the fact of signing shall be entered upon the journal.

§20. Origin of bills -- Amendment in other house.
Any bill may originate in either house of the Legislature, and a bill passed by one house may be amended in the other.
§21. **One subject expressed in title.**
No law shall embrace more than one subject, which shall be expressed in its title.

§22. **Effective date of acts -- Emergency clause.**
No act shall take effect until ninety days after the adjournment of the session at which it passed, unless in case of emergency, (to be expressed in the preamble or body of the act) the Legislature shall by a vote of two-thirds of all the members elected of each house, otherwise direct.

§23. **Private and special laws prohibited.**
The Legislature is prohibited from enacting any private or special laws in the following cases:

1. Granting divorces.
2. Changing the names of persons or places, or constituting one person the heir at law of another.
3. Locating or changing county seats.
4. Regulating county and township affairs.
5. Incorporating cities, towns and villages or changing or amending the charter of any town, city or village, or laying out, opening, vacating or altering town plats, streets, wards, alleys and public ground.
6. Providing for sale or mortgage of real estate belonging to minors or others under disability.
7. Authorizing persons to keep ferries across streams wholly within the state.
8. Remitting fines, penalties or forfeitures.
9. Granting to an individual, association or corporation any special or exclusive privilege, immunity or franchise whatever.
10. Providing for the management of common schools.
11. Creating, increasing or decreasing fees, percentages or allowances of public officers during the term for which said officers are elected or appointed.

But the Legislature may repeal any existing special law relating to the foregoing subdivisions.

In all other cases where a general law can be applicable no special law shall be enacted.

§24. **Release of debt to state or municipality.**
The Legislature shall have no power to release or extinguish, in whole or in part, the indebtedness, liability or obligation of any corporation or individual to this state or to any municipal corporation therein.

§25. **Games of chance prohibited -- Exceptions.**
The Legislature shall not authorize any game of chance, lottery, or gift enterprise, under any pretense, or for any purpose whatever provided, however, it shall be lawful for the Legislature to authorize by law, bona fide veterans, charitable, educational, religious or fraternal organizations, civic and service clubs, volunteer fire departments, or such other public spirited organizations as it may recognize, to conduct games of chance when the entire net proceeds of such games of chance are to be devoted to educational, charitable, patriotic, religious, or other public spirited uses. However, it shall be lawful for the
Legislature to authorize by law a state lottery or video games of chance, or both, which are regulated by the state of South Dakota, either separately by the state or jointly with one or more states, and which are owned and operated by the state of South Dakota, either separately by the state or jointly with one or more states or persons, provided any such video games of chance shall not directly dispense coins or tokens. However, the Legislature shall not expand the statutory authority existing as of June 1, 1994, regarding any private ownership of state lottery games or video games of chance, or both. The Legislature shall establish the portion of proceeds due the state from such lottery or video games of chance, or both, and the purposes for which those proceeds are to be used.

SDCL 42-7A, and its amendments, regulations, and related laws, and all acts and contracts relying for authority upon such laws and regulations, beginning July 1, 1987, to the effective date of this amendment, are ratified and approved. Further, it shall be lawful for the Legislature to authorize by law, limited card games and slot machines within the city limits of Deadwood, provided that 60% of the voters of the City of Deadwood approve legislatively authorized card games and slot machines at an election called for such purpose. The entire net Municipal proceeds of such card games and slot machines shall be devoted to the Historic Restoration and Preservation of Deadwood.

§26. Municipal powers denied to private organizations.
The Legislature shall not delegate to any special commission, private corporation or association, any power to make, supervise or interfere with any municipal improvement, money, property, effects, whether held in trust or otherwise, or levy taxes, or to select a capital site, or to perform any municipal functions whatever.

§27. Suits against the state.
The Legislature shall direct by law in what manner and in what courts suits may be brought against the state.

§28. Bribery and corrupt solicitation of officers -- Compelling testimony -- Immunity from prosecution.
Any person who shall give, demand, offer, directly or indirectly, any money, testimonial, privilege or personal advantage, thing of value to any executive or judicial officer or member of the Legislature, to influence him in the performance of any of his official or public duties, shall be guilty of bribery and shall be punished in such manner as shall be provided by law.

The offense of corrupt solicitation of members of the Legislature, or of public officers of the state, or any municipal division thereof, and any effort towards solicitation of said members of the Legislature, or officers to influence their official actions shall be defined by law, and shall be punishable by fine and imprisonment.

Any person may be compelled to testify in investigation or judicial proceedings against any person charged with having committed any offense of bribery or corrupt solicitation, and shall not be permitted to withhold his testimony upon the ground that it may criminate himself, but said testimony shall not afterwards be used against him in any judicial proceeding except for bribery in giving such testimony, and any person convicted of either of the offenses aforesaid shall be disqualified from holding any office or position or office of trust or profit in this state.
§29. Legislative powers in emergency from enemy attack.
Notwithstanding any general or special provisions of the Constitution, in order to insure continuity of state and local governmental operations in periods of emergency resulting from disasters caused by enemy attack, the Legislature shall have the power and the immediate duty (1) to provide for prompt and temporary succession to the powers and duties of public offices, of whatever nature and whether filled by election or appointment, the incumbents of which may become unavailable for carrying on the powers and duties of such offices, and (2) to adopt such other measures as may be necessary and proper for insuring the continuity of governmental operations. In the exercise of the powers hereby conferred the Legislature shall in all respects conform to the requirements of this Constitution except to the extent that in the judgment of the Legislature so to do would be impracticable or would admit of undue delay.

§30. Power of committee of Legislature to suspend administrative rules and regulations.
The Legislature may by law empower a committee comprised of members of both houses of the Legislature, acting during recesses or between sessions, to suspend rules and regulations promulgated by any administrative department or agency from going into effect until July 1 after the Legislature reconvenes.

§31. Convening of special sessions upon petition.
In addition to the provisions of Article IV, Section 3, the Legislature shall be convened in special session by the presiding officers of both houses upon the written petition of two-thirds of the members of each house. The petition shall state the purposes of the session, and only business encompassed by those purposes may be transacted.

§32. Term limitations for United States Congressmen.
Commencing with the 1992 election, no person may be elected to more than two consecutive terms in the United States senate or more than six consecutive terms in the United States House of Representatives.

Article IV
Executive Department

§1. Executive power.
The executive power of the state is vested in the Governor.

§2. Qualification, election and term.
The Governor and lieutenant governor must be citizens of the United States, have attained the age of twenty-one years, and be residents of the State of South Dakota for two years preceding their election. They shall be jointly elected for a term of four years at a general election held in a nonpresidential election year. The candidates having the highest number of votes cast jointly for them shall be elected. Commencing with the
1974 general election, no person shall be elected to more than two consecutive terms as Governor or as lieutenant governor. The election procedure shall be as prescribed by law.

§3. Powers and duties of the Governor.

The Governor shall be responsible for the faithful execution of the law. He may, by appropriate action or proceeding brought in the name of the state, enforce compliance with any constitutional or legislative mandate, or restrain violation of any constitutional or legislative power, duty or right by any officer, department or agency of the state or any of its civil divisions. This authority shall not authorize any action or proceedings against the Legislature.

He shall be commander-in-chief of the armed forces of the state, except when they shall be called into the service of the United States, and may call them out to execute the laws, to preserve order, to suppress insurrection or to repel invasion.

The Governor shall commission all officers of the state. He may at any time require information, in writing or otherwise, from the officers of any administrative department, office or agency upon any subject relating to the respective offices.

The Governor shall at the beginning of each session, and may at other times, give the Legislature information concerning the affairs of the state and recommend the measures he considers necessary.

The Governor may convene the Legislature or either house thereof alone in special session by a proclamation stating the purposes of the session, and only business encompassed by such purposes shall be transacted.

Whenever a vacancy occurs in any office and no provision is made by the Constitution or laws for filling such vacancy, the Governor shall have the power to fill such vacancy by appointment.

The Governor may, except as to convictions on impeachment, grant pardons, commutations, and reprieves, and may suspend and remit fines and forfeitures.

§4. Veto power.

Whenever the Legislature is in session, any bill presented to the Governor for signature shall become law when the Governor signs the bill or fails to veto the bill within five days, not including Saturdays, Sundays, or holidays, of presentation. A vetoed bill shall be returned by the Governor to the Legislature together with the Governor's objections within five days, not including Saturdays, Sundays, or holidays, of presentation if the Legislature is in session or upon the reconvening of the Legislature from a recess. Any vetoed bill shall be reconsidered by the Legislature and, if two-thirds of all members of each house shall pass the bill, it shall become law.

Whenever a bill has been presented to the Governor and the Legislature has adjourned sine die or recessed for more than five days within five days from presentation, the bill shall become law when the Governor signs the bill or fails to veto it within fifteen days after such adjournment or start of the recess.

The Governor may strike any items of any bill passed by the Legislature making appropriations. The procedure for reconsidering items struck by the Governor shall be the
same as is prescribed for the passage of bills over the executive veto. All items not struck shall become law as provided herein.

Bills with errors in style or form may be returned to the Legislature by the Governor with specific recommendations for change. Bills returned shall be treated in the same manner as vetoed bills except that specific recommendations for change as to style or form may be approved by a majority vote of all the members of each house. If the Governor certifies that the bill conforms to the Governor's specific recommendations, the bill shall become law. If the Governor fails to certify the bill, it shall be returned to the Legislature as a vetoed bill.

§5. Powers and duties of lieutenant governor.

The lieutenant governor shall be president of the senate but shall have no vote unless the senators are equally divided. The lieutenant governor shall perform the duties and exercise the powers that may be delegated to him by the Governor.

§6. Succession of executive power.

When the office of Governor shall become vacant through death, resignation, failure to qualify, conviction after impeachment or permanent disability of the Governor, the lieutenant governor shall succeed to the office and powers of the Governor. When the Governor is unable to serve by reason of continuous absence from the state, or other temporary disability, the executive power shall devolve upon the lieutenant governor for the residue of the term or until the disability is removed.

Whenever there is a permanent vacancy in the office of the lieutenant governor, the Governor shall nominate a lieutenant governor who shall take office upon confirmation by a majority vote of all the members of each house of the Legislature.

Whenever there is a concurrent vacancy in the office of Governor and lieutenant governor, the order of succession for the office of Governor shall be as provided by law.

The Supreme Court shall have original and exclusive jurisdiction to determine when a continuous absence from the state or disability has occurred in the office of the Governor or a permanent vacancy exists in the office of lieutenant governor.

§7. Other executive officers -- Powers, duties, and term limitations.

There shall be chosen by the qualified electors of the state at the general election of the Governor and every four years thereafter the following constitutional officers: attorney general, secretary of state, auditor, treasurer, and commissioner of school and public lands, who shall severally hold their offices for a term of four years. Commencing with the 1992 general election, no person may be elected to more than two consecutive terms as attorney general, secretary of state, auditor, treasurer, or commissioner of school and public lands.

§8. Reorganization.

All executive and administrative offices, boards, agencies, commissions and instrumentalities of the state government and their respective functions, powers and duties, except for the office of Governor, lieutenant governor, attorney general, secretary of state, auditor, treasurer, and commissioner of school and public lands, shall be
allocated by law among and within not more than twenty-five principal departments, organized as far as practicable according to major purposes, by no later than July 1, 1974. Subsequently, all new powers or functions shall be assigned to administrative offices, agencies and instrumentalities in such manner as will tend to provide an orderly arrangement in the administrative organization of state government. Temporary commissions may be established by law and need not be allocated within a principal department.

Except as to elected constitutional officers, the Governor may make such changes in the organization of offices, boards, commissions, agencies and instrumentalities, and in allocation of their functions, powers and duties, as he considers necessary for efficient administration. If such changes affect existing law, they shall be set forth in executive orders, which shall be submitted to the Legislature within five legislative days after it convenes, and shall have the force of law, within ninety days after submission, unless disapproved by a resolution concurred in by a majority of all the members of either house.

§9. Appointment and removal power.

Each principal department shall be under the supervision of the Governor and, unless otherwise provided in this Constitution or by law, shall be headed by a single executive. Such single executive, unless provided otherwise by the Constitution, shall be nominated and, by and with the advice and consent of the senate, appointed by the Governor and shall hold office for a term to expire at the end of the term for which the Governor was elected, unless sooner removed by the Governor.

Except as otherwise provided in this Constitution, whenever a board, commission or other body shall head a principal department of the state government, the members thereof shall be nominated and, by and with the advice and consent of the senate, appointed by the Governor. The term of office and removal of such members shall be as prescribed by law.

The Governor shall have power to nominate and make interim appointments requiring senate confirmation during recess of the Legislature except that such nominations and interim appointments shall extend only to the end of the Governor's term or until acted upon by the Legislature.

§10 to §13. Superseded.

Article V
Judicial Department

§1. Judicial powers.

The judicial power of the state is vested in a unified judicial system consisting of a Supreme Court, circuit courts of general jurisdiction and courts of limited original jurisdiction as established by the Legislature.
§2. Supreme Court.
The Supreme Court is the highest court of the state. It consists of a chief justice and four associate justices. Upon request by the Supreme Court the Legislature may increase the number of justices to seven. All justices shall be selected from compact districts established by the Legislature, and each district shall have one justice.

§3. Circuit courts.
The circuit courts consist of such number of circuits and judges as the Supreme Court determines by rule.

Courts of limited jurisdiction consist of all courts created by the Legislature having limited original jurisdiction.

§5. Jurisdiction of courts.
The Supreme Court shall have such appellate jurisdiction as may be provided by the Legislature and the Supreme Court or any justice thereof may issue any original or remedial writ which shall then be heard and determined by that court. The Governor has authority to require opinions of the Supreme Court upon important questions of law involved in the exercise of his executive power and upon solemn occasions.

The circuit courts have original jurisdiction in all cases except as to any limited original jurisdiction granted to other courts by the Legislature. The circuit courts and judges thereof have the power to issue, hear and determine all original and remedial writs. The circuit courts have such appellate jurisdiction as may be provided by law.

Imposition or execution of a sentence may be suspended by the court empowered to impose the sentence unless otherwise provided by law.

§6. Qualifications of judicial personnel.
Justices of the Supreme Court, judges of the circuit courts and persons presiding over courts of limited jurisdiction must be citizens of the United States, residents of the state of South Dakota and voting residents within the district, circuit or jurisdiction from which they are elected or appointed. No Supreme Court justice shall be deemed to have lost his voting residence in a district by reason of his removal to the seat of government in the discharge of his official duties. Justices of the Supreme Court and judges of circuit courts must be licensed to practice law in the state of South Dakota.

Circuit court judges shall be elected in a nonpolitical election by the electorate of the circuit each represents for an eight-year term.

A vacancy, as defined by law, in the office of a Supreme Court justice or circuit court judge, shall be filled by appointment of the Governor from one of two or more persons nominated by the judicial qualifications commission. The appointment to fill a vacancy of a circuit court judge shall be for the balance of the unexpired term; and the
appointment to fill a vacancy of a Supreme Court justice shall be subject to approval or rejection as hereinafter set forth.

Retention of each Supreme Court justice shall, in the manner provided by law, be subject to approval or rejection on a nonpolitical ballot at the first general election following the expiration of three years from the date of his appointment. Thereafter, each Supreme Court justice shall be subject to approval or rejection in like manner every eighth year. All incumbent Supreme Court justices at the time of the effective date of this amendment shall be subject to a retention election in the general election in the year in which their respective existing terms expire.

§8. Selection of the Chief Justice.
The chief justice shall be selected from among the justices of the Supreme Court for a term and in a manner to be provided by law. The chief justice may resign his office without resigning from the Supreme Court.

§9. Qualifications commission.
The Legislature shall provide by law for the establishment of a judicial qualifications commission which have such powers as the Legislature may provide, including the power to investigate complaints against any justice or judge and to conduct confidential hearings concerning the removal or involuntary retirement of a justice or judge. The Supreme Court shall prescribe by rule the means to implement and enforce the powers of the commission. On recommendation of the judicial qualifications commission the Supreme Court, after hearing, may censure, remove or retire a justice or judge for action which constitutes willful misconduct in office, willful and persistent failure to perform his duties, habitual intemperance, disability that seriously interferes with the performance of the duties or conduct prejudicial to the administration of justice which brings a judicial office into disrepute. No justice or judge shall sit in judgment in any hearing involving his own removal or retirement.

§10. Restrictions.
During his term of office no Supreme Court justice or circuit court judge shall engage in the practice of law. Any Supreme Court justice or circuit court judge who becomes a candidate for an elective non-judicial office shall thereby forfeit his judicial office.

§11. Administration.
The chief justice is the administrative head of the unified judicial system. The chief justice shall submit an annual consolidated budget for the entire unified judicial system, and the total cost of the system shall be paid by the state. The Legislature may provide by law for the reimbursement to the state of appropriate portions of such cost by governmental subdivisions. The Supreme Court shall appoint such court personnel as it deems necessary to serve at its pleasure.

The chief justice shall appoint a presiding circuit judge for each judicial circuit to serve at the pleasure of the chief justice. Each presiding circuit judge shall have such administrative power as the Supreme Court designates by rule and may, unless it be otherwise provided by law, appoint judicial personnel to courts of limited jurisdiction to serve at his pleasure. Each presiding circuit judge shall appoint clerks and other court
personnel for the counties in his circuit who shall serve at his pleasure at a compensation fixed by law. Duties of clerks shall be defined by Supreme Court rule.

The chief justice shall have power to assign any circuit judge to sit on another circuit court, or on the Supreme Court in case of a vacancy or in place of a justice who is disqualified or unable to act. The chief justice may authorize a justice to sit as a judge in any circuit court.

The chief justice may authorize retired justices and judges to perform any judicial duties to the extent provided by law and as directed by the Supreme Court.

§12. Rule-making power.

The Supreme Court shall have general superintending powers over all courts and may make rules of practice and procedure and rules governing the administration of all courts. The Supreme Court by rule shall govern terms of courts, admission to the bar, and discipline of members of the bar. These rules may be changed by the Legislature.

§13. Transition.

The Legislature by law and the Supreme Court by rule shall provide for the orderly transition of the judicial system in conformity with this article.

§14 to §39. Superseded.

Article VI
Bill of Rights

§1. Inherent rights.

All men are born equally free and independent, and have certain inherent rights, among which are those of enjoying and defending life and liberty, of acquiring and protecting property and the pursuit of happiness. To secure these rights governments are instituted among men, deriving their just powers from the consent of the governed.

§2. Due process -- Right to work.

No person shall be deprived of life, liberty or property without due process of law. The right of persons to work shall not be denied or abridged on account of membership or non-membership in any labor union, or labor organization.

§3. Freedom of religion -- Support of religion prohibited.

The right to worship God according to the dictates of conscience shall never be infringed. No person shall be denied any civil or political right, privilege or position on account of his religious opinions; but the liberty of conscience hereby secured shall not be so construed as to excuse licentiousness, the invasion of the rights of others, or justify practices inconsistent with the peace or safety of the state.

No person shall be compelled to attend or support any ministry or place of worship against his consent nor shall any preference be given by law to any religious
establishment or mode of worship. No money or property of the state shall be given or appropriated for the benefit of any sectarian or religious society or institution.

§4. Right of petition and peaceable assembly.
The right of petition, and of the people peaceably to assemble to consult for the common good and make known their opinions, shall never be abridged.

§5. Freedom of speech -- Truth as defense -- Jury trial.
Every person may freely speak, write and publish on all subjects, being responsible for the abuse of that right. In all trials for libel, both civil and criminal, the truth, when published with good motives and for justifiable ends, shall be a sufficient defense. The jury shall have the right to determine the fact and the law under the direction of the court.

§6. Jury trial -- Reduced jury -- Three-fourths vote.
The right of trial by jury shall remain inviolate and shall extend to all cases at law without regard to the amount in controversy, but the Legislature may provide for a jury of less than twelve in any court not a court of record and for the decision of civil cases by three-fourths of the jury in any court.

§7. Rights of accused.
In all criminal prosecutions the accused shall have the right to defend in person and by counsel; to demand the nature and cause of the accusation against him; to have a copy thereof; to meet the witnesses against him face to face; to have compulsory process served for obtaining witnesses in his behalf, and to a speedy public trial by an impartial jury of the county or district in which the offense is alleged to have been committed.

§8. Right to bail -- Habeas corpus.
All persons shall be bailable by sufficient sureties, except for capital offenses when proof is evident or presumption great. The privilege of the writ of habeas corpus shall not be suspended unless, when in case of rebellion or invasion, the public safety may require it.

No person shall be compelled in any criminal case to give evidence against oneself or be twice put in jeopardy for the same offense.

§10. Indictment or information -- Modification or abolishment of grand jury.
No person shall be held for a criminal offense unless on the presentment or indictment of a grand jury, or information of the public prosecutor, except in cases of impeachment, in cases cognizable by county courts, by justices of the peace, and in cases arising in the army and navy, or in the militia when in actual service in time of war or public danger: provided, that the grand jury may be modified or abolished by law.

§11. Search and seizure.
The right of the people to be secure in their persons, houses, papers and effects, against unreasonable searches and seizures shall not be violated, and no warrant shall issue but
upon probable cause supported by affidavit, particularly describing the place to be searched and the person or thing to be seized.

§12. Ex post facto laws -- Impairment of contract obligations -- Privilege or immunity.
No ex post facto law, or law impairing the obligation of contracts or making any irrevocable grant of privilege, franchise or immunity, shall be passed.

§13. Private property not taken without just compensation -- Benefit to owner -- Fee in highways.
Private property shall not be taken for public use, or damaged, without just compensation, which will be determined according to legal procedure established by the Legislature and according to § 6 of this article. No benefit which may accrue to the owner as the result of an improvement made by any private corporation shall be considered in fixing the compensation for property taken or damaged. The fee of land taken for railroad tracks or other highways shall remain in such owners, subject to the use for which it is taken.

§14. Resident aliens' property rights.
No distinction shall ever be made by law between resident aliens and citizens, in reference to the possession, enjoyment or descent of property.

§15. Imprisonment for debt.
No person shall be imprisoned for debt arising out of or founded upon a contract.

§16. Military subordinate to civil power -- Quartering of soldiers.
The military shall be in strict subordination to the civil power. No soldier in time of peace shall be quartered in any house without consent of the owner, nor in time of war except in the manner prescribed by law.

§17. Taxation without consent -- Uniformity.
No tax or duty shall be imposed without the consent of the people or their representatives in the Legislature, and all taxation shall be equal and uniform.

§18. Equal privileges or immunities.
No law shall be passed granting to any citizen, class of citizens or corporation, privileges or immunities which upon the same terms shall not equally belong to all citizens or corporations.

Elections shall be free and equal, and no power, civil or military, shall at any time interfere to prevent the free exercise of the right of suffrage. Soldiers in time of war may vote at their post of duty in or out of the state, under regulations to be prescribed by the Legislature.
All courts shall be open, and every man for an injury done him in his property, person or reputation, shall have remedy by due course of law, and right and justice, administered without denial or delay.

§21. Suspension of laws prohibited.
No power of suspending laws shall be exercised, unless by the Legislature or its authority.

§22. Attainder by Legislature prohibited.
No person shall be attainted of treason or felony by the Legislature.

§23. Excessive bail or fines -- Cruel punishments.
Excessive bail shall not be required, excessive fines imposed, nor cruel punishments inflicted.

§24. Right to bear arms.
The right of the citizens to bear arms in defense of themselves and the state shall not be denied.

§25. Treason.
Treason against the state shall consist only in levying war against it, or in adhering to its enemies or in giving them aid and comfort. No person shall be convicted of treason unless on the testimony of two witnesses to the same overt act or confession in open court.

§26. Power inherent in people -- Alteration in form of government -- Inseparable part of Union.
All political power is inherent in the people, and all free government is founded on their authority, and is instituted for their equal protection and benefit, and they have the right in lawful and constituted methods to alter or reform their forms of government in such manner as they may think proper. And the state of South Dakota is an inseparable part of the American Union and the Constitution of the United States is the supreme law of the land.

§27. Maintenance of free government -- Fundamental principles.
The blessings of a free government can only be maintained by a firm adherence to justice, moderation, temperance, frugality and virtue and by frequent recurrence to fundamental principles.

§28. Right to vote by secret ballot.
The rights of individuals to vote by secret ballot are fundamental. If any state or federal law requires or permits an election for public office, for any initiative or referendum, or for any designation or authorization of employee representation, the right of any individual to vote by secret ballot shall be guaranteed.
Article VII
Elections and Right of Suffrage

§1. Right to vote.
Elections shall be free and equal, and no power, civil or military, shall at any time interfere to prevent the free exercise of the right of suffrage.

§2. Voter qualification.
Every United States citizen eighteen years of age or older who has met all residency and registration requirements shall be entitled to vote in all elections and upon all questions submitted to the voters of the state unless disqualified by law for mental incompetence or the conviction of a felony. The Legislature may by law establish reasonable requirements to insure the integrity of the vote.

Each elector who qualified to vote within a precinct shall be entitled to vote in that precinct until he establishes another voting residence. An elector shall never lose his residency for voting solely by reason of his absence from the state.

§3. Elections.
The Legislature shall by law define residence for voting purposes, insure secrecy in voting and provide for the registration of voters, absentee voting, the administration of elections, the nomination of candidates and the voting rights of those serving in the armed forces.

§4 to §10. Superseded.

Article VIII
Education and School Lands

§1. Uniform system of free public schools.
The stability of a republican form of government depending on the morality and intelligence of the people, it shall be the duty of the Legislature to establish and maintain a general and uniform system of public schools wherein tuition shall be without charge, and equally open to all; and to adopt all suitable means to secure to the people the advantages and opportunities of education.

§2. Perpetual trust fund for maintenance of public schools -- Principal inviolate.
All proceeds of the sale of public lands that have heretofore been or may hereafter be given by the United States for the use of public schools in the state; all such per centum as may be granted by the United States on the sales of public lands; the proceeds of all property that shall fall to the state by escheat; the proceeds of all gifts or donations to the state for public schools or not otherwise appropriated by the terms of the gift; and all property otherwise acquired for public schools, shall be and remain a perpetual fund for
the maintenance of public schools in the state. It shall be deemed a trust fund held by the state. The principal shall never be diverted by legislative enactment for any other purpose, and may be increased; but, if any loss occurs through any unconstitutional act, the state shall make the loss good through a special appropriation.

§3. Fund income apportioned among schools -- Apportionment of fines. The interest and income of this fund together with all other sums which may be added thereto by law, shall be faithfully used and applied each year for the benefit of the public schools of the state, and shall be for this purpose apportioned among and between all the several public school corporations of the state in proportion to the number of children in each, of school age, as may be fixed by law; and no part of the fund, either principal or interest, shall ever be diverted, by legislative enactment, even temporarily, from this purpose or used for any other purpose whatever than the maintenance of public schools for the equal benefit of all the people of the state. However, before the interest and income is apportioned to the public schools, the principal shall be increased each year by an amount equal to the rate of inflation from the interest and income earned from this fund. The principal may be prudently invested as provided by law.

The proceeds of all fines collected from violations of state laws shall be paid to the county treasurer of the county in which the fine was imposed, and distributed by the county treasurer among and between all of the several public schools incorporated in such county in proportion to the number of children in each, of school age, as may be fixed by law.

§4. Sale of school lands -- Appraisal. After one year from the assembling of the first Legislature, the lands granted to the state by the United States for the use of public schools may be sold upon the following conditions and no other: not more than one-third of all such lands shall be sold within the first five years, and no more than two-thirds within the first fifteen years after the title thereto is vested in the state, and the Legislature shall, subject to the provisions of this article, provide for the sale of the same.

The commissioner of school and public lands, the state auditor and the county superintendent of schools of the counties severally, shall constitute boards of appraisal and shall appraise all school lands within the several counties which they may from time to time select and designate for sale, at their actual value under the terms of sale.

They shall take care to first select and designate for sale the most valuable lands; and they shall ascertain all such lands as may be of special and peculiar value, other than agricultural, and cause the proper subdivision of the same in order that the largest price may be obtained therefor.

§5. Terms of sale of school lands. No land shall be sold for less than the appraised value, and in no case for less than ten dollars per acre. The purchaser shall pay at least one-tenth of the purchase price in cash. The Legislature shall provide by general law for payment of the balance which shall be made in partial payments and must be fully paid up within thirty years. Interest shall be established by the Legislature. All lands may be sold for cash, provided further, that the purchaser or purchasers shall have the right or option of paying the balance in whole or in
part on any interest paying date, under such rules as the Legislature may provide. No land shall be sold until appraised and advertised and offered for sale at public auction. No land can be sold except at public sale.

Such lands as shall not have been specially subdivided shall be offered in tracts of not more than eighty acres and these subdivided into the smallest division of the lands designated for sale and not sold within two years after their appraisal shall be reappraised by the board of appraisers as hereinafter provided before they are sold.

§6. Conduct of sales of school lands -- Conveyance of right or title.

All sales shall be conducted through the office of the commissioner of school and public lands as may be prescribed by law, and returns of all appraisals and sales shall be made to said office. No sale shall operate to convey any right or title to any lands for sixty days after the date thereof, nor until the same shall have received the approval of the Governor in such form as may be provided by law. No grant or patent for any such lands shall issue until final payment be made.

§7. Perpetual trust fund from proceeds of grants and gifts.

All lands, money, or other property donated, granted, or received from the United States or any other source for a university, agricultural college, normal schools, or other educational or charitable institution or purpose, and the proceeds of all such lands and other property so received from any source, shall be and remain perpetual funds, the interest and income of which, together with the rents of all such lands as may remain unsold, shall be inviolably appropriated and applied to the specific objects of the original grants or gifts. The principal of every such fund may be increased, but shall never be diverted by legislative enactment for any other purpose, and the interest and income only shall be used. Every such fund shall be deemed a trust fund held by the state, and the state shall make good all losses that may occur through any unconstitutional act or where required under the Enabling Act.

§8. Appraisal and sale of donated lands -- Separate accounts.

All lands mentioned in the preceding section shall be appraised and sold in the same manner and by the same officers and boards under the same limitations, and subject to all the conditions as to price, sale and approval, provided above for the appraisal and sale of lands for the benefit of public schools, but a distinct and separate account shall be kept by the proper officers of each of such funds.

§9. Lease of school lands.

The lands mentioned in this article shall be leased for pasturage, meadow, farming, the growing of crops of grain and general agricultural purposes, and at public auction after notice as hereinafter provided in case of sale and shall be offered in tracts not greater than one section. All rents shall be payable annually in advance, and no term of lease shall exceed five years, nor shall any lease be valid until it receives the approval of the Governor.

Provided, that any lessee of school and public lands shall, at the expiration of a five-year lease, be entitled, at his option, to a new lease for the land included in his original lease,
for a period of time not exceeding five years, without public advertising, at the current rental prevailing in the county in which such land is situated, at the time of the issuance of the new lease. The commissioner of school and public lands shall notify by registered mail each lessee or assignee on or before the first day of November first preceding the expiration of his lease that such lease will expire.

Such option shall be exercised by the lessee by notifying the commissioner of school and public lands by registered mail, on or before the first day of December first preceding the expiration of his lease describing the lands for which he desires a new lease, in the same manner as the same is described in his original lease.

The Legislature may provide by appropriate legislation for the payment of local property taxes by the lessees of school and public lands.

§10. Trespassers' claims to public lands not recognized -- Improvements not compensated.

No claim to any public lands by any trespasser thereon by reason of occupancy, cultivation or improvement thereof, shall ever be recognized; nor shall compensation ever be made on account of any improvements made by such trespasser.

§11. Investment of permanent educational funds.

Except as otherwise required by the Enabling Act, the moneys of the permanent school and other educational and charitable funds shall be invested by the state investment council in stocks, bonds, mutual funds, and other financial instruments as provided by law.

§12. Disapproval by Governor of sale, lease or investment.

The Governor may disapprove any sale, lease or investment other than such as are in trusted to the counties.

§13. Audit of losses to permanent educational funds -- Permanent debt -- Interest.

The permanent school or other educational and charitable funds of this state shall be audited by the proper authorities of the state. If any loss occurs through any unconstitutional act, the state shall make the loss good through a special appropriation. The amount of indebtedness so created shall not be counted as a part of the indebtedness mentioned in article XIII, § 2.

§14. Protection and defense of school lands.

The Legislature shall provide by law for the protection of the school lands from trespass or unlawful appropriation, and for their defense against all unauthorized claims or efforts to divert them from the school fund.

§15. Taxation to support school system -- Classification of property.

The Legislature shall make such provision by general taxation and by authorizing the school corporations to levy such additional taxes as with the income from the permanent school fund shall secure a thorough and efficient system of common schools throughout the state. The Legislature is empowered to classify properties within school districts into
separate classes for purposes of school taxation. Taxes shall be uniform on all property in the same class.

§16. Public support of sectarian instruction prohibited.
No appropriation of lands, money or other property or credits to aid any sectarian school shall ever be made by the state, or any county or municipality within the state, nor shall the state or any county or municipality within the state accept any grant, conveyance, gift or bequest of lands, money or other property to be used for sectarian purposes, and no sectarian instruction shall be allowed in any school or institution aided or supported by the state.

§17. Interest in sale of school equipment prohibited.
No teacher, state, county, township or district school officer shall be interested in the sale, proceeds or profits of any book, apparatus or furniture used or to be used in any school in this state, under such penalties as shall be provided by law.

§18. Apportionment of mineral leasing moneys -- Amounts covered into permanent funds.
Notwithstanding the provisions of §§ 2, 3 and 7 of article VIII of this Constitution, moneys received from the leasing of all common school, indemnity, and endowment lands for oil and gas and other mineral leasing of said lands shall be apportioned among the public schools and the various state institutions in such manner that the public schools and each of such institutions shall receive an amount which bears the same ratio to the total amount apportioned as the number of acres (including any that may have been disposed of) granted for such public schools or for such institutions bears to the total number of acres (including any that may have been disposed of) granted in trust to the state by the Enabling Act approved February 22, 1889, as amended, and allocations authorized pursuant to the provisions of § 17 of such Enabling Act; and further that not less than fifty percent of each such amount so allocated shall be covered into the permanent fund of the public schools and each of such institutions.

§19. Mineral rights reserved to state -- Leases permitted.
All gas, coal, oil and mineral rights, and any other rights, as specified by law, to or in public lands, are reserved for the state. Leases may be executed by the state for the exploration, extraction and sale of such materials in the manner and with such conditions as are provided by law.

§20. Loan of nonsectarian textbooks to all school children.
Notwithstanding the provisions of section 3, Article VI and section 16, Article VIII, the Legislature may authorize the loaning of nonsectarian textbooks to all children of school age.
§1. Organization of local government.
The Legislature shall have plenary powers to organize and classify units of local
government, except that any proposed change in county boundaries shall be submitted to
the voters of each affected county at an election and be approved by a majority of those
voting thereon in each county. No township heretofore organized may be abolished
unless the question is submitted to the voters of the township and approved by a majority
of those voting thereon in each township.

§2. Home rule.
Any county or city or combinations thereof may provide for the adoption or amendment
of a charter. Such charter shall be adopted or amended if approved at an election by a
majority of the votes cast thereon. Not less than ten percent of those voting in the last
preceding gubernatorial election in the affected jurisdiction may by petition initiate the
question of whether to adopt or amend a charter.

A chartered governmental unit may exercise any legislative power or perform any
function not denied by its charter, the Constitution or the general laws of the state. The
charter may provide for any form of executive, legislative and administrative structure
which shall be of superior authority to statute, provided that the legislative body so
established be chosen by popular election and that the administrative proceedings be
subject to judicial review.

Powers and functions of home rule units shall be construed liberally.

§3. Intergovernmental cooperation.
Every local government may exercise, perform or transfer any of its powers or functions,
including financing the same, jointly or in cooperation with any other governmental
entities, either within or without the state, except as the Legislature shall provide
otherwise by law.

§4. Local initiatives to provide for cooperation and organization of local
government units.
On or after January 1, 2001, the voters of any unit of local government shall have the
right to initiate proposals for cooperation within or between local governmental units,
either within or without the state, except as the Legislature shall provide otherwise by
law. Such proposals may include combining, eliminating, and joint financing of offices,
functions, and governmental units. Such proposals shall be adopted if approved at an
election by a majority of the votes cast thereon in each affected unit. A number not less
than fifteen percent of those voting in the last preceding gubernatorial election in each
affected jurisdiction may by petition initiate the question of whether to adopt the proposal
at the next general election.

§5 to §7. Superseded.
Article X  
Municipal Corporations

[Repealed by SL 1972, ch 3, approved Nov. 7, 1972.]

Article XI  
Revenue and Finance

§1. Annual Tax.
The Legislature shall provide for an annual tax, sufficient to defray the estimated ordinary expenses of the state for each year, not to exceed in any one year two mills on each dollar of the assessed valuation of all taxable property in the state, to be ascertained by the last assessment made for state and county purposes.

And whenever it shall appear that such ordinary expenses shall exceed the income of the state for such year, the Legislature shall provide for levying a tax for the ensuing year, sufficient, with other sources of income, to pay the deficiency of the preceding year, together with the estimated expenses of such ensuing year. And for the purpose of paying the public debt, the Legislature shall provide for levying a tax annually, sufficient to pay the annual interest and the principal of such debt within ten years from the final passage of the law creating the debt; provided, that the annual tax for the payment of the interest and principal of the public debt shall not exceed in any one year two mills on each dollar of the assessed valuation of all taxable property in the state, as ascertained by the last assessment made for the state and county purposes.

Provided, that for the purpose of establishing, installing, maintaining and operating a hard fiber twine and cordage plant at the state penitentiary at Sioux Falls, South Dakota, the Legislature shall provide for a tax for the year 1907 of not to exceed one and one-half mills on each dollar of the assessed valuation of all taxable property in the state, as ascertained by the last assessment made for state and county purposes.

§2. Classification of property for taxation -- Income.
To the end that the burden of taxation may be equitable upon all property, and in order that no property which is made subject to taxation shall escape, the Legislature is empowered to divide all property including moneys and credits as well as physical property into classes and to determine what class or classes of property shall be subject to taxation and what property, if any, shall not be subject to taxation. Taxes shall be uniform on all property of the same class, and shall be levied and collected for public purposes only. Taxes may be imposed upon any and all property including privileges, franchises and licenses to do business in the state. Gross earnings and net incomes may be considered in taxing any and all property, and the valuation of property for taxation purposes shall never exceed the actual value thereof. The Legislature is empowered to impose taxes upon incomes and occupations, and taxes upon incomes may be graduated and progressive and reasonable exemptions may be provided.
§3. Corporate tax power of state not suspended.
The power to tax corporations and corporate property shall not be surrendered or suspended by any contract or grant to which the state shall be a party.

§4. Banks and bankers taxed.
The Legislature shall provide for taxing all moneys, credits, investments in bonds, stocks, joint stock companies, or otherwise; and also for taxing the notes and bills discounted or purchased, moneys loaned and all other property, effects or dues of every description, of all banks and of all bankers, so that all property employed in banking shall always be subject to a taxation equal to that imposed on the property of individuals.

§5. Public property exempt from taxation -- Exceptions.
The property of the United States and of the state, county and municipal corporations, both real and personal, shall be exempt from taxation, provided, however, that all state owned lands acquired under the provisions of the rural credit act may be taxed by the local taxing districts for county, township and school purposes, and all state owned lands, known as public shooting areas, acquired under the provisions of § 25.0106 SDC 1939 and acts amendatory thereto, may be taxed by the local taxing districts for county, township and school purposes in such manner as the Legislature may provide.

§6. Property exempt from taxation -- Personal property.
The Legislature shall, by general law, exempt from taxation, property used exclusively for agricultural and horticultural societies, for school, religious, cemetery and charitable purposes, property acquired and used exclusively for public highway purposes, and personal property to any amount not exceeding in value two hundred dollars for each individual liable to taxation.

§7. Other exemption laws void.
All laws exempting property from taxation other than that enumerated in §§ 5 and 6 of this article, shall be void.

§8. Object of tax to be stated -- Use of vehicle and fuel taxes.
No tax shall be levied except in pursuance of a law, which shall distinctly state the object of the same, to which the tax only shall be applied, and the proceeds from the imposition of any license, registration fee, or other charge with respect to the operation of any motor vehicle upon any public highways in this state and the proceeds from the imposition of any excise tax on gasoline or other liquid motor fuel except costs of administration and except the tax imposed upon gasoline or other liquid motor fuel not used to propel a motor vehicle over or upon public highways of this state shall be used exclusively for the maintenance, construction and supervision of highways and bridges of this state.

All taxes levied and collected for state purposes shall be paid into the state treasury. No indebtedness shall be incurred or money expended by the state, and no warrant shall be drawn upon the state treasurer except in pursuance of an appropriation for the specific
purpose first made. The Legislature shall provide by suitable enactment for carrying this section into effect.

§10. Special assessments for local improvements -- Taxes for municipal purposes.
The Legislature may vest the corporate authority of cities, towns and villages, with power to make local improvements by special taxation of contiguous property or otherwise. For all corporate purposes, all municipal corporations may be vested with authority to assess and collect taxes; but such tax shall be uniform in respect to persons and property within the jurisdiction of the body levying the same.

§11. Unauthorized use of public money as felony.
The making of profit, directly or indirectly, out of state, county, city, town or school district money, or using the same for any purpose not authorized by law, shall be deemed a felony and shall be punished as provided by law.

An accurate statement of the receipts and expenditures of the public moneys shall be published annually, in such manner as the Legislature may provide.

§13. Vote required to increase tax rates or valuations.
The rate of taxation imposed by the state of South Dakota on personal or corporate income or on sales or services, or the allowable levies or the percentage basis for determining valuation as fixed by law for purposes of taxation on real or personal property, shall not be increased unless by consent of the people by exercise of their right of initiative or by two-thirds vote of all the members elect of each branch of the Legislature.

§14. Vote required to impose or increase taxes.
The rate of taxation imposed by the State of South Dakota in regard to any tax may not be increased and no new tax may be imposed by the State of South Dakota unless by consent of the people by exercise of their right of initiative or by two-thirds vote of all the members elect of each branch of the Legislature.

§15. Inheritance tax prohibited.
No tax may be levied on any inheritance, and the Legislature may not enact any law imposing such a tax. The effective date of this section is July 1, 2001.

Article XII
Public Accounts and Expenditures

§1. Appropriation and warrant required for payment from treasury.
No money shall be paid out of the treasury except upon appropriation by law and on warrant drawn by the proper officer.
§2. Contents of general appropriation bill -- Separate appropriation bills.
The general appropriation bill shall embrace nothing but appropriations for ordinary expenses of the executive, legislative and judicial departments of the state, the current expenses of state institutions, interest on the public debt, and for common schools. All other appropriations shall be made by separate bills, each embracing but one object, and shall require a two-thirds vote of all the members of each branch of the Legislature.

§3. Extra compensation prohibited -- Unauthorized contracts -- Change in compensation of officers -- Appropriations for defense of state.
The Legislature shall never grant any extra compensation to any public officer, employee, agent or contractor after the services shall have been rendered or the contract entered into, nor authorize the payment of any claims or part thereof created against the state, under any agreement or contract made without express authority of law, and all such unauthorized agreements or contracts shall be null and void; nor shall the compensation of any public officer be increased or diminished during his term of office; provided, however, that the Legislature may make appropriations for expenditures incurred in suppressing insurrection or repelling invasion.

§4. Annual statement required.
An itemized statement of all receipts and expenditures of the public moneys shall be published annually in such manner as the Legislature shall provide, and such statement shall be submitted to the Legislature at the beginning of each regular session by the Governor with his message.

§5. Health care trust fund established - Investment - Appropriations.
There is hereby created in the state treasury a trust fund named the health care trust fund. The state treasurer shall deposit into the health care trust fund any funds on deposit in the intergovernmental transfer fund as of July 1, 2001, and thereafter any funds appropriated to the health care trust fund as provided by law. The South Dakota Investment Council or its successor shall invest the health care trust fund in stocks, bonds, mutual funds, and other financial instruments as provided by law. Beginning in fiscal year 2003, and each year thereafter, the state treasurer shall make a distribution from the health care trust fund into the state general fund to be appropriated by law for health care related programs. The calculation of the distribution shall be defined by law and may promote growth of the fund and a steadily growing distribution amount. The health care trust fund may not be diverted for other purposes nor may the principal be invaded unless appropriated by a three-fourths vote of all the members-elect of each house of the Legislature.

There is hereby created in the state treasury a trust fund named the education enhancement trust fund. The state treasurer shall deposit into the education enhancement trust fund any funds received as of July 1, 2001, and funds received thereafter by the state pursuant to the Master Settlement Agreement entered into on November 23, 1998, by the State of South Dakota and major United States tobacco product manufacturers or the net proceeds of any sale or securitization of rights to receive payments pursuant to the Master Settlement Agreement, any funds in the youth-at-risk trust fund as of July 1, 2001, and
thereafter any funds appropriated to the education enhancement trust fund as provided by law. The South Dakota Investment Council or its successor shall invest the education enhancement trust fund in stocks, bonds, mutual funds, and other financial instruments as provided by law. Beginning in fiscal year 2003, and each year thereafter, the state treasurer shall make a distribution from the education enhancement trust fund into the state general fund to be appropriated by law for education enhancement programs. The calculation of the distribution shall be defined by law and may promote growth of the fund and a steadily growing distribution amount. The education enhancement trust fund may not be diverted for other purposes nor may the principal be invaded unless appropriated by a three-fourths vote of all the members-elect of each house of the Legislature.

Article XIII
Public Indebtedness

§1. State enterprises -- Legislative vote required -- Defense of state -- Rural credits -- Maximum indebtedness.

For the purpose of developing the resources and improving the economic facilities of South Dakota, the state may engage in works of internal improvement, may own and conduct proper business enterprises, may loan or give its credit to, or in aid of, any association, or corporation, organized for such purposes. But any such association or corporation shall be subject to regulation and control by the state as may be provided by law. No money of the state shall be appropriated, or indebtedness incurred for any of the purposes of this section, except by the vote of two-thirds of the members of each branch of the Legislature. The state may also assume or pay any debt or liability incurred in time of war for the defense of the state. The state may establish and maintain a system of rural credits and thereby loan and extend credit to the people of the state upon real estate security in such manner and upon such terms and conditions as may be prescribed by general law. The limit of indebtedness contained in § 2 of this article shall not apply to the provisions of this section, but the indebtedness of the state for the purposes contained in this section shall never exceed one-half of one percent of the assessed valuation of the property of the state, provided however, that nothing contained in this section shall affect the refinancing or refunding of the present outstanding indebtedness of this state.

§2. Maximum state debt -- Irrepealable tax to repay.

For the purpose of defraying extraordinary expenses and making public improvements, or to meet casual deficits or failure in revenue, the state may contract debts never to exceed with previous debts in the aggregate one hundred thousand dollars, and no greater indebtedness shall be incurred except for the purpose of repelling invasion, suppressing insurrection, or defending the state or the United States in war and provision shall be made by law for the payment of the interest annually, and the principal when due, by tax levied for the purpose or from other sources of revenue; which law providing for the payment of such interest and principal by such tax or otherwise shall be irrepealable until
such debt is paid: provided, however, the state of South Dakota shall have the power to refund the territorial debt assumed by the state of South Dakota, by bonds of the state of South Dakota.

§3. State debt as in addition to territorial debt.
That the indebtedness of the state of South Dakota limited by § 2 of this article shall be in addition to the debt of the territory of Dakota assumed by and agreed to be paid by South Dakota.

§4. Debt limitations for municipalities and political subdivisions.
The debt of any county, city, town or civil township shall never exceed five per centum upon the assessed valuation of the taxable property therein, for the year preceding that in which said indebtedness is incurred. The debt of any school district shall never exceed ten per centum upon the assessed valuation of the taxable property therein, for the year preceding that in which said indebtedness is incurred. In estimating the amount of the indebtedness which a municipality or subdivision may incur, the amount of indebtedness contracted prior to the adoption of the Constitution shall be included.

Provided, that any county, municipal corporation, civil township, district, or other subdivision may incur an additional indebtedness, not exceeding ten per centum upon the assessed valuation of the taxable property therein, for the year preceding that in which said indebtedness is incurred, for the purpose of providing water and sewerage, for irrigation, domestic uses, sewerage and other purposes; and

Provided, further, that in a city where the population is eight thousand or more, such city may incur an indebtedness not exceeding eight per centum upon the assessed valuation of the taxable property therein for the year next preceding that in which said indebtedness is incurred for the purpose of constructing street railways, electric lights or other lighting plants.

Provided, further, that no county, municipal corporation, civil township, district or subdivision shall be included within such district or subdivision without a majority vote in favor thereof of the electors of the county, municipal corporation, civil township, district or other subdivision, as the case may be, which is proposed to be included therein, and no such debt shall ever be incurred for any of the purposes in this section provided, unless authorized by a vote in favor thereof by a majority of the electors of such county, municipal corporation, civil township, district or subdivision incurring the same.

§5. Irrepealable tax to repay debt of municipality or political subdivision.
Any city, county, town, school district or any other subdivision incurring indebtedness shall, at or before the time of so doing, provide for the collection of an annual tax sufficient to pay the interest and also the principal thereof when due, and all laws or ordinances providing for the payment of the interest or principal of any debt shall be irrepealable until such debt be paid.

§6. Adjustment of debts and liabilities of territory of Dakota.
In order that payment of the debts and liabilities contracted or incurred by and in behalf of the territory of Dakota may be justly and equitably provided for and made, and in pursuance of the requirements of an act of Congress approved February 22, 1889, entitled
"An act to provide for the division of Dakota into two states and to enable the people of North Dakota, South Dakota, Montana and Washington to form Constitutions and state governments and to be admitted into the union on an equal footing with the original states, and to make donations of public lands to such states" the states of North Dakota and South Dakota, by proceedings of a joint commission, duly appointed under said act, the sessions whereof were held at Bismarck in said state of North Dakota, from July 16, 1889, to July 31, 1889, inclusive, have agreed to the following adjustment of the amounts of the debts and liabilities of the territory of Dakota which shall be assumed and paid by each of the states of North Dakota and South Dakota, respectively, to wit:

1. This agreement shall take effect and be in force from and after the admission into the union, as one of the United States of America, of either the state of North Dakota or the state of South Dakota.

2. The words "state of North Dakota" wherever used in this agreement, shall be taken to mean the territory of North Dakota, in case the state of South Dakota shall be admitted into the union prior to the admission into the union of the state of North Dakota; and the words "state of South Dakota," wherever used in this agreement, shall be taken to mean the territory of South Dakota in case the state of North Dakota shall be admitted into the union prior to the admission into the union of the state of South Dakota.

3. The said state of North Dakota shall assume and pay all bonds issued by the territory of Dakota to provide funds for the purchase, construction, repairs or maintenance of such public institutions, grounds or buildings as are located within the boundaries of North Dakota, and shall pay all warrants issued under and by virtue of that certain act of the legislative assembly of the territory of Dakota, approved March 3, 1889, entitled an act to provide for the refunding of outstanding warrants drawn on the capitol building fund.

4. The said state of South Dakota shall assume and pay all bonds issued by the territory of Dakota to provide funds for the purchase, construction, repairs or maintenance of such public institutions, grounds or buildings as are located within the boundaries of South Dakota.

5. That is to say: The state of North Dakota shall assume and pay the following bonds and indebtedness, to wit: Bonds issued on account of the hospital for insane at Jamestown, North Dakota, the face aggregate of which is two hundred and sixty-six thousand dollars; also, bonds issued on account of the North Dakota University at Grand Forks, North Dakota, the face aggregate of which is ninety-six thousand seven hundred dollars; also, bonds issued on account of the penitentiary at Bismarck, North Dakota, the face aggregate of which is ninety-three thousand six hundred dollars; also, refunding capitol building warrants dated April 1, 1889, eighty-three thousand five hundred and seven dollars and forty-six cents.

And the state of South Dakota shall assume and pay the following bonds and indebtedness, to wit: Bonds issued on account of the hospital for the insane at Yankton, South Dakota, the face aggregate of which is two hundred and ten thousand dollars; also, bonds issued on account of the school for deaf mutes, at Sioux Falls, South Dakota, the face aggregate of which is fifty-one thousand six hundred dollars; also, bonds issued on account of the university at Vermillion, South Dakota, the face aggregate of which is seventy-five thousand dollars; also, bonds issued on account of the penitentiary at Sioux Falls, South
Dakota, the face aggregate of which is ninety-four thousand three hundred dollars; also, bonds issued on account of agricultural college at Brookings, South Dakota, the face aggregate of which is ninety-seven thousand five hundred dollars; also, bonds issued on account of the normal school at Madison, South Dakota, the face aggregate of which is forty-nine thousand four hundred dollars; also, bonds issued on account of school of mines at Rapid City, South Dakota, the face aggregate of which is thirty-three thousand dollars; also, bonds issued on account of the reform school at Plankinton, South Dakota, the face aggregate of which is thirty thousand dollars; also, bonds issued on account of the normal school at Spearfish, South Dakota, the face aggregate of which is twenty-five thousand dollars; also, bonds issued on account of the soldiers’ home at Hot Springs, South Dakota, the face aggregate of which is forty-five thousand dollars.

6. The states of North Dakota and South Dakota shall pay one-half each of all liabilities now existing or hereafter and prior to the taking effect of this agreement incurred, except those heretofore and hereafter incurred on account of public institutions, grounds or buildings, except as otherwise herein specifically provided.

7. The state of South Dakota shall pay to the state of North Dakota forty-six thousand five hundred dollars on account of the excess of territorial appropriations for the permanent improvement of territorial institutions which under this agreement will go to South Dakota, and in full of the undivided one-half interest of North Dakota in the territorial library and in full settlement of unbalanced accounts, and of all claims against the territory, of whatever nature, legal or equitable, arising out of the alleged erroneous or unlawful taxation of the Northern Pacific Railroad lands, and the payment of said amount shall discharge and exempt the state of South Dakota from all liability for or on account of the several matters hereinbefore referred to; nor shall either state be called upon to pay or answer to any portion of liability hereafter arising or accruing on account of transactions heretofore had, which liability would be a liability of the territory of Dakota had such territory remained in existence, and which liability shall grow out of matters connected with any public institution, grounds or buildings of the territory situated or located within the boundaries of the other state.

8. A final adjustment of accounts shall be made upon the following basis: North Dakota shall be charged with all sums paid on account of the public institutions, grounds or buildings located within its boundaries on account of the current appropriations since March 8, 1889; and South Dakota shall be charged with all sums paid on account of public institutions, grounds or buildings located within its boundaries on the same account and during the same time. Each state shall be charged with one-half of all other expenses of the territorial government during the same time. All moneys paid into the treasury during the period from March 8, 1889, to the time of taking effect of this agreement by any county, municipality or person within the limits of the proposed state of North Dakota shall be credited to the state of North Dakota; and all sums paid into said treasury within the same time by any county, municipality or person within the limits of the proposed state of South Dakota shall be credited to the state of South Dakota; except that any and all taxes on gross earnings paid into said treasury by railroad corporations since the eighth day of March 1889, based upon earnings of years prior to 1888, under and by virtue of the act of the legislative assembly of the territory of Dakota, approved March 7, 1889, and entitled "An act providing for the levy and collection of taxes upon property of railroad companies in this territory," being chapter 107 of the Session Laws
of 1889 (that is, the part of such sum going to the territory) shall be equally divided between the states of North Dakota and South Dakota; and all taxes heretofore or hereafter paid into said treasury under and by virtue of the act last mentioned, based on the gross earnings of the year 1888, shall be distributed as already provided by law, except that so much thereof as goes to the territorial treasury shall be divided as follows: North Dakota shall have so (much) thereof as shall be or has been paid by railroads within the limits of the proposed state of North Dakota and South Dakota so much thereof as shall be or has been paid by railroads within the limits of the proposed state of South Dakota. Each state shall be credited also with all balances of appropriations made by the seventeenth legislative assembly of the territory of Dakota for the account of public institutions, grounds or buildings situated within its limits, remaining unexpended on March 8, 1889. If there be any indebtedness except the indebtedness represented by the bonds and refunding warrants hereinbefore mentioned, each state shall at the time of such final adjustment of accounts, assume its share of said indebtedness as determined by the amount paid on account of the public institutions, grounds or buildings of such state in excess of the receipts from counties, municipalities, railroad corporations or persons within the limits of said state as provided in this article; and if there should be a surplus at the time of such final adjustment, each state shall be entitled to the amounts received from counties, municipalities, railroad corporations or persons within its limits over and above the amount charged to it.

§7. **Obligation of state to pay proportion of territorial debt.**

And the state of South Dakota hereby obligates itself to pay such part of the debts and liabilities of the territory of Dakota as is declared by the foregoing agreement to be its proportion thereof, the same as if such proportion had been originally created by said state of South Dakota as its own debt or liability.

§8. **Refunding bond issue authorized for territorial debt payment.**

The territorial treasurer is hereby authorized and empowered to issue refunding bonds to the amount of one hundred seven thousand five hundred dollars, bearing interest not to exceed the rate of four percent per annum, for the purpose of refunding the following described indebtedness of the territory of Dakota, to wit:

Seventy-seven thousand five hundred dollars, five percent bonds, dated May 1, 1883, issued for the construction of the west wing of the insane hospital at Yankton and thirty thousand dollars, six percent bonds dated May 1, 1883, issued for permanent improvements [of the] Dakota penitentiary, at Sioux Falls, such refunding bonds, if issued, to run for not more than twenty years, and shall be executed by the Governor and treasurer of the territory, and shall be attested by the secretary under the great seal of the territory.

In case such bonds are issued by the territorial treasurer as hereinbefore set forth, before the first day of October, 1889, then upon the admission of South Dakota as a state it shall assume and pay said bonds in lieu of the aforesaid territorial indebtedness.

§9. **Road construction and coal supply by state.**

The construction and maintenance of good roads and the supplying of coal to the people of the state from the lands belonging to the state are works of necessity and importance in
which the state may engage but no expenditure of money for the same shall be made except by the vote of a two-thirds majority of the Legislature.

§10. State cement enterprises.
The manufacture, distribution and sale of cement and cement products are hereby declared to be works of public necessity and importance in which the state may engage, and suitable laws may be enacted by the Legislature to empower the state to acquire, by purchase or appropriation, all lands, easements, rights of way, tracks, structures, equipment, cars, motive power, implements, facilities, instrumentalities and material, incident or necessary to carry the provisions of this section into effect: provided, however, that no expenditure of money for the purposes enumerated in this section shall be made, except upon a vote of two-thirds of the members elect of each branch of the Legislature.

§11. State pledge to fund cement enterprises.
The state may pledge such cement plants and all of the accessories thereto, and may pledge the credit of the state, to provide funds for the purposes enumerated in §10 of this article, any provision in this Constitution to the contrary notwithstanding.

§12. State electric power enterprises.
The manufacture, distribution and sale of electric current for heating, lighting and power purposes are hereby declared to be works of public necessity and importance in which the state may engage, and suitable laws may be enacted by the Legislature to empower the state to acquire, by purchase or appropriation all lands, easements, rights of way, tracks, structures, equipment, cars, motive power, implements, facilities, instrumentalities and material incident or necessary to the acquisition, ownership, control, development and operation of the water powers of this state, and to carry this provision into effect: provided, however, that no expenditure of money for the purposes enumerated in this section shall be made except by a vote of two-thirds of the members elect of each branch of the Legislature.

§13. State pledge to fund electric power enterprises.
The state may pledge such plants and all of the accessories thereto, and may pledge the credit of the state, to provide funds for the purposes enumerated in §12 of this article, any provision in this Constitution to the contrary notwithstanding.

The mining, distribution and sale of coal are hereby declared to be works of public necessity and importance in which the state may engage, and the Legislature may enact suitable laws to carry this provision into effect and to empower the state to acquire, by purchase or appropriation, all lands, structures, easements, tracks, rights of way, equipment, cars, motive power, and all other facilities, implements, instrumentalities, and materials necessary or incidental to the acquisition, mining, manufacturing and distribution of coal for fuel purposes: provided, however, that no expenditure of money for the purposes enumerated in this section shall be made except upon a vote of two-thirds of the members elect of each branch of the Legislature.
§15. State pledge to fund coal enterprises.
The state may pledge such plants and all of the accessories thereto, as well as the credit of this state, to provide funds for the purposes enumerated in § 14 of this article, any provision in this Constitution to the contrary notwithstanding.

§16. Works of internal improvement -- State indebtedness.
The state may engage in works of internal improvement, any provision in this Constitution, or limitation in § 2 of this article, to the contrary notwithstanding. The indebtedness of the state for the purposes contained in this section shall never exceed one-half of one percent of the assessed valuation of all property in this state and no such indebtedness shall be incurred nor money expended, except upon a two-thirds vote of the members elect in each branch of the Legislature.

§17. Home loans by state -- Debt limitation inapplicable.
The state may establish and maintain a system of credits for assisting in the building of homes by the people of the state, and therefor may loan money and extend credit to the people of the state upon real estate security in such manner and upon such terms and conditions as may be prescribed by general law. The limitations and provisions regarding the incurring of indebtedness elsewhere found in the Constitution shall not apply to this section, but the Legislature shall, at the time of incurring any indebtedness hereunder, provide for discharging same.

§18. Compensation of military and war relief personnel -- Maximum indebtedness.
The Legislature shall be authorized to provide by law for compensating honorably discharged soldiers, sailors, marines, and others, who have served with the armed forces of the United States, or who have engaged in war relief work in the World's War, or other wars of the United States, including former American citizens, who served in allied armies against the central powers in the World's War and who have been honorably discharged and repatriated; such compensation not to exceed the sum of fifteen dollars per month for the period of such service. For this purpose the Legislature may use the credit of the state, and any indebtedness created for this purpose shall not be a part of the indebtedness authorized or limited by other provisions of the Constitution; provided, that the amount of all indebtedness created by the state for the purposes specified in this section shall not exceed six million dollars.

1. The Legislature shall be authorized to provide by law for compensating and paying a bonus in money to veterans and to dependents of deceased veterans, who were legal residents of the state of South Dakota for a period of not less than six months immediately preceding entry into the armed forces of the United States and who have served for ninety or more days in the armed forces of the United States between the period beginning December 7, 1941 and ending September 2, 1945 and who are still in the armed forces or were discharged therefrom under conditions other than dishonorable. Such bonus to be paid in cash, at the rate of fifty cents per day for each day of service in the armed forces within continental United States and at the rate of seventy-five cents per
day for each day of service in the armed forces outside of continental United States, provided that any such person who served wholly within continental United States shall be entitled to receive not to exceed a bonus or total sum of five hundred dollars, and any such person who has served wholly outside of continental United States, or partly within and partly without, shall be entitled to receive not to exceed a bonus payment in the total sum of six hundred fifty dollars; such bonus to be paid on or before the thirty-first day of December 1950. For this purpose the Legislature may use credit of the state and any indebtedness created for this purpose shall not be a part of the indebtedness authorized or limited by other provisions of the Constitution; provided that the amount of indebtedness created by the state for the purpose specified in this section shall not exceed thirty million dollars. If upon computation the amount of thirty million dollars shall be inadequate to make the specified payments as stated in this section, the Legislature shall have the power to apportion the amount.

2. The term "armed forces" shall mean and include the following: United States army, army of the United States, United States navy, United States naval reserves, United States marine corps, United States marine corps reserve, United States coast guard, United States coast guard reserve which shall be construed to include the United States guard temporary reserve, women's army corps, United States navy women's reserve, United States marine corps women's reserve, United States coast guard women's reserve, army nurse corps and navy nurse corps.

§20. Trust fund created from proceeds of state cement enterprise -- Investment.

The net proceeds derived from the sale of state cement enterprises shall be deposited by the South Dakota Cement Commission in a trust fund hereby created to benefit the citizens of South Dakota. The South Dakota Investment Council or its successor shall invest the trust fund in stocks, bonds, mutual funds, and other financial instruments as provided by law.

§21. Transfers from trust fund to general fund in support of education.

The Legislature shall transfer from the trust fund to the state general fund four percent of the lesser of the average market value of the trust fund determined by adding the market value of the trust fund at the end of the sixteen most recent calendar quarters as of December thirty-first of that year and dividing that sum by sixteen, or the market value of the trust fund at the end of that calendar year for the support of education in South Dakota. The transfer shall be made prior to June thirtieth of the subsequent calendar year.

Article XIV
State Institutions

§1. Charitable and penal institutions.

The charitable and penal institutions of the state of South Dakota shall consist of a penitentiary, a hospital for the mentally ill, a school for the developmentally disabled, and a reform school for juveniles.
§2. **Government of charitable and penal institutions.**
The state institutions provided for in the preceding section shall be governed under such rules and restrictions as the Legislature shall provide.

§3. **Board to govern state educational institutions.**
The state university, the agriculture college, the school of mines and technology, the normal schools, a school for the deaf, a school for the blind, and all other educational institutions that may be sustained either wholly or in part by the state shall be under the control of a board of five members appointed by the Governor and confirmed by the senate under such rules and restrictions as the Legislature shall provide. The Legislature may increase the number of members to nine.

§4. [Repealed.]

§5. **Mining and metallurgy to be taught.**
The Legislature shall provide that the science of mining and metallurgy be taught in at least one institution of learning under the patronage of the state.

**Article XV**

**Militia**

§1. **Composition of militia.**
The militia of the state of South Dakota shall consist of all able-bodied male persons residing in the state, between the ages of eighteen and forty-five years, except such persons as now are, or hereafter may be, exempted by the laws of the United States or of this state.

§2. **Legislative provisions for militia.**
The Legislature shall provide by law for the enrollment, uniforming, equipment and discipline of the militia and the establishment of volunteer and such other organizations or both, as may be deemed necessary for the protection of the state, the preservation of order and the efficiency and good of the service.

§3. **Conformity to federal regulations.**
The Legislature in providing for the organization of the militia shall conform, as nearly as practicable, to the regulations for the government of the armies of the United States.

§4. **Commissions of officers of militia.**
All militia officers shall be commissioned by the Governor, and may hold their commissions for such period of time as the Legislature may provide, subject to removal by the Governor for cause, to be first ascertained by a court-martial pursuant to law.
§5. Militia privileged from arrest.
The militia shall in cases except treason, felony or breach of the peace, be privileged from arrest during their attendance at muster and elections and in going to and returning from the same.

§6. Safekeeping of military records and relics.
All military records, banners and relics of the state, except when in lawful use, shall be preserved in the office of _the adjutant general_ as an enduring memorial of the patriotism and valor of South Dakota; and it shall be the duty of the Legislature to provide by law for the safekeeping of the same.

§7. Conscientious objectors.
No person having conscientious scruples against bearing arms shall be compelled to do military duty in time of peace.

Article XVI
Impeachment and Removal from Office

§1. Power of impeachment in house -- Majority required.
The house of representatives shall have the sole power of impeachment.
The concurrence of a majority of all members elected shall be necessary to an impeachment.

§2. Trial of impeachments -- Presiding officer.
All impeachments shall be tried by the senate. When sitting for that purpose the senators shall be upon oath or affirmation to do justice according to law and evidence. No person shall be convicted without the concurrence of two-thirds of the members elected. When the Governor or lieutenant governor is on trial the presiding judge of the Supreme Court shall preside.

§3. Officers subject to impeachment -- Grounds -- Removal from office -- Criminal prosecution.
The Governor and other state and judicial officers, except county judges, justices of the peace and police magistrates, shall be liable to impeachment for drunkenness, crimes, corrupt conduct, or malfeasance or misdemeanor in office, but judgment in such cases shall not extend further than to removal from office and disqualification to hold any office of trust or profit under the state. The person accused whether convicted or acquitted shall nevertheless be liable to indictment, trial, judgment and punishment according to law.

§4. Removals of officers not subject to impeachment.
All officers not liable to impeachment shall be subject to removal for misconduct or malfeasance or crime or misdemeanor in office, or for drunkenness or gross incompetency, in such manner as may be provided by law.
§5. Suspension of duties between impeachment and acquittal.
No officer shall exercise the duties of his office after he shall have been impeached and before his acquittal.

§6. Lieutenant governor not to try Governor.
On trial of an impeachment against the Governor the lieutenant governor shall not act as a member of the court.

§7. Service of copy of impeachment before trial required.
No person shall be tried on impeachment before he shall have been served with a copy thereof at least twenty days previous to the day set for trial.

§8. Impeachment twice for same offense prohibited.
No person shall be liable to impeachment twice for the same offense.

Article XVII
Corporations

§1. Special corporation laws prohibited – State -- controlled corporations excepted.
No corporation shall be created or have its charter extended, changed or amended by special laws, except those for charitable, educational, penal or reformatory purposes, which are to be and remain under the patronage and control of the state; but the Legislature shall provide, by general laws, for the organization of all corporations hereafter to be created.

§2. Invalidation of charters without bona fide organization and business.
All existing charters, or grants of special or exclusive privileges under which a bona fide organization shall not have taken place and business been commenced in good faith at the time this Constitution takes effect, shall thereafter have no validity.

§3. Laws for benefit of corporation as conditioned on compliance with Constitutional provision.
The Legislature shall not remit the forfeiture of the charter of any corporation now existing nor alter or amend the same nor pass any other general or special law for the benefit of such corporation, except upon the condition that such corporation shall thereafter hold its charter subject to the provisions of this Constitution.

§4. Corporations subject to eminent domain -- Police power.
The exercise of the right of eminent domain shall never be abridged or so construed as to prevent the Legislature from taking the property and franchises of incorporated companies and subjecting them to public use, the same as the property of individuals; and
§5. Casting of votes for directors or managers.
In all elections for directors or managers of a corporation, each member or shareholder may cast the whole number of his votes for one candidate, or distribute them upon two or more candidates, as he may prefer.

§6. Place of business and authorized agent required of foreign corporation.
No foreign corporation shall do any business in this state without having one or more known places of business and an authorized agent or agents in the same upon whom process may be served.

§7. Business to be expressed in charter -- Real estate restricted.
No corporation shall engage in any business other than that expressly authorized in its charter, nor shall it take or hold any real estate except such as may be necessary and proper for its legitimate business.

§8. Stocks and bonds -- Indebtedness increase.
No corporation shall issue stocks or bonds except for money, labor done, or money or property actually received; and all fictitious increase of stock or indebtedness shall be void. The stock and indebtedness of corporations shall not be increased except in pursuance of general law, nor without the consent of the persons holding the larger amount in value of the stock first obtained, at a meeting to be held after sixty days’ notice given in pursuance of law.

§9. Legislature's power to alter, revise, or annul corporate charters -- Creation, renewal, or extension.
The Legislature shall have the power to alter, revise or annul any charter of any corporation now existing and revocable at the taking effect of this Constitution, or any that may be created, whenever in their opinion it may be injurious to the citizens of this state, in such a manner, however, that no injustice shall be done to the incorporators. No law hereafter enacted shall create, renew or extend the charter of more than one corporation.

§10. Local consent required for grant of street railroad right.
No law shall be passed by the Legislature granting the right to construct and operate a street railroad within any city, town or incorporated village, without requiring the consent of the local authorities having the control of the street or highway proposed to be occupied by such street railroad.
§11. Construction and maintenance of telegraph lines -- Controlling interest in competing company prohibited.

Any association or corporation organized for the purpose, or any individual, shall have the right to construct and maintain lines of telegraph in this state and to connect the same with other lines; and the Legislature shall by general law of uniform operation provide reasonable regulations to give full effect to this section. No telegraph company shall consolidate with or hold a controlling interest in the stock or bonds of any other telegraph company owning a competing line, or acquire by purchase or otherwise, any other competing line of telegraph.

§12. Railroad corporations.

Every railroad corporation organized or doing business in this state under the laws or authority thereof shall have and maintain a public office or place in this state for the transaction of its business, where transfers of its stock shall be made, and in which shall be kept for public inspection books in which shall be recorded the amount of capital stock subscribed, and by whom; the names of the owners of its stock, and the amount owned by them respectively; the amount of stock paid in, and by whom; the transfers of said stock; the amount of its assets and liabilities; and the names and place of residence of its officers. The directors of every railroad corporation shall annually make a report, under oath, to the auditor of public accounts or some officer or officers to be designated by law, of all their acts and doings, which report shall include such matters relating to railroads as may be prescribed by law, and the Legislature shall pass laws enforcing by suitable penalties the provisions of this section.

§13. Movable property of railroad corporation considered personality -- Execution and sale.

The rolling stock, and all other movable property belonging to any railroad company or corporation in this state shall be considered personal property, and shall be liable to execution and sale in the same manner as the personal property of individuals, and the Legislature shall pass no laws exempting such property from execution and sale.


No railroad corporation shall consolidate its stock, property or franchises with any other railroad corporation owning a parallel or competing line; and in no case shall any consolidation take place except upon public notice given out, at least sixty days to all stockholders, in such manner as may be provided by law. Any attempt to evade the provisions of this section, by any railroad corporation, by lease or otherwise, shall work a forfeiture of its charter.

§15. Railways and rail companies declared public highways and common carriers -- Regulation of rates.

Railways heretofore constructed or that may hereafter be constructed, in this state are hereby declared public highways, and all railroad and transportation companies are declared to be common carriers and subject to legislative control; and the Legislature shall have power to enact laws regulating and controlling the rates of charges for the
transportation of passengers and freight as such common carriers from one point to another in this state.

§16. Right to construct and operate railroad -- Passengers, tonnage and cars.
Any association or corporation organized for the purpose shall have the right to construct and operate a railroad between any points within this state, and to connect at the state line with railroads of other states. Every railroad company shall have the right with its road to intersect, connect with, or cross any other railroad, and shall receive and transport each the other's passengers, tonnage and cars, loaded or empty, without delay or discrimination.

§17. Rate discrimination prevention.
The Legislature shall pass laws to correct abuses and prevent discrimination and extortion in the rates of freight and passenger tariffs on the different railroads in this state, and enforce such laws by adequate penalties, to the extent, if necessary for that purpose, of forfeiture of their property and franchises.

§18. Compensation for private property taken for public use -- Assessment of damages.
Municipal and other corporations and individuals invested with the privilege of taking private property for public use shall make just compensation for property taken, injured or destroyed, by the construction or enlargement of their works, highways or improvements, which compensation shall be paid or secured before such taking, injury or destruction. The Legislature is hereby prohibited from depriving any person of an appeal from any preliminary assessment of damages against any such corporation or individuals made by viewers or otherwise; and the amount of such damages in all cases of appeal shall, on the demand of either party, be determined by a jury as in other civil cases.

The term "corporations," as used in this article, shall be construed to include all joint stock companies or associations having any of the powers or privileges of corporations not possessed by individuals or partnerships.

§20. Monopolies and trusts prohibited -- Combinations in restraint of trade -- Legislative powers.
Monopolies and trusts shall never be allowed in this state and no incorporated company, co-partnership or association of persons in this state shall directly or indirectly combine or make any contract with any incorporated company, foreign or domestic, through their stockholders or the trustees or assigns of such stockholders, or with any co-partnership or association of persons, or in any manner whatever to fix the prices, limit the production or regulate the transportation of any product or commodity so as to prevent competition in such prices, production or transportation or to establish excessive prices therefor.

The Legislature shall pass laws for the enforcement of this section by adequate penalties and in the case of incorporated companies, if necessary for that purpose may, as a penalty, declare a forfeiture of their franchises.
§21. Corporate or syndicate farming prohibited -- Definitions -- Restrictions.  
No corporation or syndicate may acquire, or otherwise obtain an interest, whether legal, beneficial, or otherwise, in any real estate used for farming in this state, or engage in farming. The term, corporation, means any corporation organized under the laws of any state of the United States or any country. The term, syndicate, includes any limited partnership, limited liability partnership, business trust, or limited liability company organized under the laws of any state of the United States or any country. A syndicate does not include general partnerships, except general partnerships in which nonfamily farm syndicates or nonfamily farm corporations are partners. The term, farming, means the cultivation of land for the production of agricultural crops, fruit, or other horticultural products, or the ownership, keeping, or feeding of animals for the production of livestock or livestock products.

§22. Restrictions -- Application.  
The restrictions in § 21 of this Article do not apply to:

(1) A family farm corporation or syndicate. A family farm corporation or syndicate is a corporation or syndicate engaged in farming or the ownership of agricultural land, in which a majority of the partnership interests, shares, stock, or other ownership interests are held by members of a family or a trust created for the benefit of a member of that family. The term, family, means natural persons related to one another within the fourth degree of kinship according to civil law, or their spouses. At least one of the family members in a family farm corporation or syndicate shall reside on or be actively engaged in the day-to-day labor and management of the farm. Day-to-day labor and management shall require both daily or routine substantial physical exertion and administration. None of the corporation's or syndicate's partners, members, or stockholders may be nonresident aliens, or other corporations or syndicates, unless all of the stockholders, members, or partners of such entities are persons related within the fourth degree of kinship to the majority of partners, members, or stockholders in the family farm corporation or syndicate;

(2) Agricultural land acquired or leased, or livestock kept, fed or owned, by a cooperative organized under the laws of any state, if a majority of the shares or other interests of ownership in the cooperative are held by members in the cooperative who are natural persons actively engaged in the day-to-day labor and management of a farm, or family farm corporations or syndicates, and who either acquire from the cooperative, through purchase or otherwise, such livestock, or crops produced on such land, or deliver to the cooperative, through sale or otherwise, crops to be used in the keeping or feeding of such livestock;

(3) Nonprofit corporations organized under state non-profit corporation law;

(4) Agricultural land, which, as of the approval date of this amendment, is being farmed, or which is owned or leased, or in which there is a legal or beneficial interest, directly or indirectly owned, acquired, or obtained by a corporation or syndicate, if such land or other interest is held in continuous ownership or under continuous lease by the same such corporation or syndicate. For the purposes of this exemption, land purchased on a
contract signed as of the approval date of this amendment is considered as owned on that date;

(5) Livestock, which as of the approval date of this amendment, is owned by a corporation or syndicate. For the purposes of this exemption, livestock to be produced under contract for a corporation or syndicate are considered as owned, if the contract is for the keeping or feeding of livestock and is signed as of the approval date of this amendment, and if the contract remains in effect and is not terminated by either party to the contract. This exemption does not extend beyond the term of any contract signed as of the approval date of this amendment;

(6) A farm operated for research or experimental purposes, if any commercial sales from the farm are only incidental to the research or experimental objectives of the corporation or syndicate;

(7) Land leases by alfalfa processors for the production of alfalfa;

(8) Agricultural land operated for the purpose of growing seed, nursery plants, or sod;

(9) Mineral rights on agricultural land;

(10) Agricultural land acquired or leased by a corporation or syndicate for immediate or potential non-farming purposes, for a period of five years from the date of purchase. A corporation or syndicate may hold such agricultural land in such acreage as may be necessary to its nonfarm business operation, but pending the development of the agricultural land for nonfarm purposes, such land may not be used for farming except under lease to a family farm corporation or family farm syndicate or a non-syndicate or non-corporate farm;

(11) Agricultural lands or livestock acquired by a corporation or syndicate by process of law in the collection of debts, or by any procedures for the enforcement of a lien, encumbrance, or claim thereon, whether created by mortgage or otherwise. Any lands so acquired shall be disposed of within a period of five years and may not be used for farming before being disposed of, except under a lease to a family farm corporation or syndicate, or a non-syndicate or non-corporate farm. Any livestock so acquired shall be disposed of within six months;

(12) Agricultural lands held by a state or nationally chartered bank as trustee for a person, corporation or syndicate that is otherwise exempt from the provisions of sections 21 to 24, inclusive, of this Article;

(13) A bona fide encumbrance taken for purposes of security;

(14) Custom spraying, fertilizing, or harvesting;

(15) Livestock futures contracts, livestock purchased for slaughter within two weeks of the purchase date, or livestock purchased and resold within two weeks.

§23. Loss of qualification -- Requalification or dissolution.
If a family farm corporation or family farm syndicate that has qualified under all the requirements of a family farm corporation or a family farm syndicate ceases to meet the defined criteria, it has twenty years, if the ownership of the majority of the stock of such corporation, or the majority of the ownership interest of such syndicate, continues to be
held by persons related to one another within the fourth degree of kinship or their spouses, and their land holdings are not increased, to either requalify as a family farm corporation or family farm syndicate or dissolve and return to personal ownership.

Any corporation or syndicate that owns agricultural land or engages in farming is required to report information necessary for the enforcement of sections 21 to 24, inclusive, of this Article to the Secretary of State on an annual basis, under rules promulgated by the Secretary pursuant to state law. The Secretary of State shall monitor such reports and notify the Attorney General of any possible violations, and any resident of the state may also notify the Attorney General of any possible violations. If a corporation or syndicate violates any provision of sections 21 to 24, inclusive, of this Article, the Attorney General shall commence an action in circuit court to enjoin any pending illegal purchase of land or livestock, or to force divestiture of land or livestock held in violation of sections 21 to 24, inclusive, of this Article. The court shall order any land held in violation of sections 21 to 24 of this Article to be divested within two years and any livestock to be divested within six months. If land so ordered by the court has not been divested within two years, the court shall declare the land escheated to the state. If the Attorney General fails to bring an action in circuit court to enforce sections 21 to 24, inclusive, of this Article, any resident of the state has standing in circuit court to sue for enforcement.

Article XVIII
Banking and Currency

If a general banking law shall be enacted it shall provide for the registry and countersigning by an officer of this state of all bills or paper credit designed to circulate as money, and require security to the full amount thereof, to be deposited with the state treasurer, in the approved securities of the state or of the United States, to be rated at ten per centum below their par value, and in case of their depreciation the deficiency shall be made good by depositing additional securities.

§2. Bank to cease operations within twenty years of organization -- Reorganization.
Every bank, banking company or corporation shall be required to cease all banking operations within twenty years from the time of its organization, and promptly thereafter close its business, but shall have corporate capacity to sue or be sued until its business is fully closed, but the Legislature may provide by general law for the reorganization of such banks.

§3. Liability of banking corporation shareholders and stockholders -- Exemption under federal law.
The shareholders or stockholders of any banking corporation shall be held individually responsible and liable for all contracts, debts and engagements of such corporation to the
extent of the amount of their stock therein, at the par value thereof, in addition to the amount invested in such shares or stock and such individual liability shall continue for one year after any transfer or sale of stock by any stockholder or stockholders. Provided that if the shareholders and stockholders of any national banking corporation shall be exempt from liability by federal law then in that event the liability upon shareholders and stockholders of state banking corporations herein imposed shall not be operative in the event that such state banking corporation has membership in the federal deposit insurance corporation.

Article XIX
Congressional and Legislative Apportionment

§1. Congressional representatives elected at large.
Until otherwise provided by law, the members of the house of representatives of the United States, apportioned to this state, shall be elected by the state at large.

§2. Senatorial and representative districts -- Apportionment.
Until otherwise provided by law, the senatorial and representative districts shall be formed, and the senators and representatives shall be apportioned as follows:

DISTRICTS
[Omitted -- See Chapter 2-2 for current provisions.]

Article XX
Seat of Government

§1. Temporary seat of government -- Vote.
The question of the location of the temporary seat of government shall be submitted to a vote of the electors of the proposed state of South Dakota in same manner and at the same election at which this Constitution shall be submitted, and the place receiving the highest number of votes shall be the temporary seat of government until a permanent seat of government shall be established as hereinafter provided.

§2. Permanent seat of government -- Vote.
The Legislature at its first session after the admission of this state, shall provide for the submission of the question of a place for a permanent seat of government to the qualified voters of the state at the next general election thereafter, and that place which receives a majority of all the votes cast upon that question shall be the permanent seat of government.

§3. Election between two places with highest votes if majority vote not received.
Should no place voted for at said election have a majority of all votes cast upon this question, the Governor shall issue his proclamation for an election to be held in the same
manner at the next general election to choose between the two places having received the
highest number of votes cast at the first election on this question. This election shall be
conducted in the same manner as the first election for the permanent seat of government,
and the place receiving the majority of all votes cast upon this question shall be the
permanent seat of government.

Article XXI
Miscellaneous

§1. Seal and coat of arms.
The design of the great seal of South Dakota shall be as follows: A circle within which
shall appear in the left foreground a smelting furnace and other features of mining work.
In the left background a range of hills. In the right foreground a farmer at his plow. In the
right background a herd of cattle and a field of corn. Between the two parts thus
described shall appear a river bearing a steamboat. Properly divided between the upper
and lower edges of the circle shall appear the legend, "Under God the People Rule"
which shall be the motto of the state of South Dakota. Exterior to this circle and within a
circumscribed circle shall appear, in the upper part, the words, "State of South Dakota,"
in the lower part the words, "Great Seal," and the date in Arabic numerals of the year in
which the state shall be admitted to the union.

§2. Salary of constitutional officers.
The Legislature by two-thirds vote of each branch thereof at any regular session may fix
the salary of any or all constitutional officers including members of the Legislature. In
fixing any such salary the Legislature shall determine the effective date thereof and may
in its discretion decrease or increase the salary of any officer during his term.

§3. Oath of office.
Every person elected or appointed to any office in this state, except such inferior offices
as may be by law exempted, shall, before entering upon the duties thereof, take an oath or
affirmation to support the Constitution of the United States and
faithfully to discharge the duties of his office.

§4. Exemptions.
The right of the debtor to enjoy the comforts and necessaries of life shall be recognized
by wholesome laws exempting from forced sale a homestead, the value of which shall be
limited and defined by law, to all heads of families, and a reasonable amount of personal
property, the kind and value of which to be fixed by general laws.

§5. Rights of married women.
The real and personal property of any woman in this state, acquired before marriage, and
all property to which she may after marriage become in any manner rightfully entitled,
shall be her separate property, and shall not be liable for the debts of her husband.
§6. Drainage of agricultural lands.
The drainage of agricultural lands is hereby declared to be a public purpose and the Legislature may provide therefor, and may provide for the organization of drainage districts for the drainage of lands for any public use, and may vest the corporate authorities thereof, and the corporate authorities of counties, townships and municipalities, with power to construct levees, drains and ditches, and to keep in repair all drains, ditches and levees heretofore constructed under the laws of this state, by special assessments upon the property benefited thereby, according to benefits received.

The irrigation of agricultural lands is hereby declared to be a public purpose and the Legislature may provide for the organization of irrigation districts for the irrigation of land, and may vest the corporate authorities thereof and the corporate authorities of counties, townships and municipalities with the power to construct, operate and maintain irrigation dams, reservoirs, canals, flumes, ditches and laterals, and to keep in repair all irrigation dams, reservoirs, canals, flumes, ditches and laterals heretofore constructed, under the laws of the state, by special assessments upon the property benefited thereby, according to the benefits received.

§8. Hail insurance.
The providing of insurance against loss or damage to crops by hail is hereby declared to be a public purpose, and the Legislature is authorized and empowered to levy an assessment upon agricultural land for such purpose, with such exemptions as may be provided by law. The state may be divided into hail insurance districts and the assessment per acre in the different districts shall be as the Legislature may determine, but such assessment shall be uniform upon all land of the same district that is similarly situated. The assessment hereby authorized may be levied by the Legislature direct, or by the corporate authorities of the districts herein provided for, or by such other agency as may be authorized by general law.

Only marriage between a man and a woman shall be valid or recognized in South Dakota. The uniting of two or more persons in a civil union, domestic partnership, or other quasi-marital relationship shall not be valid or recognized in South Dakota.

Article XXII
Compact with the United States

The following article shall be irrevocable without the consent of the United States and the people of the state of South Dakota expressed by their legislative assembly:

First. That perfect toleration of religious sentiment shall be secured, and that no inhabitant of this state shall ever be molested in person or property on account of his or her mode of religious worship.

Second. That we, the people inhabiting the state of South Dakota, do agree and declare that we forever disclaim all right and title to the unappropriated public lands lying within
the boundary of South Dakota, and to all lands lying within said limits owned or held by any Indian or Indian tribes; and that until the title thereto shall have been extinguished by the United States, the same shall be and remain subject to the disposition of the United States; and said Indian lands shall remain under the absolute jurisdiction and control of the Congress of the United States; that the lands belonging to citizens of the United States residing without the said state shall never be taxed at a higher rate than the lands belonging to residents of this state; that no taxes shall be imposed by the state of South Dakota on lands or property therein belonging to or which may hereafter be purchased by the United States, or reserved for its use. But nothing herein shall preclude the state of South Dakota from taxing as other lands are taxed any lands owned or held by any Indian who has severed his tribal relation and has obtained from the United States, or from any person a title thereto by patent or other grant save and except such lands as have been or may be granted to any Indian or Indians under any act of Congress containing a provision exempting the lands thus granted from taxation. All such lands which may have been exempted by any grant or law of the United States, shall remain exempt to the extent, and as prescribed by such act of Congress.

Third. That the state of South Dakota shall assume and pay that portion of the debts and liabilities of the territory of Dakota as provided in this Constitution.

Fourth. That provision shall be made for the establishment and maintenance of systems of public schools, which shall be open to all the children of this state, and free from sectarian control.

Article XXIII
Amendments and Revisions of the Constitution

§1. Amendments.

Amendments to this Constitution may be proposed by initiative or by a majority vote of all members of each house of the Legislature. An amendment proposed by initiative shall require a petition signed by qualified voters equal in number to at least ten percent of the total votes cast for Governor in the last gubernatorial election. The petition containing the text of the proposed amendment and the names and addresses of its sponsors shall be filed at least one year before the next general election at which the proposed amendment is submitted to the voters. A proposed amendment may amend one or more articles and related subject matter in other articles as necessary to accomplish the objectives of the amendment.

§2. Revision.

A convention to revise this Constitution may be called by a three-fourths vote of all the members of each house. The calling of a constitutional convention may be initiated and submitted to the voters in the same manner as an amendment. If a majority of the voters voting thereon approve the calling of a convention, the Legislature shall provide for the holding thereof. Members of a convention shall be elected on a nonpolitical ballot in the same districts and in the same number as the House of Representatives. Proposed
amendments or revisions approved by a majority of all the members of the convention shall be submitted to the electorate at a special election in a manner to be determined by the convention.

§3. Ratification.
Any constitutional amendment or revision must be submitted to the voters and shall become a part of the Constitution only when approved by a majority of the votes cast thereon. The Legislature may provide for the withdrawal by its sponsors of an initiated amendment at any time prior to its submission to the voters.

Article XXIV
Prohibition (Repealed)

Article XXV
Minority Representation (Rejected)

Article XXVI
Schedule and Ordinance

§1. Continuation of prior writs, actions, claims, and bodies corporate -- Validation of previously issued process.
That no inconvenience may arise from the change of the territorial government to the permanent state government, it is hereby declared that all writs, actions, prosecutions, claims and rights of individuals, and all bodies corporate, shall continue as if no change had taken place in this government; and all process which may be before the organization of the judicial department, under this Constitution, issued under the authority of the territory of Dakota, within the boundary of this state, shall be as valid as if issued in the name of the state of South Dakota.

§2. Fines, forfeitures and escheats of territory to accrue to state.
That all fines, penalties, forfeitures and escheats accruing to the territory of Dakota, within the boundary of the state of South Dakota, shall accrue to the use of said state.

§3. Recognizances, bonds, obligations and undertakings -- Criminal prosecutions and penal actions.
That all recognizances, bonds, obligations or other undertakings, heretofore taken, or which may be taken before the organization of the judicial department under this Constitution, shall remain valid, and shall pass over to, and may be prosecuted in the name of the state of South Dakota; and all bonds, obligations or undertakings, executed to this territory, within the boundaries of the state of South Dakota, or to any officer in his official capacity, shall pass over to the proper state authority, and to their successors in
office, for the uses therein respectively expressed, and may be sued for and recovered accordingly.

All criminal prosecutions and penal actions, which have arisen, or which may arise before the organization of the judicial department under this Constitution, and which shall then be pending, may be prosecuted to judgment and executed in the name of the state.

§4. Civil and military officers.

All officers, civil and military, now holding their offices and appointments in this territory under the authority of the United States, or under the authority of the territory of Dakota, shall continue to hold and exercise their respective offices and appointments until superseded under this Constitution: provided, that the provisions of the above sections shall be subject to the provisions of the act of Congress providing for the admission of the state of South Dakota, approved by the president of the United States on February 22, 1889.

§5. Election of Constitution and state officers -- Ballots.

This Constitution shall be submitted for adoption or rejection to a vote of the electors qualified by the laws of this territory to vote at all elections, at the election to be held on Tuesday, October 1, 1889.

At the said election the ballots shall be in the following form:

For the Constitution: Yes.  No.

For prohibition: Yes.  No.

For minority representation: Yes.  No.

As a heading to each of said ballots shall be printed on each ballot the following instructions to voters:

All persons desiring to vote for the Constitution, or for any of the articles submitted to a separate vote, must erase the word "No."

All persons who desire to vote against the Constitution, or against any article submitted separately, must erase the word "Yes."

Any person may have printed or written on his ballot only the words "for the Constitution," or "against the Constitution," and such ballot shall be counted for or against the Constitution accordingly. The same provision shall apply to articles submitted separately.

In addition to the foregoing election for the Constitution and for the articles submitted by this convention for a separate vote thereon, an election shall be held at the same time and places, by the said qualified electors, for the following state officers, to be voted for on the same ballot as above provided for votes on the Constitution and separate articles, to wit:
A Governor, lieutenant governor, secretary of state, auditor, treasurer, attorney general, superintendent of public instruction, commissioner of school and public lands, judges of the Supreme, circuit and county Courts, representatives in Congress, state senators, and representatives in the Legislature.

All the elections above provided for shall be held in the same manner and form as provided for the election for the adoption or rejection of the Constitution. And the names of all the officers above specified to be voted for at such election shall be written or printed upon the same ballots as the vote for or against the Constitution.

The judges of election in counting the ballots voted at such election shall count all the affirmative ballots upon the Constitution as votes for the Constitution; and they shall count all the negative ballots voted at said election upon the Constitution as votes against the Constitution; and ballots voted at said election upon which neither of said words "yes" or "no" following the words "for the Constitution" are erased, shall not be counted upon such proposition. And they shall count all affirmative ballots so voted upon the article on prohibition separately submitted, as votes for such article, and they shall count all negative ballots so voted upon such article as votes against such article; and ballots upon which neither the words "yes" or "no" following the words "for prohibition" are erased, shall not be counted upon such proposition; and they shall count all the affirmative ballots so voted upon the article on minority representation, separately submitted, as votes for such article. And they shall count all negative ballots so voted upon such article as votes against such article; and ballots upon which neither of said words "yes" or "no" following the words "for minority representation" are erased, shall not be counted upon such proposition.

If it shall appear in accordance with the returns hereinafter provided for, that a majority of the votes polled at such election, for and against the Constitution, are for the Constitution, then this Constitution shall be the Constitution of the state of South Dakota. If it shall appear, according to the returns hereinafter provided for, that a majority of all votes cast at said election for and against "prohibition" are for prohibition then said article XIV shall be and form a part of this Constitution, and be in full force and effect as such from date of said election, but if a majority of said votes shall appear, according to said returns to be against prohibition, then article XXIV shall be null and void and shall not be a part of this Constitution. And if it appear, according to the returns hereinafter provided for, that a majority of all votes cast at said election for and against "minority representation" are for minority representation, then article XXV shall be and form a part of said Constitution, and be in full force and effect as such from the date of said election; but if a majority of said votes shall appear, according to said returns, to be against minority representation, then said article XXV shall be null and void and shall not be a part of this Constitution.

At such election the person voted for, for any one of the offices to be filled at such election, who shall receive the highest number of votes cast at said election, shall be declared elected to said office.


At the same time and places of election there shall be held by said qualified electors an election for the place of the temporary seat of government.
On each ballot, and on the same ballot on which are the matters voted for or against, as hereinbefore provided, shall be written or printed the words "for temporary seat of government." (Here insert the name of the city, town or place, to be voted for.)

And upon the canvass and return of the vote, made as hereinafter provided for, the name of the city, town or place which shall have received the largest number of votes for said temporary seat of government, shall be declared by the Governor, chief justice and secretary of the territory of Dakota, or by any two of them, at the same time that they shall canvass the vote for or against the Constitution, together with the whole number of votes cast for each city, town or place, and the officers above named, shall immediately after the result of said election shall have been ascertained, issue a proclamation directing the Legislature elected at said election to assemble at said city, town or place so selected, on the day fixed by this schedule and ordinance.

§7. Conduct of election.

The election provided for herein shall be under the provisions of the Constitution herewith submitted, and shall be conducted in all respects as elections are conducted under the general laws of the territory of Dakota, except as herein provided. No mere technicalities or informalities in the manner or form of election, or neglect of any officer to perform his duty with regard thereto, shall be deemed to vitiate or avoid the same, it being the true intent and object of this ordinance to ascertain and give effect to the true will of the people of the state of South Dakota, as expressed by their votes at the polls.

§8. Election returns.

Immediately after the election herein provided for, the judges of election at each voting place shall make a true and complete count of all the votes duly cast at such election, and shall certify and return the result of the same, with the names of all the candidates and the number of votes cast for each candidate, and the number of votes cast for and against the Constitution, and the number of votes cast for and against prohibition, and the number of votes cast for and against minority representation, and the number of votes cast for each city, town or place for the "temporary seat of government," to the county clerk, or auditor of the respective counties, together with one of the poll lists and election books used in said election.

§9. Canvass of vote -- Filing with county clerks or auditors.

Within five days after said election the several boards of county canvassers provided by law for the canvassing of the results of the election, shall make and certify to the secretary of the territory of Dakota the true and correct return of the total number of votes cast for the Constitution, and against the Constitution, of the number of votes cast for and against "prohibition," and the number of votes cast for and against "minority representation," and the number of votes cast for each city, town or place as the "temporary seat of government," and of the number of votes cast for each person voted for at such election, except county officers and members of the Legislature, and shall transmit the same to the secretary of the territory of Dakota, by mail, and shall file with the county clerk or auditor of each of said counties a duplicate and certified copy of said return.
Said board of county canvassers shall issue certificates of election to the persons who shall have received the highest number of votes cast for the respective offices of judge of the county court, and representatives in the Legislature, and for state senator or senators.

§10. Certification of senator or representative from multi -- county district.

When two or more counties are connected in one senatorial or representative district, it shall be the duty of the clerks and auditors of the respective counties to attend at the office of the county clerk of the senior county in the date of organization within twenty days after the date of election, and they shall compare the votes given in each county and in such district, and shall make and transmit to the secretary of the territory, a certificate of election in writing, or record, of the person having the highest number of votes for state senator or representative or both; which certificate shall be delivered to the person entitled thereto on his application to the clerk of the senior county of such district.

§11. Delivery of returns to proper state officer -- Certification to president -- Proclamation of election result -- Lists of elected officers -- Certificates of election.

The secretary of the territory shall receive all returns of election transmitted to him as above provided, and shall preserve the same, and after they have been canvassed as hereinafter provided, and after the admission of the state of South Dakota into the union, he shall deliver said returns to the proper state officer of said state of South Dakota.

Within fifteen days after said election the secretary of the territory, with the Governor and chief justice thereof, or any two of them, shall canvass such returns and certify the same to the president of the United States, as provided in the Enabling Act.

They shall also ascertain the total number of votes cast at such election for the Constitution and against the Constitution; the total number of votes cast for and against prohibition; and the total number of votes cast for and against minority representation; and the total number of votes cast for each city, town or place as the "temporary seat of government"; and the total number of votes cast for each person voted for, for any office at said election, excepting county judges and members of the Legislature, and shall declare the result of said election in conformity with such vote, and the Governor of the territory shall thereupon issue a proclamation at once thereof.

They shall also make and transmit to the state Legislature, immediately upon its organization, a list of all the state and judicial officers who shall thus be ascertained to be duly elected.

The various county and district canvassing boards shall make and transmit to the secretary of the territory the names of all persons declared by them to be elected members of the senate and house of representatives of the state of South Dakota; he shall make separate lists of the senators and representatives so elected, which list shall constitute the rolls under which the senate and house of representatives shall be organized.

The Governor of the territory shall make and issue certificates of election to the persons who are shown by the canvass to have received the highest number of votes for Governor, lieutenant governor, secretary of state, auditor, treasurer, attorney general, superintendent of public instruction, commissioner of school and public lands and judges
of the Supreme and circuit Courts. Such certificates to be attested by the secretary of the territory.

§12. Apportionment of state Legislature -- Number of senators and representatives initially elected.

The apportionment made in this Constitution shall govern the elections above provided for members of the state Legislature, until otherwise provided by law.

At the first election held under this ordinance for senators and representatives of the Legislature, there shall be elected forty-five senators and one hundred and twenty-four representatives in the state Legislature respectively.

§13. First assembly of Legislature -- Oaths of office.

The Legislature elected under the provisions of this ordinance and Constitution shall assemble at the temporary seat of government on the third Tuesday in October, in the year A. D. 1889, at 12 o'clock noon, and on the first day of their assemblage the Governor and other state officers shall take the oath of office in the presence of the Legislature. The oath of office shall be administered to the members of the Legislature and to the state officers by the chief justice of the territory, or by any other officer duly authorized by the laws of the territory of Dakota to administer oaths.


Immediately after the organization of the Legislature and taking the oath of office by the state officers, the Legislature shall then and there proceed to the election of two senators of the United States for the state of South Dakota, in the mode and manner provided by the laws of Congress for the election of United States senators. And the Governor and the secretary of the state of South Dakota shall certify the election of the said senators and two representatives in Congress, in the manner required by law.

§15. Adjournment after election of senators -- Next meeting.

Immediately after the election of the United States senators as above provided for, said Legislature shall adjourn to meet at the temporary seat of government on the first Tuesday after the first Monday of January, 1890, at 12 o'clock m.; provided, however, that if the state of South Dakota has not been admitted by proclamation or otherwise at said date, then said Legislature shall convene within ten days after the date of the admission of the state into the union.

§16. Legislature and officers to exercise necessary and authorized powers only pending admission of state into union.

Nothing in this Constitution or schedule contained shall be construed to authorize the Legislature to exercise any powers except such as are necessary to its first organization, and to elect United States senators, and to adjourn as above provided. Nor to authorize any officer of the executive, administrative or judiciary departments to exercise any duties of his office until the state of South Dakota shall have been regularly admitted into the union, accepting such as may be authorized by the Congress of the United States.
§17. Validity of ordinances and schedule.
The ordinances and schedule enacted by this convention shall be held to be valid for all the purposes thereof.

That we, the people of the state of South Dakota, do ordain:

First. That perfect toleration of religious sentiment shall be secured, and that no inhabitant of this state shall ever be molested in person or property on account of his or her mode of religious worship.

Second. That we, the people inhabiting the state of South Dakota, do agree and declare, that we forever disclaim all right and title to the unappropriated public lands lying within the boundaries of South Dakota; and to all lands lying within said limits owned or held by any Indian or Indian tribes, and that until the title thereto shall have been extinguished by the United States the same shall be and remain subject to the disposition of the United States, and said Indian lands shall remain under the absolute jurisdiction and control of the Congress of the United States; that the lands belonging to citizens of the United States residing without the said state, shall never be taxed at a higher rate than the lands belonging to residents of this state. That no taxes shall be imposed by the state of South Dakota on lands or property therein belonging to or which may hereafter be purchased by the United States, or reserved for its use. But nothing herein shall preclude the state of South Dakota from taxing as other lands are taxed any lands owned or held by any Indian who has severed his tribal relation and has obtained from the United States, or from any person a title thereto by patent or other grant save and except such lands as have been, or may be granted to any Indian or Indians under any act of Congress containing a provision exempting the lands thus granted from taxation, all such lands which may have been exempted by any grant or law of the United States, shall remain exempt to the extent, and as prescribed by such act of Congress.

Third. That the state of South Dakota shall assume and pay that portion of the debts and liabilities of the territory of Dakota as provided in this Constitution.

Fourth. That provision shall be made for the establishment and maintenance of systems of public schools, which shall be open to all the children of this state, and free from sectarian control.

Fifth. That jurisdiction is ceded to the United States over the military reservations of Fort Meade, Fort Randall and Fort Sully, heretofore declared by the president of the United States: provided legal process, civil and criminal, of this state shall extend over such reservations, in all cases of which exclusive jurisdiction is not vested in the United States, or of crimes not committed within the limits of such reservations.

These ordinances shall be irrevocable without the consent of the United States, and also the people of the said state of South Dakota, expressed by their legislative assembly.
§19. Tenure of elected officers.

The tenure of all officers, whose election is provided for in this schedule, on the first day of October, A. D. 1889, shall be as follows:

The Governor, lieutenant governor, secretary of state, auditor, treasurer, attorney general, superintendent of public instruction, commissioner of school and public lands, judges of county courts, shall hold their respective offices until the first Tuesday, after the first Monday, in January, A. D. 1891, at twelve o'clock m., and until their successors are elected and qualified.

The judges of the Supreme Court and circuit courts shall hold their offices until the first Tuesday, after the first Monday, in January, A. D. 1894, at twelve o'clock m., and until their successors are elected and qualified; subject to the provisions of § 26 of article V of the Constitution.

The terms of office of the members of the Legislature, elected at the first election held under the provisions of this Constitution, shall expire on the first Tuesday, after the first Monday, in January, 1891.

§20. Time of general election.

That the first general election under the provisions of this Constitution shall be held on the first Tuesday after the first Monday in November, 1890, and every two years thereafter.

§21. Form of ballot.

The following form of ballot is adopted:

Constitutional Ticket

INSTRUCTIONS TO VOTERS

All persons desiring to vote for the Constitution, or for any of the articles submitted to a separate vote, may erase the word "No."

All persons who desire to vote against the Constitution, or any articles separately submitted may erase the word "Yes."

For the Constitution: Yes. No.
For Prohibition: Yes. No.
For Minority Representation: Yes. No.
For ____ as the temporary seat of government.

For Governor.

For Lieutenant Governor.
§22. Enrollment of Constitution -- Delivery to secretary of state -- Inclusion in state laws -- Copy to president of United States.

This Constitution shall be enrolled and after adoption and signing by the convention shall be delivered to Hon. A. J. Edgerton, the president of the constitutional convention, for safekeeping, and by him to be delivered to the secretary of state as soon as he assumes the duties of his office, and printed copies thereof shall be prefixed to the books containing the laws of the state and all future editions thereof.
The president of this convention shall also supervise the making of the copy that must be
sent to the president of the United States; said copy is to be certified by the president and
chief clerk of this convention.

§23. Agreement by joint commission concerning territorial records, books,
and archives.

The agreement made by the joint commission of the constitutional conventions of North
and South Dakota concerning the records, books, and archives of the territory of Dakota
is hereby ratified and confirmed, which agreement is in the words following: That is to
say:

The following books, records and archives of the territory of Dakota shall be the property
of North Dakota, to wit:

All records, books and archives in the offices of the Governor and secretary of the
territory (except records of articles of incorporation of domestic corporations, returns of
election of delegates to the constitutional convention of 1889, for South Dakota, returns
of elections held under the so-called local option law in counties within the limits of
South Dakota, bonds of notaries public appointed for counties within the limits of South
Dakota, papers relating to the organization of counties situate within the limits of South
Dakota, all of which records and archives are a part of the records and archives of said
secretary's office; excepting also census returns from counties situate within the limits of
South Dakota and papers relating to requisitions issued upon the application of officers of
counties situate within the limits of South Dakota, all which are part of the records and
archives of said Governor's office.)

And the following records, books and archives shall also be the property of the state of
North Dakota, to wit:

Vouchers in the office or in the custody of the auditor of this territory relating to
expenditures on account of public institutions, grounds or buildings situate within the
limits of North Dakota; one warrant register in the office of the treasurer of this territory,
being a record of warrants issued under and by virtue of chapter twenty-four of the laws
enacted by the eighteenth legislative assembly of Dakota territory; all letters, receipts and
vouchers in the same office now filed by counties and pertaining to counties within the
limits of North Dakota; paid and canceled coupons in the same office representing
interest on bonds which said state of North Dakota is to assume and pay; reports of gross
earnings of the year 1888 in the same office, made by corporations operating lines of
railroad situated wholly or mainly within the limits of North Dakota; records and papers
of the office of the public examiner of the second district of the territory; records and
papers of the office of the second district board of agriculture; records and papers in the
office of the board of pharmacy of the district of North Dakota.

All records, books and archives of the territory of Dakota which it is not herein agreed
shall be the property of North Dakota, shall be the property of South Dakota.

The following books shall be copied and the copies shall be the property of North
Dakota, and the cost of such copies shall be borne equally by the said states of North
Dakota and South Dakota. That is to say:
Appropriation ledger for the years ending November, 1889 and 1890 -- one volume.

The current warrant auditor's register -- one volume.

Insurance record for 1889 -- one volume.

Treasurer's cash book "D."

Assessment ledger "B."

Dakota territory bond register -- one volume.

Treasurer's current ledger -- one volume.

The originals of the foregoing volumes which are to be copied, shall at any time after such copying shall have been completed, be delivered on demand to the proper authorities of the state of South Dakota.

All other records, books and archives which it is hereby agreed shall be the property of South Dakota shall remain at the capital of North Dakota until demanded by the Legislature of the state of South Dakota, and until the state of North Dakota shall have had a reasonable time after such demand is made to provide copies or abstracts or such portions thereof as the said state of North Dakota may desire to have copies or abstracts of.

The state of South Dakota may also provide copies or abstracts of such records, books and archives which is agreed shall be the property of North Dakota as said state of South Dakota shall desire to have copies or abstracts of.

The expense of all copies or abstracts of records, books and archives which it is herein agreed may be made, shall be borne equally by said two states.

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Article XXVIII
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§1. School and governmental bonds -- Farm loans.

The several counties of the state shall invest the moneys of the permanent school and endowment funds in bonds of school corporations, state, county and municipal bonds or in first mortgages upon good improved farm lands within their limits respectively, under such regulations as the Legislature may provide, but no farm loan shall exceed one thousand dollars to any one person, firm or corporation.
Article XXIX
State Elevators, Warehouses, Flouring Mills and Packing Houses

§1. Provision for elevators and warehouses -- Marketing of agricultural products -- Flouring mills and packing houses.

The Legislature may provide by law and appropriate money for the purchase or construction and operation of elevators and warehouses, within or without the state, for the marketing of agricultural products; and provided, further, that the Legislature may provide by law and appropriate money to buy or construct and operate flouring mills and packing houses within the state, if, in the future, and in the judgment of the Legislature, the public necessities may so require.
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and
State Emblems

Great Seal of the State of South Dakota
The design of the Great Seal of South Dakota is provided for in Article XXI of the State Constitution. It bears the motto “Under God the People Rule” and the year in which the state was admitted to the Union, 1889. The seal serves as a symbol of life in South Dakota. The plowman and the field of corn symbolize farming; the smelting furnace depicts the mining industry; the cattle feeding on the plain represent ranching and dairying; the steamboat designates transportation and commerce; the trees indicate lumbering; the building portrays manufacturing; the river denotes the Missouri River; and the hills in the background identify the Black Hills.

The color interpretation of the Great Seal was not standardized until a Mitchell, SD, artist, Richard Cropp, designed the official color version in magic marker as the basis for all reproductions. This version was later revised by John Moisan from Fort Pierre, who was commissioned by Governor Bill Janklow in 1986, to create an official painted version from which all future replications are now based.

The State Seal is not public domain. Permission must be granted by the Secretary of State, the Custodian of the Seal, for its use. This was enacted by the legislature to protect the image of the state seal and to ensure its tasteful and respectful display.

State Flag and Pledge
The South Dakota flag features the state seal surrounded by a golden blazing sun in a field of sky blue. Letters reading “South Dakota, The Mount Rushmore State” – the official state nickname at the time are arranged in a circle around the sun.

South Dakota had no official state flag until 1909. As recounted in Wiyohi Bulletin, Volume II, November 1, 1948: “In 1909 Senator Ernest May of Deadwood came into the Historical Society office. Seth Bullock wanted a state flag. May asked Doane Robinson about it and was told by Robinson that Ida Anding, now Mrs. McNeil, former operator of KGFX radio of Pierre, who was then a stenographer in the
Historical offices, would design him a flag. She did. It was a blazing sun, on an azure (blue) background. May liked the design, Senate Bill 208 was introduced. Later on the floor, he moved that ‘on the reverse of the blazing sun shall appear the Great Seal of the State of South Dakota in dark blue.’ This was adopted and the bill passed. Money to buy two flags was appropriated. One went to the Secretary of State, and Seth Bullock of Camp No. 1, United Spanish Veterans of South Dakota, got the other.”

The state flag was then designed by Ida M. Anding, legislative librarian, in 1909, according to the following specifications: “The Flag of South Dakota shall consist of a field of blue, one and two-thirds as long as it is wide, in the center of which shall be a blazing sun in gold, two-fifths as wide in diameter as the width of the flag. Above this sun shall be arranged in the arc of the circle, in gold letters, the words ‘South Dakota’ and below this sun in the arc of the circle shall be arranged the words in gold letters, ‘The Sunshine State’, and on the reverse of the blazing sun shall be printed in dark blue the Great Seal of the State of South Dakota. The edges of the flag shall be trimmed with a fringe of gold, to be in proportion to the width of the flag. The staff shall be surmounted by a spearhead to which shall be attached cord and tassels of suitable length and size.”

This was the only official state flag until the year 1963. It became increasingly evident by this time that the cost to manufacture a flag with a different emblem on each side was expensive to the degree that there were few South Dakota state flags in existence, and they were seldom flown. In the legislature of 1963, House Bill 503 was introduced by Representative William Sahr of Hughes County, was enacted and approved by the Governor on March 11, 1963.

It appears this was a wise decision as the cost of the South Dakota state flag was greatly reduced, and more requests for the state flags were made than ever before. In 1992, a measure sponsored by State Representative Gordon Pederson of Pennington County, South Dakota, changed the wording on the flag to read “The Mount Rushmore State”. Codified law now reads as follows:

§1-6-4. State flag - Description.

The state flag or banner shall consist of a field of sky-blue one and two-thirds as long as it is wide. Centered on such field shall be the great seal of South Dakota made in conformity with the terms of the Constitution, which shall be four-ninths, the width of the flag in diameter. The seal shall be on a white background with the seal outlined in dark blue or, in the alternative, shall be on a sky-blue background with the seal outlined in dark blue thereon. Surrounding the seal in gold shall be a serrated sun whose extreme width shall be five-ninths the width of the flag. The words “South Dakota” symmetrically arranged to conform to the circle of the sun and seal shall appear in gold letters one-eighteenth the width of the field above the sun and seal and the words “The Mount Rushmore State” in like-sized gold letters and in like arrangement shall appear below the sun and seal. Flags designed of such material as may be provident for outdoor use need have no fringe but flags for indoor and display usage shall have a golden fringe one-eighth the width of the flag on the three sides other than the hoist.
The official pledge to the state flag is:

“I pledge loyalty and support to the flag and state of South Dakota, land of sunshine, land of infinite variety.”

The pledge to the flag and to the state may not preempt, replace, or be recited before the pledge of allegiance to the flag of the United States.

State Song – "Hail South Dakota"
The official state song was adopted in 1943. It is a marching song, composed by Deecort Hammitt.
HAIL! SOUTH DAKOTA

A Great State of the Land

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makes her grand;
She has her
of the west;
Home of the

Black Hills, And mines with gold so rare,
and lands, And Rushmore's age-less shrine,

And with her scenery,
To South Dakota,
Black Hills and prairies,
(Hills, farms and prairies,

No state can compare,
We all welcome you.
Farm land and Sun,
Blessed with bright Sun,

QUARTETTE, MIXED VOICES AND
SAND ARRANGEMENTS AVAILABLE

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State Animal — Coyote (*canis latrans*)
Named the state animal in 1949, this natural and adaptable predator of small game and rodents, hunts the open prairies and fields over the entire state. The coyote occurs in greatest numbers along the Missouri River, its tributaries, and in the Black Hills.

State Bird — Ring–Neck Pheasant (*phasianus colchicus*)
The state bird was introduced to South Dakota in 1898. Easily recognized by its colorful plumage, the pheasant is also known for its delicious meat. Since it is primarily a midwestern bird, pheasant is considered a delicacy in many states. The pheasant officially earned the state bird designation in 1943.

State Soil — Houdek Soil
Houdek was designated the state soil in 1990. According to the United States Department of Agriculture:

*Houdek soil, a deep, well drained, loamy soil, represents many soils formed in South Dakota under the influence of prairie grass. The surface layer is dark colored from decayed plants and other material that has been deposited over thousands of years.*

*Houdek soil is of major economic importance to South Dakota because the productive Houdek soils are often used for cropland and rangeland. Small grains, corn, sunflowers, and soybeans are commonly grown crops. Alfalfa and grass–alfalfa mixtures provide hay and pasture for grazing livestock. Large areas of Houdek soil are in native range. Crops and grasses grown on the Houdek soil also provide habitat for wildlife.*
State Drink – Milk (*lac vacuum*)
Milk was adopted as the official state drink in 1986.

State Insect – Honey Bee (*apis mellifera L*)
South Dakota is a leader in honey production. In recognition of its importance to the state’s farm economy, the honey bee was adopted as the state insect in 1978. The state’s mild, clear, clover honey is often shipped out-of-state to be blended with darker honey.

State Fossil - Triceratops
A horned dinosaur of the late Cretaceous period (about 66 to 68 million years ago) is the state fossil. The Triceratops was a herbivorous caratopsid (quadrupedal), who may have used its horns and frill for combat or display in courtship. Discovered in Harding County in 1927, the skeleton is now on display in the Museum of Geology in Rapid City.
State Seal and State Emblems

State Flower – American Pasque
Also called the May Day flower, the pasque grows wild throughout the state. In 1903, South Dakota law set forth that “the floral emblem of this state shall be the American pasque flower (pulsatilla hirsutissima) with the motto ‘I lead.’” South Dakota is the only state which has an emblem with a motto instead of simply a flower.

The blooming of this five petal, lavender flower is one of the first signs of spring in South Dakota. The pasque is a member of the anemone family.

State Grass – Western Wheat
(agropyron smithii)
This variety of wheat is a common grass of South Dakota. It is grown primarily as feed for livestock and harvested for its seed. Western wheat was named the state grass in 1970.

State Jewelry – Black Hills Gold
The state jewelry was designated in 1988. This beautiful jewelry is created and manufactured exclusively in the Black Hills. Each design incorporates the motif of grapes and leaves in tricolor combinations of green, rose, and yellow gold.
State Gemstone – Fairburn Agate
This semiprecious stone was first discovered near Fairburn, South Dakota. Found primarily in an area extending from Orellia, Nebraska, to Farmingdale, South Dakota, it is used in jewelry and is a favorite of rock collectors. This designation was made in 1966.

State Mineral – Rose Quartz
This pink colored quartz was discovered near Custer, South Dakota, in the 1880s. It is mined in the southern Black Hills and is used primarily for ornaments and jewelry. This designation was made in 1966.

State Nickname – The Mount Rushmore State
The state nickname became official in 1992. Before that South Dakota was known as the "Sunshine State" or the "Coyote State."
State Fish – Walleye (*stizostedion vitreum*)
Designated as the state fish in 1992, the walleye is the fish most sought after by South Dakota anglers, not only because it is one of the most challenging adversaries, but because of its delicious and delicate taste. Found in lakes and rivers across the state, walleyes are most common in the Missouri River system and in the glacial lakes area of northeastern South Dakota. The Museum of Wildlife, Science, and Industry, located in the city of Webster, is designated as the site of the official State Fishing Museum.

State Musical Instrument – Fiddle
The fiddle was designated the official state musical instrument in 1989. Wilbur Foss, a Scotland native, organized the South Dakota Old Time Fiddlers Association. The association has been in existence for over thirty years.

State Tree – Black Hills Spruce
(*picea glauca densata*)
The Black Hills Spruce, named in 1947 as the state tree, is a member of the evergreen family. The pyramid shaped tree is characterized by dense foliage of short, blue–green needles and slender cones.
State Dessert – Kuchen

This quintessential German Russian pastry is a sweet dough crust filled with custard, which is served plain or studded with fruit, such as prunes, peaches, blueberries, and apples. Kuchen was designated as the official state dessert in 2000.

Try this recipe for Apple Kuchen and taste for yourself!

For the crust:
2 cups flour  
½ cup sugar  
¼ teaspoon kosher salt  
½ teaspoon vanilla extract  
½ pound (2 sticks) unsalted butter, cold and cut into pieces

For the filling:
1 pound cream cheese, at room temperature  
¾ cup sugar  
1 teaspoon vanilla extract  
1 egg, at room temperature

For the topping:
2 tablespoons sugar  
1½ teaspoons ground cinnamon  
3 Granny Smith apples, peeled, if desired, cored, and thinly sliced

Preheat the oven to 450 degrees. Lightly grease and flour a 9x13 inch pan.

Place the flour, sugar, and salt in a large bowl or food processor (fitted with a steel blade) and mix to combine. Add the vanilla and butter, a little at a time. Press into the baking pan and bake in oven until slightly golden but not brown, about 12 to 15 minutes. Cool.

Lower the oven temperature to 350 degrees.

To make the filling, mix the cream cheese, sugar, and vanilla in mixer (preferably with a paddle) and beat until creamy. Add the egg. Mix to combine and pour over the cooled crust.

Place the sugar and cinnamon in a small bowl and mix to combine. Place the fruit on top of the filling in two or three columns. Sprinkle with the cinnamon sugar and transfer to the oven. Bake about 30 to 40 minutes until golden brown and firm. Cut into 20 to 24 pieces.
State Sport – Rodeo
Rodeo became the official sport of the State of South Dakota in 2003.

State Bread – Fry Bread
With House Bill 1205, the 2005 Legislature designated fry bread as the official bread of South Dakota.
State Hall of Fame

The South Dakota Hall of Fame is a nonprofit, governmental organization, recognizing South Dakotans who have contributed to our State’s progress, forged our way of life, and shaped our values. The Hall of Fame honors those who built our great state and those who continue to contribute to future developments. It is dedicated exclusively to the preservation and extension of our state’s heritage.

The Hall of Fame was established in 1974, and was originally located in Fort Pierre. The State Legislature officially recognized the South Dakota Hall of Fame in 1996. The doors opened at its permanent location in Chamberlain on June 3, 2000.

Each year the South Dakota Hall of Fame hosts an induction ceremony, during which 15 individuals may be inducted into one of the following Categories of Recognition:

- Agricultural Industry
- Arts and Humanities
- Athletics
- Business Trade
- Communications
- Education and Cultural Affairs
- Governmental Affairs
- Historical
- Indian Heritage
- Military Affairs
- Professional
- Professional Cowboy
- Religion
- Transportation
- Unsung Heroes and Good Hearts
The South Dakota Hall of Fame inductees for 2013 were:

- Miles Beacom, Professional, Sioux Falls
- Ruth Brennan, Arts and Entertainment, Rapid City
- Bernard Christenson, Professional, Britton
- Shirley Halleen, General, Sioux Falls
- William "Bill" Janklow, General, Sioux Falls
- Dennis Knutson, Professional, Sioux Falls
- Pat Lebrun, General, Rapid City
- Thomas Louis Lillibridge, Professional, Bonesteel
- Jerry Shoener, General, Rapid City
- Charles "Chuck" Trimble, Historical, Wanblee

The South Dakota Hall of Fame inductees for 2014 were:

- Richard Adee, Agriculture, Bruce
- Fred Cozad, Professional, Bennett County
- James Emery, Historical, Rapid City
- Kay Jorgensen, General, Winner
- Donald Montileaux, Arts and Entertainment, Pine Ridge Indian Reservation
- Milton G. Mutch, Professional, Sioux Falls
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Date of Birth: January 7, 1961, Murdo, South Dakota
Married: Kimberley Weems
Children: Brittany and Larissa

John Thune grew up in Murdo, South Dakota. John received his undergraduate degree at Biola University and his Master’s degree in Business Administration from the University of South Dakota. Upon completion of his Master’s Degree in 1984, he married Kimberley Weems, a native of Doland, South Dakota.

John’s attraction to public service took him to Washington, D.C., to work for U.S. Senator Jim Abdnor. He then served at the Small Business Administration under an appointment from President Ronald Reagan. In 1989, John and his family returned to South Dakota, where he served as the Executive Director of the South Dakota Republican Party. In 1991, Governor George S. Mickelson appointed him the State Railroad Director, a position he held until 1993, when he became Executive Director of the South Dakota Municipal League.

In 1996, with a shoestring budget and the support of family and friends, John won his first term as South Dakota’s lone member of the U.S. House of Representatives. John was reelected to a second term by the largest margin in South Dakota history. He returned again to Washington in 2001 to serve his third term in the House.

John then honored his 1996 campaign pledge to serve only three terms in the U.S. House of Representatives. After a narrow loss in a U.S. Senate race in 2002, he won his current U.S. Senate seat in 2004, when he made history by defeating a sitting U.S. Senate party leader for the first time in 52 years.

In 2010, John was elected to serve a second term in the U.S. Senate in a rare unopposed race. He was only the third Republican and the only South Dakotan to run unopposed for the U.S. Senate since direct elections were created in 1913.

For the 114th Congress, Senator Thune serves on the Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry Committee; the Commerce, Science, and Transportation Committee; and the Finance Committee. Thune, who is the senior most Republican on the Commerce, Science, and Transportation Committee, serves as Chairman. Thune also served in Republican leadership as Chairman of the Senate Republican Policy Committee from 2009 – 2011 and now serves as the Chairman of the Senate Republican Conference, the number three position in Senate Republican leadership.

John and his wife Kimberley live in Sioux Falls, South Dakota. They have two grown daughters, Brittany (married to Luke Lindberg) and Larissa (married to Scott Hargens). In his free time, John enjoys spending time with his family, pheasant hunting, and running.
Senator M. Michael Rounds
M. Michael Rounds
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Date of Birth: October 24, 1954, Huron, South Dakota
Married: Jean Rounds
Children: Brian, Carrie, Christopher, and John

A lifelong South Dakotan, Senator Rounds was born in Huron, the eldest of 11 siblings. He earned a bachelor’s degree in political science from South Dakota State University. In the private sector, Rounds built a successful insurance and real estate business with offices throughout the state. He and his wife, Jean, currently reside in Fort Pierre. They are the proud parents of four grown children and eight grandchildren.

Rounds previously served as the 31st governor of South Dakota from 2003 – 2011, easily winning reelection in 2006. From 1991 to 2000, he was elected five times to the South Dakota State Senate. In 1995, his colleagues selected him to serve as Senate Majority Leader, a position that he held for six years. During his time in state government, Rounds was committed to growing the economy, keeping taxes low, and strengthening South Dakota families.

On January 6th, 2015, Senator Marion Michael “Mike” Rounds was sworn into the United States Senate. Senator Rounds serves on four committees: Senate Armed Services; Banking, Housing and Urban Affairs; Veterans’ Affairs; and Environment and Public Works.
Congresswoman Kristi Noem
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United States Representative

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Date of Birth: November 30, 1971, Watertown, South Dakota
Married: Bryon Noem
Children: Kassidy, Kennedy and Booker

U.S. Representative, Kristi Noem, is a wife, a mother, and an experienced rancher, farmer, and small business owner. Kristi was born and raised in rural Hamlin County in northeastern South Dakota and still lives there today with her husband, Bryon, and their three children, Kassidy, Kennedy, and Booker.

Kristi learned the value of hard work early in life from her father. He put Kristi, her sister, and two brothers to work on the family farm at a young age, caring for the cattle and horses and helping with planting and harvest. After graduating from high school, Kristi began to pursue her college degree. When her father died unexpectedly in a farming accident, Kristi returned to the family farm and ranch full-time. Kristi’s work on the farm and ranch did not go unnoticed. In 1997, she received the South Dakota Outstanding Young Farmer award and she was honored with the South Dakota Young Leader award in 2003.

Kristi’s service includes the South Dakota State Farm Agency State Committee, the Commission for Agriculture in the 21st Century, the South Dakota Soybean Association, and numerous other boards and committees. In the fall of 2006, Kristi was elected as the 6th District Representative to the South Dakota House of Representatives. Kristi quickly realized she could serve her district and the State of South Dakota more effectively in a leadership position. In her second term, she earned the position of Assistant Majority Leader in the State House, where she served until 2010.

Kristi was first elected to serve as South Dakota’s lone Member of the U.S. House of Representatives in 2010.

While keeping up with her Congressional duties in Washington, D.C., and work with constituents in South Dakota, Kristi continued to take undergraduate courses from South Dakota State University. In December 2011, Kristi graduated from SDSU with her Bachelor of Arts degree in Political Science.

Kristi was re-elected to a third term in the U.S. House of Representatives in 2014. She currently serves on the House Ways and Means Committee, which is largely regarded as the most powerful committee in Congress. The Ways and Means Committee has jurisdiction over all tax, trade, and economic growth policies.

Kristi enjoys helping her children compete in rodeo and 4-H. She has been a 4-H leader for more than a decade. Kristi is also an avid hunter. She particularly enjoys pheasant hunting on the homestead and archery elk hunting with her brothers.
Former Members of Congress
Dakota Territory Delegates

John B.S. Todd, D ……… 1862 – 1865
William Jayne, R ……… 1863
Walter A. Burleigh, R ……… 1865 – 1869
S.L. Spink, R ……… 1869 – 1871
M.K. Armstrong, D ……… 1871 – 1875
J.P. Kidder, R ……… 1875 – 1879
G.G. Bennett, R ……… 1879 – 1881
R.F. Pettigrew, R ……… 1881 – 1883
J.B. Raymond, R ……… 1883 – 1885
Oscar S. Gifford, R ……… 1885 – 1889
George A. Matthews, R ……… 1889

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Gideon C. Moody, R ……… 1889 – 1891
R.F. Pettigrew, R ……… 1889 – 1901
James H. Kyle, DP ……… 1891 – 1901
d
Robert J. Gamble, R ……… 1901 – 1913
Alfred B. Kittredge, R ……… 1901 – 1909
Coe I. Crawford, R ……… 1909 – 1915
Thomas Sterling, R ……… 1913 – 1925
Edwin S. Johnson, D ……… 1915 – 1921
Peter Norbeck, R ……… 1921 – 1936
William H. McMaster, R ……… 1925 – 1931
William J. Bulow, D ……… 1931 – 1943
Herbert Hitchcock, D ……… 1936 – 1938
Gladys Pyle, R ……… 1938 – 1939
Chan Gurney, R ……… 1939 – 1951
Tommy Smith, D ……… 1939 – 1947
M. Keir Johnson, D ……… 1947 – 1951
Harlan J. Bushfield, R ……… 1943 – 1948
Mrs. Vera C. Bushfield, R ……… 1948 – 1949
Karl E. Mundt, R ……… 1949 – 1973
Francis H. Case, R ……… 1951 – 1962
Joseph H. Bottom, R ……… 1962 – 1963
James Abourezk, D ……… 1973 – 1979
Larry Pressler, R ……… 1979 – 1997
James Abdnor, R ……… 1981 – 1987
Thomas A. Daschle, D ……… 1987 – 2005
Tim Johnson, D ……… 1997 – 2014
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Michael Rounds, R ……… 2015 –

U.S. Representatives

Oscar S. Gifford, R ……… AL 1889 – 1891
John A. Pickler, R ……… AL 1889 – 1897
John R. Gamble, R ……… AL 1891
John L. Jolley, R ……… AL 1891 – 1893
William V. Lucas, R ……… AL 1893 – 1895
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E.Y. Berry, R ……… 2 1951 – 1971
George S. McGovern, D ……… 1 1957 – 1961
Ben Reifel, R ……… 1 1961 – 1971
James Abourezk, D ……… 2 1971 – 1973
Frank E. Denholm, D ……… 1 1971 – 1975
Larry Pressler, R ……… 1 1975 – 1979
Thomas A. Daschle, D 1, AL … 1979 – 1987
Clint Roberts, R ……… 2 1981 – 1983
Tim Johnson, D ……… AL 1987 – 1997
John Thune, R ……… AL 1997 – 2003
William J. Janklow, R ……… AL 2003 – 2004
Stephanie Herseth, D ……… AL 2004 – 2010
Kristi Noem, R ……… AL 2011 –
a. Territorial Delegates were popularly elected to represent the territory in the U.S. Congress. Delegates did not have a vote, but could participate in debate.
b. William Jayne opposed John B.S. Todd for reelection in 1862. Jayne was given the certificate of election, but Todd successfully contested the election in the House of Representatives and retained his seat.
c. George A. Mathews was elected to Congress in November 1888, for a term beginning March 4, 1889; however, Congress did not convene until the following December, after South Dakota was admitted to the Union. Consequently, Mathews was never sworn in.
d. James H. Kyle died July 1, 1901.
e. Alfred B. Kittredge appointed to fill vacancy by death of J. H. Kyle and was elected January 21, 1903, for term ending March 3, 1909.
f. Amendment 17 of the U.S. Constitution provided for the direct, popular election of U.S. Senators. Prior to its ratification, the State Legislatures selected the U.S. Senators. Edwin S. Johnson was the first U.S. Senator to be elected in South Dakota by a direct vote of the people on November 3, 1914.
g. Peter Norbeck died December 20, 1936. Herbert Hitchcock was appointed to complete his term until the election of November, 1938.
h. Harlan J. Bushfield died September 7, 1948. Mrs. Bushfield was appointed to complete the term.
i. When South Dakota entered the Union in 1889, the state was entitled to two representatives in Congress. They were elected at large by the people. From 1913 to 1933, the state was allotted three representatives who were elected to represent specific districts in the state. From 1933 to 1983, South Dakota was allotted two representatives. The boundaries of those two congressional districts were adjusted periodically to reflect population changes. In the 1982 election, South Dakotans elected only one Congressman to represent the state at large.
k. Stephanie Herseth was elected in a special congressional election on June 1, 2004. She took office on June 3, 2004.
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Gary L. Cammack (R) District 29
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Bob Ewing (R) District 31
Scott Fiegen (R) District 25

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Jenna Haggar (R) District 10

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Troy Heinert (D) District 26

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Phil Jensen (R) District 33

Dan Lederman (R) District 16

Jeff Monroe (R) District 24
Betty Olson (R) District 28

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David Omdahl (R) District 11
Ernie Otten (R) District 6

Scott Parsley (D) District 8

Deb Peters (R) District 9
Jim Peterson (D) District 4

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Email: Sen.Soholt@state.sd.us. Counties: Minnehaha. Address: 2628 E. Regency Ct., Sioux Falls, SD 57103. Date of Birth: January 29, 1956. Spouse: Jerry. Children: Josh, Sam, and Molly. Religion: Lutheran. Education: University of North Dakota, Bachelor of Science in Nursing; South Dakota State University, Masters of Science in Nursing. Occupation: Registered Nurse. Experience: Director of Women’s Health, Avera Medical Group, Present; over 30 years leadership roles in healthcare; community roles of South Dakota Board of Nursing, 3 years as President; Board of Directors and President, South Dakota Nurses Association; National non-profit Women in Balance Board of Directors, Sioux Falls Area Chamber Board of Directors; SDSU Foundation Council of Trustees and Co-Host of House Calls – a SDPB weekly healthy information radio show. Legislative Experience: State Senator, 2013 – Present; Senate Majority Whip; Domestic Abuse Summer Study (Chair); Jolene’s Law Task Force (Chair); Governor’s Blue Ribbon Education Funding Task Force(Chair); Early Learning Fellow, National Conference of State Legislatures; selected for Bowhay Institute for Legislative Leadership Development and Council of State Governments Midwest. Committees: Education (Chair), State Affairs, and Legislative Procedure.

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Billie H. Sutton (D) District 21
Larry Tidemann (R) District 7  
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**Mike Vehle (R) District 20**

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Members of the House

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Julie Bartling (D) District 21

Arch Beal (R) District 12
Jim Bolin (R) District 16

Shawn Bordeaux (D) District 26A

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Blaine “Chip” Campbell (R) District 35

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Paula Hawks (D) District 9

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Dr. Leslie J. Heinemann (R) District 8
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Steve Hickey (R) District 9

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Roger W. Hunt (R) District 25

Alex P. Jensen (R) District 12

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J. Sam Marty (R) District 28B

Elizabeth May (R) District 27

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Email: Rep.Mickelson@state.sd.us. Counties: Lincoln and Minnehaha. Address: 101 N. Main Ave., Suite 321, Sioux Falls, SD 57105. Spouse: Cynthia. Children: George, David, and Charlie. Religion: Catholic. Education: University of South Dakota, Accounting, Law; Harvard. Occupation: Self-employed – Mickelson & Company. Experience: Self Employed, Mickelson and Company; railroad and industrial project financing work; Member, Rotary; Past Chair, of Sioux Falls Development Foundation; Past Board Member, State Board of Economic Development; Past Board and Chair, South Dakota Community Foundation; Former Board Member, USD Foundation; Member, Pheasants Forever; Life Sponsor, Ducks Unlimited. Legislative Experience: 2013 – Present. Committees: Judiciary (Chair), Legislative Procedure (Vice Chair), and State Affairs.

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Jason Samuelsen ...................................... Rapid City
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Tomas Martinez ......................................... White River
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Mitchell Rave .......................................... Baltic
Bridget Redder ........................................ Watertown
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Krystal Worster ...................................... Lantry
Fourth Term
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Chase Conrad ..........................Rapid City
Catherine Dougherty ...............Sioux Falls
Sunny Gaughen .......................Chamberlain
Noele Gross ..........................Arlington
Connor McNenny .....................Sturgis
Seth Miller .............................Vermillion
Karina Noem .......................Clear Lake
Jennifer Palmer .......................Pierre

Fifth Term
Noah Brown .........................Garretson
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Alli Steckelberg .....................Chamberlain
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Brandi Murley ..................Rockwell City, IA
Samuel Parkinson ..................Rapid City
Rebecca Powell ..................Chamberlain
Chris Rieb ..........................Watertown
Kara Swenson ..................Brookings
Dean Thomas ..................Magalia, CA
William Updike ..................Oelrichs
### House Pages

#### First Term
- Austin Bower ........................................ Vivian
- Elizabeth Enalls ........................................ Sioux Falls
- Cara Finck ........................................ Tripp
- Chesney Garnos ........................................ Presho
- Brittney Groenewold .............................. Hartford
- Elise Haugaard ........................................ Sioux Falls
- Jonathan Haugaard ........................................ Sioux Falls
- John Reiners ........................................ Pierre
- Tiara Tingle ........................................ Brandon

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- Anna Hemenway ........................................ Huron
- Kendyll Jones ........................................ Harrold
- Madeline Molseed ........................................ Sioux Falls
- Sidney Neiman ........................................ Sturgis
- Kanon Olson ........................................ Whitewood
- Zachary Policky ........................................ Rapid City
- Grant Russell ........................................ Hot Springs
- Ivy Sherard ........................................ Hurley
- Abbie Wieseler ........................................ Pierre
- Matthew Wynia ........................................ Canton

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- Mikayla Brakke ........................................ Milbank
- Jennifer Christensen ................................ Madison
- Georgia Edoff .......................................... Hermosa
- Ashley Grambihler ................................ Pierre
- Raven Jorgensen ........................................ Kadoka
- Sedona Kintz .......................................... Pierre
- Celeste LaCoursiere ................................ Eureka
- Trevor Meehan ........................................ Watertown
- Caroline Perry .......................................... Reliance
- Emily Pillatzki .......................................... Corona
- Ridge Sandal .......................................... Quinn
- Olivianne Stavick ................................ Veblen
- Julia Stys ........................................ Sioux Falls
- Jaydon Ysbrand ........................................ Sioux Falls

#### Fourth Term
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- Joshua DeGroot ........................................ Sioux Falls
- Nicole Hamilton .......................................... Hitchcock
- Sarah Knust .......................................... Chamberlain
- Mary Martin .......................................... Mobridge
- Teagen McNary ...................................... Vermillion
- Madison Mead .......................................... Sioux Falls
- Joseph Updike .......................................... Oelrichs

#### Fifth Term
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- Taylor Bergeson ........................................ Hartford
- Foster Berry ........................................ Kadoka
- Ajok Deng ........................................ Sioux Falls
- Gregory Hauer ........................................ Mission Hill
- Joshua Holsing ........................................ Aberdeen
- Tanner Iwerks ........................................ Aberdeen
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Dennis Daugaard

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Date of Birth: June 11, 1953, Garretson, South Dakota
Spouse: Linda Daugaard
Children: Laura, Sara and Christopher

Following graduation from Dell Rapids High School in 1971, Daugaard attended the University of South Dakota. He worked his way through school by washing dishes, waiting tables, welding on the Load King assembly line and sandblasting and painting water towers for Maguire Iron. Daugaard graduated from USD in 1975 with a Bachelor of Science degree in Government and minors in mathematics and psychology.

Following graduation, Daugaard attended law school at Northwestern University in Chicago, Illinois. During law school, he held jobs as a bus driver, law clerk, and security guard. After earning his law degree in 1978, Daugaard passed the Illinois bar exam and worked in the Chicago area for three years.

Daugaard moved back to South Dakota in 1981 to marry his high school girlfriend, Linda Schmidt. Two years later, they purchased the Daugaard family farm site, which his grandparents purchased in 1911 after they emigrated from Denmark. Over the next year, they built their own home. Their children Laura, Sara, and Chris are the fourth generation of Daugaards to live on this family farm. Dennis and Linda also have four grandchildren, Henry, Stella, Elizabeth, and Greta.

From 1981 to 1990, Daugaard worked for what is now US Bank in Sioux Falls. Daugaard was ultimately promoted to vice president and was responsible for trust administration and new business development in eastern South Dakota.

In 1990, Daugaard left the bank to become the Development Director of the Children's Home Foundation, the fundraising arm of Children's Home Society of South Dakota. Daugaard worked for 12 years in that position. In 2002, he became Executive Director of Children's Home Society of South Dakota. Daugaard left Children's Home Society on October 31, 2009, to focus full-time on his campaign for governor.

Daugaard became involved in politics in 1996 when he was elected to the state Legislature. He was re-elected by wide margins in 1998 and 2000. His legislative record was particularly focused on protecting children and helping the disabled.

In June 2002, Mike Rounds selected Daugaard to be his running mate as the Republican nominee for lieutenant governor. The Rounds/Daugaard team was elected in 2002 and reelected in 2006. As lieutenant governor, Daugaard served as president of the Senate, was instrumental in the creation of the SD Ellsworth Development Authority, and was a leader of the SD Honor Flight program.
Lieutenant Governor Matt Michels
Matt Michels

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Born: March 9, 1960, Pierre, SD
Spouse: Karen Lindbloom
Children: Collin

Matt Michels was elected on a ticket with Gov. Dennis Daugaard in 2010, and took office in January 2011. The Daugaard/Michels team was then reelected in 2014. As Lieutenant Governor, Matt is the President of the Senate and a member of the Governor’s Executive Committee. In 2011, Matt led the state’s flood preparations in the area from Yankton to Dakota Dunes. Matt has been a leader in the construction of the new State Veterans Home in Hot Springs and served for a time as the interim Secretary of Veterans Affairs. He also works closely with the National Guard, Tribal Relations, and serves on the Board of Trustees of the South Dakota Retirement System.

Matt Michels was born in Pierre and grew up in Vermillion. After graduating from Vermillion High School, Matt attended the University of South Dakota where he worked as an orderly and EMT and earned a nursing degree in 1980. He worked as a nurse while he obtained his Bachelor of Science degree in health services administration in 1982 and his juris doctorate in 1985, both from the University of South Dakota.

While Matt was in law school, he became interested in the prospect of serving his country and both applied and interviewed with the United States Navy Judge Advocate General’s (JAG) Corp. He was commissioned a United States Naval Officer and has served on two temporary assignments and active duty in the Philippines. He was later transferred to Mayport, Florida. While in Mayport, he married his wife, Karen Lindbloom of Pierre, and she worked as a registered nurse in Jacksonville, Florida. For his service he was awarded the U.S. Navy Achievement and Commendation Medals.

Although Matt and Karen had the opportunity to make the Navy a career, they missed South Dakota and felt a strong need to return to be close to family. In 1989 the Michels moved to Yankton where Karen worked as an OB nurse and Matt joined a law practice with Don Bierle, practicing health care and hospital law along with other aspects of legal services to individuals and nonprofit organizations. Prior to being elected Lt. Governor, Matt was partner in what is now Michels & Associates, Prof. LLC, and served as General Counsel for Avera Health. Matt and Karen are blessed to have a son, Collin, who is attending medical school at the University of South Dakota. They recently welcomed a daughter-in-law, Jill, to their family.

Matt has always had an intense desire to serve others. He was honored to represent District 18 as a member of the South Dakota House of Representatives for eight years from 1999 to 2006. While in the legislature, Matt served for two years as Speaker Pro Tempore and as Speaker of the House for four years. He was the first person to serve two terms as Speaker since the 1950s.
Former Governors
Dakota Territory

William Jayne .....................1861 – 1863
Newton Edmunds .................1863 – 1866
Andrew J. Faulk .................1866 – 1869
John A. Burbank .................1869 – 1874
John L. Pennington .............1874 – 1878
William A. Howard ..........1878 – 1880a
Nehemiah G. Ordway ..........1880 – 1884
Gilbert A. Pierce .............1884 – 1887
Louis K. Church ..........1887 – 1889
Arthur C. Mellette ..........1889

Former Governors
State of South Dakota

Arthur C. Mellette, R ......1889 – 1893
Charles H. Sheldon, R ......1893 – 1897
Andrew E. Lee, P .............1897 – 1901
Charles N. Herreid, R ......1901 – 1905
Samuel H. Elrod, R .........1905 – 1907
Coe I. Crawford, R ..........1907 – 1909
Robert S. Vessey, R ..........1909 – 1913
Frank M. Byrne, R ...........1913 – 1917
Peter Norbeck, R .............1917 – 1921
William H. McMaster, R ..1921 – 1925
Carl Gunderson, R .........1925 – 1927
William J. Bulow, D ......1927 – 1931
Warren E. Green, R .........1931 – 1933
Tom Berry, D ...............1933 – 1937
Leslie Jensen, R .............1937 – 1939
Harlan J. Bushfield, R ......1939 – 1943
Merrill Q. Sharpe, R .......1943 – 1947
George T. Mickelson, R ...1947 – 1951
Sigurd Anderson, R .......1951 – 1955
Joseph J. Foss, R ...........1955 – 1959
Ralph E. Herseth, D .........1959 – 1961
Archie M. Gubbrud, R ......1961 – 1965
Nils A. Boe, R ...............1965 – 1969
Frank L. Farrar, R ...........1969 – 1971
Richard F. Kneip, D ........1971 – 1978b
Harvey Wollman, D .........1978 – 1978
William J. Janklow, R .....1979 – 1987
George S. Mickelson, R ...1987 – 1993c
M. Michael Rounds, R .......2003 – 2010
Dennis Daugaard, R .......2011 –

William A. Howard died April 10, 1880.

b. George S. Mickelson died in a plane crash on April 19, 1993.


R – Republican D – Democrat P – Populist
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\(^a\) The organization of the Dakota Territory did not provide for the position of Lieutenant Governor.

\(^b\) Clarence E. Coyne died May 27, 1929, and John T. Grigsby was appointed to fill the vacancy.

\(^c\) Harvey Wollman resigned July 24, 1978, to assume the office of Governor. No appointment was made to fill the vacancy.

\(^d\) Steve T. Kirby was appointed May 20, 1993, to replace Walter D. Miller, who assumed the Office of Governor on April 20, 1993, after the death of Governor George S. Mickelson.

\(R\) – Republican  \(D\) – Democrat
Secretary of State Shantel Krebs
Shantel Krebs

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Born: April 28, 1973, DeSmet, South Dakota
Spouse: Mitch Krebs
Affiliation: Republican

Shantel Krebs was sworn in as South Dakota’s 28th Secretary of State on January 2, 2015. Prior to that, she served three terms in the South Dakota House of Representatives followed by two terms in the state Senate. Shantel was chairwoman of the Senate Agricultural and Natural Resources Committee and also served on the Health and Transportation committees. She was chairwoman of the House Transportation committee from 2008 – 2010. She was a majority whip in the State House in 2006 – 2008 and a Senate majority whip in 2010 – 2012.

Shantel is a fourth generation South Dakotan, born and raised in Kingsbury County. She comes from a long history of family farming and entrepreneurship. She was previously employed in the healthcare industry and also owned and operated two retail stores in downtown Sioux Falls, as well as owning her own consulting firm for small businesses and organizations. A lifelong South Dakotan, Shantel graduated from Arlington High School in 1991, and earned a Business Administration degree from Dakota State University.

She has served on numerous boards and committees, including the Xcel Energy Advisory board, DSU Foundation board, Southeast Council of Governments, Vice Chair of the State Republican Party, Vice Chair of the Minnehaha County Republican Party, SD Symphony Orchestra board, Past President American Business Women's Association, SD Voices for Children, Southeastern Behavioral Health Festival of Trees co-chair, Multiple Sclerosis Society, and Leadership Sioux Falls. Krebs also co-chaired the First Lutheran Church capital campaign.

Awards she has received include FFA State Farmer Award, American Business Women's Association Woman of the Year, 2004 Southeastern Behavioral Health Donors of the Year, Dakota State University Distinguished Alumnus, 2011 Associated General Contractors Highway Champion, 2011 Association of Townships Friend of Local Government, 2012 South Dakota Farmer's Union Distinguished Legislative Leader, 2012 Soybean Advocate Award, 2012 SD State Fair Legislative Beef Showmanship champion, and 2014 SD Corn Growers Association Legislator of the Year. Krebs has spoken at numerous events throughout the Midwest on various topics, including women in business, business startup, agricultural issues, and leadership development. Krebs was also selected in 2012, as a national delegate for the American Council of Young Political Leaders to China and Taiwan. Shantel particularly enjoys raising buffalo and horses, pheasant hunting, and playing the saxophone.

Shantel has been married for 16 years to her husband, Mitch, and they live on a small ranch in Stanley County.
Attorney General Marty Jackley
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Spouse: Angela Jackley
Children: Michael and Isabella
Affiliation: Republican

On September 4, 2009, Marty J. Jackley was sworn in as the 30th Attorney General for South Dakota. He serves as the chief law enforcement officer and legal advisor for the State.

Marty was raised in Sturgis and graduated from the South Dakota School of Mines and Technology in 1992 with his Bachelor of Science degree in Electrical Engineering with Honors. He received his law degree from the University of South Dakota School of Law in 1995. From 1995-97, Marty served as a law clerk for former Chief Judge Richard H. Battey in federal district court. Marty joined the Rapid City law firm of Gunderson, Palmer, Nelson, and Ashmore. As a partner, his practice areas focused on criminal law, civil and business litigation, construction/engineering law, and real property disputes. At that time, he also served as a Special Assistant Attorney General for South Dakota prosecuting controlled substance felonies.

In 2006, Marty was appointed and unanimously confirmed by the US Senate as US Attorney for South Dakota. He was named the South Dakota Prosecutor of the Year in 2008 from the South Dakota State’s Attorneys Association. He presently serves as Chairman of the Conference of Western Attorneys General and Vice-Chairman of the National Association of Attorneys General.

As Attorney General, Marty has a proven record of leading an office that protects families and is committed to crime prevention. South Dakota’s Internet Crimes Against Children Task Force proactively protects children from sexual predators, while South Dakota’s Child Abduction Response Team has received national certification for its ability to respond to a missing child emergency. The Attorney General’s Office has worked with the Legislature to strengthen the sex offender registry and to develop a prescription drug monitoring program that emphasizes prevention over prosecution. South Dakota’s 24/7 Alcohol Sobriety and Monitoring Program has been extended across South Dakota and the nation. The sobriety program has reduced the likelihood for subsequent alcohol offenses and requires the offenders to pay all of the program costs.

Marty and his wife, Angela, live in Pierre with their two children, Michael and Isabella.
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Children: Emma, Henry and William  
Affiliation: Republican

Steve and his wife, Nicole, hail from Aberdeen, South Dakota. He is a graduate of Roncalli High School and received his undergraduate degree from the University of South Dakota. He later earned his Master’s degree in Business Administration from the University of Sioux Falls. Steve has held positions with the South Dakota Republican Party and Wells Fargo. He also served as a Constituent Services Representative in United States Senator John Thune’s Aberdeen district office from 2005 to 2010.

In his first attempt seeking public office, the citizens of South Dakota elected Steve to the office of State Auditor on November 2, 2010. In November 2014, he was re-elected to his second term. He is the 27th State Auditor to serve the State of South Dakota. Steve is a member of the National Association of State Auditors, Comptrollers, and Treasurers (NASACT), where he serves on the Training and Professional Development Committee, as well as the Financial Management and Intergovernmental Affairs Committee. In March 2015, Steve was also selected by his peers to serve on the eight-member Executive Committee of the National Association of State Comptrollers (NASC).

Steve’s interest in public service was sparked at an early age by his grandfather, the late Joe Barnett, Sr. Joe served as Speaker of the House and Republican Majority Leader in the South Dakota House of Representatives during his 19 years in public office.

Steve and Nicole have three children – Emma, Henry, and William. Steve and his family are members of Saints Peter and Paul Parish in Pierre. He has been actively involved in numerous volunteer activities, including Junior Achievement of South Dakota and the American Legion Boys State programs. In his free time, Steve enjoys spending time with his family, pheasant hunting, and snow and water skiing.
State Treasurer Rich Sattegast
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State Treasurer

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Children: Chase, Claire and Joshua  
Affiliation: Republican

Religion: Lutheran.

Education: Spearfish High School, 1983; Black Hills State University, Bachelor of Science in Political Science and Business, 1993; Phi Kappa Phi Honor Society; Sigma Tau Gamma Fraternity.


Member of Pierre/Fort Pierre Rotary; South Dakota American Legion; South Dakota Veterans of Foreign Wars; Life Member of Disabled American Veterans, Acting Public Utilities Commissioner on Dakota Access Pipeline 2015.

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Children: Callum and Lilah
Affiliation: Republican

Ryan grew up on a family farm/feedlot operation in Nisland, SD, and graduated from Newell High School. He received his Bachelor of Science degree in Agricultural Economics from South Dakota State University (SDSU). Ryan met his wife, Whitney, who is from Groton, SD, while in college.

As a student at SDSU, he served as Students’ Association President, President of the Delta Chi Fraternity, State Chairman of the SD College Republicans, executive director of the SD Student Federation, and as a South Dakota FFA State Officer.

In addition to being active on campus, Ryan was active in the Brookings Community and was elected to the Brookings City Council while he was a student. He worked for the SDSU plant science department as an undergraduate research assistant for four years helping conduct wheat research across South Dakota and taught a soil science laboratory for the department. He also worked for two years as a research assistant in agricultural economics.

After SDSU, Ryan worked for the Brookings Economic Development Corporation before being appointed the Deputy Commissioner of School and Public Lands under former Commissioners Jarrod Johnson and Vern Larson.

In November, 2014, Ryan was elected as South Dakota's 27th Commissioner of School and Public Lands. He is a member of the Western States Land Commissioner’s Association where he chairs the legislative affairs committee. He is also a member of several state boards including the SD Investment Council, Board of Finance, Weed and Pest Commission, and is an ex-officio on several others.

Ryan lives in Pierre with his wife, Whitney, their son, Callum, and daughter, Lilah. He is active in the Pierre/Ft. Pierre communities as a church board member, member of Kiwanis, and Vice-President of the Elks Lodge.
Former Secretaries of State
Dakota Territory

John Hutchinson .......... 1861 – 1865
S.L. Spink ..................... 1865 – 1869
T.M. Wilkins .................. 1869 – 1870
G.A. Batchelder .......... 1870 – 1872
Edwin S. McCook ........ 1872 – 1873

Oscar Whitney .............. 1873 – 1874
George A. Hand .......... 1874 – 1883
J.M. Tellre ............. 1883 – 1886
Michael L. McCormack ... 1886 – 1889
L.B. Richardson ......... 1889

Former Secretaries of State
State of South Dakota

A.O. Ringsrud, R .......... 1889 – 1893
Thomas Thorson, R ........ 1893 – 1897
William H. Roddle, R .... 1897 – 1901
O.C. Berg, R ............. 1901 – 1905
David D. Wipf, R .......... 1905 – 1909
Samuel C. Polley, R ...... 1909 – 1913
Frank Glasner, R .......... 1913 – 1915
Frank M. Rood, R ......... 1915 – 1919
C.A. Burkhart, R ........... 1919 – 1922
Clarence E. Coyne, R .... 1922 – 1927
Gladys Pyle, R .......... 1927 – 1931
Elizabeth Coyne, R .... 1931 – 1933
Myrtle Morrison, D .... 1933 – 1937
Goldie Wells, D .......... 1937 – 1939

Olive A. Ringsrud, R ...... 1939 – 1943
Mrs. L.M. Larsen, R ...... 1943 – 1947
Annameae Riff, R .......... 1947 – 1951
Geraldine Ostroot, R .... 1951 – 1957
Clara Halls, R ............ 1957 – 1959
Selma Sandness, D ...... 1959 – 1961
Lorna B. Herseth, D ...... 1973 – 1979
Alice Kundert, R .......... 1979 – 1987
Joyce Hazeltine, R ....... 1987 – 2003
Jason Gant, R ........... 2011 – 2015
Shantel Krebs, R ........ 2015 –

a. Edwin S. McCook was assassinated in September 1873, by Peter P. Wintermute.
b. C.A. Burkhart died and Clarence E. Coyne was appointed to fill the vacancy.
R – Republican D – Democrat

Former Attorneys General
Dakota Territory

Alexander Hughes .......... 1883 – 1884
Charles F. Templeton ...... 1887 – 1888
George Rice ............. 1885 – 1886

Tristam Skinner .......... 1889
George S. Engle .......... 1886 – 1887
Johnson Nickeus .......... 1889
Former Attorneys General
State of South Dakota

Robert Dollard, R..............1889 – 1893
Coe I. Crawford, R..............1893 – 1897
Melvin Grigsby, R..............1897 – 1899
John L. Pyle, R..............1899 – 1902a
A.W. Burtt, R...............1902 – 1903
Philo Hall, R...............1903 – 1907
S.W. Clark, R...............1907 – 1911
Royal C. Johnson, R........1911 – 1915
Clarence C. Caldwell, R......1915 – 1919
Byron S. Payne, R...............1919 – 1923
Buell F. Jones, R...............1923 – 1929
Merrell Q. Sharpe, R........1929 – 1933
Walter Conway, D..............1933 – 1937
Clair Roddewig, D..............1937 – 1939
Leo A. Temmey, R...............1939 – 1943
George T. Mickleson, R........1943 – 1947

Sigurd Anderson, R..............1947 – 1951
Ralph A. Dunham, R...............1951 – 1955
Phil Saunders, R................1955 – 1959
Parnell J. Donahue, D........1959 – 1961
Kermit A. Sande, D...............1973 – 1975
William J. Janklow, R...............1975 – 1979
Mark V. Meierhenry, R...............1979 – 1987
Roger Tellinghuisen, R.............1987 – 1991
Larry Long, R...............2003 – 2009b
Marty Jackley, R...............2009 – c

R – Republican
D – Democrat

a. John L. Pyle died February 21, 1902, and A.W. Burtt was appointed to fill the vacancy.
b. Larry Long resigned on September 4, 2009, when he was appointed as a Circuit Court Judge.
c. Marty Jackley was appointed by Governor Michael Rounds on September 4, 2009.

Former State Auditors
Dakota Territory

Justus Townsend.............1862 – 1864
I.T. Gore......................1864 – 1866
John Morris....................1868 – 1870
William Shriner..............1870 – 1872
Thomas J. Sloan..............1872 – 1874
A. Sheridan Jones............1874 – 1876
John Sand.....................1876 – 1878

E.A. Sherman................1879 – 1881
L.M. Purdy....................1881 – 1882
George Ordway...............1883 – 1885
Ernest W. Caldwell............1885 – 1886
James A. Ward...............1887 – 1889
John C. McManima...............1889
### Former State Auditors  
**State of South Dakota**

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\(^a\) Steve E. Anderson resigned and James O. Gilkerson was appointed to fill the vacancy.
\(^b\) Lawrence E. Mayes resigned January 15, 1956, and Fay A. Allbee was appointed to fill the vacancy.
\(^c\) Fay A. Allbee resigned August 31, 1958, and Oscar Brosz was appointed to fill the vacancy.

### Former State Treasurers  
**Dakota Territory**

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Former State Treasurers
State of South Dakota

Wilbur F. Smith, R...........1889 – 1891
W.W. Taylor, R.............1891 – 1895
Kirk G. Phillips, R........1895 – 1899
John Schamber, R...........1899 – 1903
C.B. Collins, R.............1903 – 1907
C.H. Cassill, R...............1907 – 1909
George G. Johnson, R......1909 – 1913
A.W. Ewert, R...............1913 – 1917
G.H. Helgerson, R..........1917 – 1921
W.S. O'Brien, R............1921 – 1923
James L. Driscoll, R.......1923 – 1927
A.J. Moodie, R..............1927 – 1931
A.C. Goodhope, R..........1931 – 1933
Frank G. Siewert, D.......1933 – 1937
W.H. Hinselman, D........1937 – 1939
W.G Douglas, R...............1939 – 1942a

John N. Thompson, R.......1942 – 1943
E.V. Youngquist, R.........1943 – 1945b
Hazel Dean, R ................1945 – 1947
C.E. Buehler, R..........1947 – 1951
Theodore Mehlhaf, R .......1951 – 1955
Al Hamre, R ..................1959 – 1963
Lloyd Jorgenson, R.........1963 – 1967
Neal Strand, R .............1969 – 1973
David Volk, R ...............1973 – 1990
Vernon L. Larson, R ......2003 – 2011
Rich Sattgast, R ............2011 –

a. W. G. Douglas resigned August 20, 1942, and John N. Thompson was appointed to fill the vacancy.
b. E. V. Youngquist died July 8, 1945, and Hazel Dean was appointed to fill the vacancy.
c. David Volk resigned July 31, 1990, and Janis Y. Kelley was appointed to fill the vacancy until G. Homer Harding was elected in 1991.

R – Republican
D – Democrat

Former Commissioners of School and Public Lands
State of South Dakota

Osmer H. Parker, R.........1889 – 1891
Thomas H. Ruth, R...........1891 – 1895
John L. Lockhart, R........1895 – 1899
David Eastman, R...........1899 – 1903
C.J. Bach, R .................1903 – 1907
O.C. Dokken, R...............1907 – 1911
F.F. Brinker, R...............1911 – 1913b
Fred Hepperle, R............1913 – 1917
N.E. Knight, R................1917 – 1925
O.P.J. Engstrom, R.........1925 – 1933
Ben Strool, D................1933 – 1939
Earl A. Hammerquist, R.....1939 – 1943
John A. Lunden, R.........1943 – 1949
Bernard Linn, R..............1949 – 1971
Ralph Ginn, R...............1971 – 1972c

George D. Kane, D...........1972 – 1979
F. Julian Cheney, R ..........1983d
David L. Volk, R ..........1983 – 1984c
John J. "Jack" Gerken, R .1984f
Timothy H. Amdahl, R .....1987 – 1990
Bryce Healy, D ..............2003 – 2007
Jarrod Johnson, R ..........2007 – 2013g
Ryan Brunner, R ..........2015 –

b. O.C. Dokken died July 27, 1913, and F. F. Brinker was appointed to fill his vacancy.
c. O.P.J. Engstrom resigned May 1, 1943, and Al Hamre was appointed to fill the vacancy.
d. F. Julian Cheney was appointed to fill the vacancy until 1983.
a. The organization of Dakota Territory did not provide for the position of Commissioner of School and Public Lands.
b. F.F. Brinker resigned February 26, 1913, and Fred Hepperle was appointed to fill the vacancy.
c. Ralph Ginn died May 26, 1972, and George D. Kane was appointed to fill the vacancy.
d. F. Julian Cheney died January 16, 1983, and David L. Volk was appointed to fill the vacancy.
e. David L. Volk resigned July 25, 1984, and John J. “Jack” Gerken was appointed to fill the vacancy.
f. John J. “Jack” Gerken resigned November 8, 1984, and Sheldon E. Cotton was appointed to fill the vacancy.
g. Jarrod Johnson resigned on August 15, 2013, and Vernon L. Larson was appointed by Governor Dennis Daugaard.
h. R – Republican   D – Democrat
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Affiliation: Republican

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Past Board of Directors, Lutheran Social Services Credit Counseling Advisory Board; DAV Arthur H. Muchow Independent Living Center; Sioux Falls Jaycees; Northern State University Foundation; Minnehaha Metro Communications Systems; Co–Founder, Multicultural Center; South Dakota Water Congress; Sister Cities Association; Licensed Auctioneer, Appraiser, Real Estate Broker and Soccer Coach.

Distinguished Alumnus, Northern State University; Outstanding Young Citizen of South Dakota; Sioux Falls’ City Father of the Year; International Lions’ Melvin Jones Fellow; YMCA Tri–State Hall of Fame; Habitat for Humanity’s ‘Hat’s Off’ Award; ‘Spirit of Downtown’ Sioux Falls Award; White Cane Safety Award; Multiple Sclerosis Society Chapter’s ‘Mayor of the Year’; Life Member, Lions Club Sight and Service Foundation; Children’s Care Hospital ‘Wings of Love’ Award; DAV ‘Outstanding Legislator’
Commissioner Chris Nelson
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Spouse: Penny Pfeifle Nelson  
Children: Rebekah Nelson and stepdaughter Heather Scheiner  
Affiliation: Republican

Religion: Christian.

Education: White Lake High School, 1982; Bachelor of Science degree with highest honors in Animal Science from South Dakota State University, 1987; Member and Vice President, South Dakota State University FarmHouse Fraternity.

Commissioner Kristie Fiegen
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Public Utilities Commissioner

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Date of Birth: September 17, 1954
Spouse: Dr. Tim Fiegen
Children: Alexander and Jackson
Affiliation: Republican

Kristie Fiegen currently serves as the vice chairman of the South Dakota Public Utilities Commission. Governor Dennis Daugaard appointed her to the PUC on Aug. 9, 2011, to fill a vacancy on the commission.

Kristie was then elected to the commission in November 2012, to serve a six-year term. She previously served as vice chairman of the PUC in 2012. She is a member of the National Association of Regulatory Utility Commissioners’ Committee on Gas and Subcommittee on Pipeline Safety. Kristie provides guidance related to the interests of the public and gas consumers to the Gas Technology Institute (GTI) as a member of GTI's Public Interest Advisory Committee.

Prior to joining the PUC, Kristie was the president of Junior Achievement of South Dakota for 17 years and was recognized as the top Junior Achievement USA President in 2008. Under Kristie's leadership, participation in Junior Achievement increased from 2,400 to more than 44,000 students annually and her team was named among the top eight franchises in the country nine times. Kristie's career also includes serving as the South Dakota area manager for the National Multiple Sclerosis Society for nine years and as a sales representative for Monsanto Company.

Kristie's public service career includes four terms in the South Dakota House of Representatives, from 1993 – 2001. While a legislator, she served as chair of the House Health and Human Service Committee. In 1993, she was a delegate to Israel and Egypt with the American Council of Young Political Leaders and in 1997, a delegate to Germany with the National Conference of State Legislators.

Kristie's service includes Rotary, the United Way, Sales & Marketing Executives, Toastmasters, Next Level Leadership, Leadership Sioux Falls, Junior Achievement, 4-H, Court Appointed Special Advocates Commission, and South Dakota Commission on Health Care. She is an active member of Central Baptist Church.

Kristie earned a bachelor's degree in Commercial Economics and Agricultural Business from South Dakota State University and a master's degree in Business Administration from the University of South Dakota. She grew up on her family's farm near Chancellor, SD, and is a graduate of Parker High School.

Kristie and her husband, Tim, have two sons, Alexander and Jackson.
Former Public Utilities Commissioners
Dakota Territory

William M. Evans 1886  N.T. Smith 1887 – 1888
W.H. McVay 1886  Judson LaMoure 1889
Alexander Griggs 1886 – 1888  John H. King 1889
A. Boynton 1887 – 1888  Harvey J. Rice 1889

William E. C. Robinson 1882
J. R. Brennan, R, Dist. 3 1890 – 1892
W.T. LaFollette, P, Dist. 1 1897 – 1901
Charles E. McKenny 1892
George A. Johnston, R, Dist. 1 1897 – 1899
Albion D. Chase 1890 – 1892
Frank P. Phillips 1892

Former Public Utilities Commissioners
State of South Dakota

Harvey J. Rice 1890
John H. Kingz 1890 – 1892
Albion D. Chase 1890 – 1892
Charles E. McKenny 1892
Frank P. Phillips 1892
George A. Johnston, R, Dist. 1 1895 – 1897
E.F. Conklin, R, Dist. 2 1895 – 1897
J.R. Brennan, R, Dist. 3 1895 – 1897
W.T. LaFollette, P, Dist. 1 1897 – 1901
Alexander Kirkpatrick, P, Dist. 2 1897 – 1903
William H. Tompkins, P, Dist. 3 1897 – 1899
William G. Smith, R, Dist. 3 1899 – 1917
Frank LaCocq, Jr., R, Dist. 1 1901 – 1907
D.H. Smith, R, Dist. 2 1903 – 1909
George Rice, R, Dist. 1 1907 – 1913
F.C. Robinson, R, Dist. 2 1909 – 1915
John J. Murphy, R, Dist. 1 1913 – 1943
P. W. Dougherty, R, Dist. 2 1915 – 1919
Frank E. Wells, R, Dist. 3 1917 – 1919
John W. Raish, R, Dist. 2 1919 – 1933
Dawes E. Brisbine, R, Dist. 3 1919 – 1935
F.S. Pickert, D, Dist. 2 1933 – 1939
Windsor Doherty, D, Dist. 3 1935

Fred B. Ray, D, Dist. 3 1936 – 1937
C.L. (Roy) Doherty, R, Dist. 3 1937 – 1971
Fred L. Lindekugel, R, Dist. 1 1943 – 1967
Harvey Scharn, R, Dist. 1 1967 – 1973
Winston Barness, R, Dist. 2 1969 – 1975
Jack M. Weiland, D, Dist. 3 1971 – 1977
P.K. Ecker, D, Dist. 1 1973 – 1979
Norma Klinkel, D, Dist. 2 1975 – 1981
Charolette Fischer, R, Dist. 3 1977 – 1983
Jeff Solem, R, Dist. 2 1981 – 1987
Kenneth Stofferahn, D, Dist. 1 1979 – 1997
Dennis Einsnach, D, Dist. 3 1983 – 1989
Laska Schoenfelder, R, Dist. 3 1989 – 2001
Jim Burg, D, Dist. 2 1987 – 2005
Pam Nelson, D 1997 – 2003
Gary Hanson, R 2003
Steve Kolbeck, D 2006 – 2011
Chris Nelson, R 2011 –
Kristie Fiegen, R 2011 –

a. The Public Utilities Commission was originally an appointive office and called the Board of Railroad Commissioners. In 1897, state law was amended making it an elective office. On July 1, 1939, the name was changed from the Board of Railroad Commission to the Public Utilities Commission.
b. P.W. Dougherty resigned and John W. Raish was appointed to fill the vacancy.
c. Frank E. Wells resigned and Dawes E. Brisbine was appointed to fill the vacancy.
d. Windsor Doherty resigned and Fred B. Ray was appointed to fill the vacancy.
e. Laska Schoenfelder died in March 2001. Robert Sahr was appointed to fill vacancy in December 2001.
f. Robert Sahr resigned in November 2006. Steve Kolbeck was appointed to fill the vacancy on December 4, 2006.
g. Dustin Johnson was elected to a second term in November 2010, but declined to take office.
h. Steve Kolbeck resigned on June 21, 2011.
i. Chris Nelson was appointed by Governor Dennis Daugaard to fill Dustin Johnson’s vacancy on January 8, 2011.
j. Kristie Fiegen was appointed by Governor Dennis Daugaard to fill Steve Kolbeck’s vacancy on August 9, 2011.

R – Republican  D – Democrat  P – Populist
Chief Justice David Gilbertson
David Gilbertson Chief Justice of the Supreme Court

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Children: Four Children

Chief Justice Gilbertson was elected to a 4-year term as Chief Justice by the members of the Supreme Court in September 2001, was re-elected to a second 4-year term as Chief Justice by the members of the Supreme Court in June 2005, a third 4-year term in June 2009, and a fourth 4-year term in June 2013. He was appointed to the Supreme Court in April 1995, to represent the Fifth Supreme Court District, which includes Brown, Butte, Campbell, Clark, Codington, Corson, Day, Deuel, Dewey, Edmunds, Faulk, Grant, Hamlin, Harding, Marshall, McPherson, Perkins, Potter, Roberts, Spink, Walworth, and Ziebach counties and was retained by the voters in the 1998, 2006, and 2014 general elections.

Chief Justice Gilbertson received his undergraduate degree from South Dakota State University in 1972, and his Juris Doctorate from the University of South Dakota School of Law in 1975. He engaged in private practice from 1975 until his appointment to the circuit court bench in 1986. He served as a Circuit Judge for the Fifth Judicial Circuit from 1986 until his appointment to the Supreme Court in 1995.

He is the current President of the Conference of Chief Justices for the 2015 – 2016 Term. He has previously held the positions of Board Member, First Vice President, President-elect, and has chaired various committees. He is the Chairman of the Board of Directors for the National Center for State Courts for its 2015 – 2016 Term. Since 2010, he has served as the state court representative of the Criminal Rules Committee of the United States Courts. In 2006, he was the recipient of the Distinguished Service Award from the National Center for State Courts for his defense of judicial independence. He was the recipient of the “Grass Roots” Award by the American Bar Association in 2014, for his defense of judicial independence. He is the past President of the South Dakota Judges Association. He also serves on the Judicial-Bar Liaison Committee of the State Bar Association and has served as a Court Counselor at South Dakota Boys State since 1995. Chief Justice Gilbertson and his wife, Deb, have four children.

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Date of Birth: September 18, 1950
Spouse: Sandra A. Aaen
Children: Two Daughters

Justice Zinter, of Pierre, was appointed to the Supreme Court on April 2, 2002, by Governor William J. Janklow. He received his Bachelor of Science degree from the University of South Dakota and his Juris Doctorate from the University of South Dakota School of Law. Upon graduation from law school in 1972, Justice Zinter was an Assistant Attorney General for the State of South Dakota from 1975 – 1978. From 1978 to 1986, he was engaged in the private practice with the law firm of Schmidt, Schroyer, Colwill, Zinter & Barnet, P.C. Justice Zinter also served as the Hughes County State’s Attorney from 1980 – 1986. He was appointed as a Circuit Judge in 1987, and served in that capacity until 1997. In 1997, he was appointed Presiding Judge of the Sixth Judicial Circuit and served in that capacity until his appointment to the Supreme Court to represent the Third Supreme Court District, which includes Beadle, Bennett, Brookings, Brule, Buffalo, Fall River, Haakon, Hand, Hughes, Hyde, Jackson, Jerauld, Jones, Kingsbury, Lake, Lyman, Mellette, Miner, Moody, Sanborn, Oglala Lakota, Stanley, Sully, Todd, and Tripp counties. Justice Zinter was retained by the voters in 2006 and 2014. Justice Zinter is a member of the American Bar Association, the State Bar Association, and the South Dakota Judges Association. He is a past trustee of the Harry S. Truman Foundation along with a number of other boards and commissions. Justice Zinter and his wife have two children and four grandchildren.

Third Supreme Court District: Beadle, Bennett, Brookings, Buffalo, Deuel, Haakon, Hamlin, Hand, Hughes, Hyde, Jackson, Jerauld, Jones, Kingsbury, Lake, Mellette, Miner, Moody, Sanborn, Shannon, Stanley, Sully, and Todd Counties.
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Spouse: Mary Schweitzer Severson
Children: Thomas and Kathryn

Justice Severson represents the Second Supreme Court District, which includes Minnehaha County. He attended the University of South Dakota receiving a Bachelor of Science in 1972, and the University of South Dakota, School of Law receiving his Juris Doctorate in 1975. He was a member of the Fingerson and Severson Law Firm from 1983 – 1992, and served as the Huron City Attorney from 1977 – 1991 and a Beadle County Deputy States Attorney in 1975. He was appointed a Circuit Judge in the Second Circuit in 1993, and served as Presiding Judge from 2002 until his appointment to the Supreme Court. Justice Severson was appointed to the Supreme Court in 2009, after sixteen years on the trial bench and was retained by the voters in 2012. He is a member of the American Bar Association, South Dakota Bar Association, and Second Circuit Bar Association. He served in the South Dakota Air National Guard from 1967 – 1973. He was a member of the South Dakota Board of Water and Natural Resources (1986 – 1992) and has served on a number of other boards and commissions. Justice Severson and his wife, Mary, have two children, Thomas and Kathryn.

Second Supreme Court District: Minnehaha County.
Justice Lori S. Wilbur
Lori S. Wilbur

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Justice Wilbur was appointed to the Supreme Court on August 16, 2011, by Governor Dennis Daugaard. Justice Wilbur was retained by the voters in 2014. She attended the University of South Dakota, receiving a Bachelor of Arts degree in 1974, and the University of South Dakota, School of Law, receiving her Juris Doctorate in 1977. She served as a law clerk for the South Dakota Supreme Court for Honorable Laurence J. Zastrow; was an assistant Attorney General; General Counsel, South Dakota Board of Regents; Staff Attorney, South Dakota Legislative Research Council; and Legal Counsel, South Dakota Bureau of Personnel. She is a member and past President of the South Dakota Judges Association, past Member and Secretary of the Judicial Qualifications Commission, and a member of the Rosebud Bar Association. She served as a Law-Trained Magistrate Judge, Sixth Circuit 1992 – 1999; Circuit Court Judge, Sixth Circuit, 1999 – 2011; and Presiding Judge, Sixth Circuit, 2007 – 2011.

**Fourth Supreme Court District:** Aurora, Bon Homme, Charles Mix, Clay, Davison, Douglas, Gregory, Hanson, Hutchinson, Lincoln, McCook, Turner, Union, and Yankton Counties.
Justice Janine M. Kern
Janine M. Kern  
Justice of the Supreme Court

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Date of Birth: February 14, 1961
Spouse: Greg Biegler

Justice Kern, who was appointed to the Supreme Court on November 25, 2014, by Governor Dennis Daugaard, represents the First Supreme Court District, which includes Custer, Lawrence, Meade, and Pennington counties. She received a Bachelor of Science degree in 1982, from Arizona State University and her Juris Doctorate from the University of Minnesota Law School in 1985. Justice Kern worked in the Attorney General’s office from 1985 – 1996 serving in a variety of capacities, including the appellate division, drug prosecution unit, and as Director of the Litigation Division. She was appointed a Circuit Court Judge in 1996, Seventh Judicial Circuit comprised of Custer, Fall River, Shannon, and Pennington Counties, and served 18 years on the trial court bench. She is a member of the American Law Institute, the National Council of Juvenile and Family Court Judges, the State Bar Association, the Pennington County Bar Association, the American Bar Association Fellows, and past President of the South Dakota Judges Association. She served on the Council of Juvenile Services from 2004 – 2013, on the Federal Advisory Committee on Juvenile Justice from 2004 – 2008, and on numerous other boards and commissions. Justice Kern and her husband, Greg Biegler, make their home in the beautiful Black Hills.

First Supreme Court District: Custer, Lawrence, Meade, and Pennington Counties.
Former Justices of the Supreme Court\textsuperscript{a}

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\textsuperscript{a} The Supreme Court was originally comprised of three members. However, acting under constitutional authority, the State Legislature increased the Court's membership to five effective February 26, 1909. An amendment to the State Constitution, approved by a vote of the people on November 7, 1972, changed the titles of the Supreme Court members from "judges" to "justices" and called for the selection of a "chief justice" rather than a "presiding judge."

\textsuperscript{b} Suspended by President Grover Cleveland.
## State of South Dakota

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Former Justices of the Supreme Court Notes

a. John E. Bennett died and Howard G. Fuller was appointed to fill the vacancy on January 15, 1894.
b. A.G. Kellam died and Dick Haney was appointed to fill the vacancy on January 31, 1896.
c. Charles S. Whiting died on March 25, 1922, and Carl G. Sherwood was appointed to fill the vacancy on April 1, 1922.
d. James H. McCoy resigned on December 1, 1921, and Frank Anderson was appointed to fill the vacancy on December 1, 1921.
e. Samuel C. Polley retired on July 1, 1947, and Charles H. Hayes was appointed to fill the vacancy on July 8, 1947.
f. John Howard Gates died on November 8, 1927, and James Brown was appointed to fill the vacancy on November 26, 1927.
g. N.D. Burch died March 18, 1931, and Hervert B. Rudolph was appointed March 27, 1931, to fill the vacancy.
h. Frederick A. Warren died on June 18, 1944, and Vernon R. Sickel was appointed to fill the vacancy on September 1, 1944.
i. Everett D. Roberts retired on December 31, 1970, and Fred R. Winans was appointed to fill the vacancy on January 1, 1971.
j. Herbert B. Rudolph died on September 2, 1957, and Harold Bogue was appointed to fill the vacancy on October 1, 1957.
k. St. Clair Smith retired on December 1, 1962, and Frederick Homeyer was appointed to fill the vacancy on December 1, 1962.
l. Vernon R. Sickel resigned on July 1, 1956, and Charles S. Hanson was appointed to fill the vacancy on July 1, 1956.
m. Charles R. Hayes resigned on June 1, 1951, and Boyd Leedom was appointed to fill the vacancy on June 1, 1951.

n. Boyd Leedom resigned on March 31, 1955, and Alex Rentto was appointed to fill the vacancy on May 1, 1955.
o. Alex Rentto retired on September 15, 1971, and James M. Doyle was appointed to fill the vacancy on December 30, 1971.
p. Charles S. Hanson retired on September 1, 1973, and Francis G. Dunn was appointed to fill the vacancy on September 1, 1973.
q. Harold Bogue died on April 18, 1959, and Frank Biegelmeier was appointed to fill the vacancy on May 11, 1959.
r. Frank Biegelmeier retired on August 31, 1974 and Oren P. (Phil) Coler was appointed to fill the vacancy on September 1, 1974.
s. Fred R. Winans resigned on December 31, 1976, and Donald J. Porter was appointed to fill the vacancy on January 1, 1977.
t. James M. Doyle died on March 6, 1976, and Lawrence J. Zastrow was appointed to fill the vacancy on August 10, 1976.
u. Francis G. Dunn resigned on September 7, 1985, and George W. Wuest served as acting justice until a successor was named.
v. Roger Wollman resigned on September 6, 1985, and George W. Wuest was appointed to fill the vacancy on September 8, 1986.
w. Robert E. Morgan was elected on January 1, 1977, and replaced Oren Coler.
x. Jon Fosheim retired on December 12, 1986, and Robert A. Miller was appointed to fill the vacancy on December 15, 1986.
y. George W. Wuest retired in 1994 and David Gilbertson was appointed to fill the vacancy on April 3, 1995.
z. Francis G. Dunn retired and Richard W. Sabers was appointed to fill the vacancy on March 1, 1986.
aa. Jon Fosheim retired and Robert A. Miller was appointed to fill the vacancy on December 15, 1986.

bb. Robert E. Morgan retired and Robert A. Amundson was appointed to fill the vacancy on March 11, 1991.
cc. Frank Henderson retired and John K. Konekamp was appointed to fill the vacancy on September 10, 1994.

dd. Robert A. Miller retired September 14, 2001. Judge Max Gors of the Sixth Circuit was appointed Acting Justice on September 15, 2001, and served until Steve L. Zinter was appointed to fill the vacancy on April 2, 2002.

ee. Robert A. Amundson retired on October 11, 2002, and Judith K. Meierhenry was appointed to fill the vacancy on November 12, 2002.

ff. Richard W. Sabers retired on January 6, 2009, and Glen A. Severson was appointed to fill the vacancy on April 3, 2009.

gg. Judith K. Meierhenry retired and Lori S. Wilbur was appointed to fill the vacancy on August 16, 2011.

hh. John K. Konekamp retired and Janine M. Kern was appointed to fill the vacancy on November 25, 2014.
Members of the Circuit Court

Bruce V. Anderson, First Circuit Court

Mark W. Barnett, Sixth Circuit Court
Address: Pierre, SD. Year of Birth: 1954. Place of Birth: Sioux Falls. Children: John (Sung Hyun Shin) and Jim (Joon Sung Lee). Religion: Catholic. Education: O’Gorman High School, 1972; University of South Dakota, Bachelor of Arts, 1976, Juris Doctorate, 1978. Experience: Hughes County State’s Attorney, 1988 – 1989; elected Attorney General in 1990, 1994, and 1998; six years on the state Bar Commission; President, Young Lawyer’s Section. Delegate, ABA/YLD national board, representing three state region; O’Gorman Outstanding Alumni, 2001; USD Alumni Achievement Award, in Public Service, 2009; Prosecutor of the Year, South Dakota; State’s Attorneys Association, 2007; Conservation Award, South Dakota; Game Fish and Parks, 2008; Past Vice President, Spearfish Canyon Foundation; Past President, Children’s Home Foundation; Chair, Government Lawyers Committee of State Bar, 2003; Fundraising Co-Chair, Governor’s new mansion and meeting facility; Fundraising Co-Chair, St. John’s Church Building Project, 2006-2007; successfully argued two cases in U.S. Supreme Court; two capital trials; and Circuit Judge, Sixth Circuit, 2007 – Present.

Timothy W. Bjorkman, First Circuit Court
John L. Brown, Sixth Circuit Court

Matthew M. Brown, Seventh Circuit Court

Joni M. Clark Cutler, Second Circuit Court
Birthplace: Sioux Falls, SD. Education: Lincoln High School, Sioux Falls, SD; Augustana/USF Joint Program, Bachelors of Social Work; University of South Dakota, School of Law; Certificate, Harvard University, John F. Kennedy School of Government, Cambridge; University of Wisconsin, Legislative Leadership Certificate, Madison; Civil Mediation/Arbitration, Hamline University Law and Graduate School and Minnesota State Bar, Private practice licensed in state and federal court; University Dean, Criminal Justice and Public Administration; Member, State House of Representatives (8 years), Chair, House Judiciary; Member, State Senate (2 years), Vice Chair Senate Judiciary; Past Chair, NCSL Law and Justice; Appointed Magistrate Judge; Circuit Court Judge, Second Circuit, 2015 – Present.
Jeff W. Davis, Seventh Circuit Court

Michael W. Day, Fourth Circuit Court
Address: Belle Fourche, SD. Year of Birth: 1958. Place of Birth: Winner. Spouse: Mary Srstka Day. Children: Katherine, Alexandra, and Elizabeth. Religion: Catholic. Education: Winner High School, 1976, Winner; University of South Dakota, Vermillion, 1980, Bachelor of Science, Political Science; University of South Dakota School of Law, 1983, Juris Doctorate. Experience: Private Practice of Law May 1983 – June 2013; President, State Bar of South Dakota; President, South Dakota Trial Lawyers Association; Member, Judicial Qualifications Commission; Member, State Bar of South Dakota Disciplinary Board; Member, Belle Fourche School District Board of Education; Member, St. Paul’s Catholic Church Finance Council; City of Belle Fourche Horizons Volunteer of Year; Member, Belle Fourche Lions Club, Member UJS Discipline Review Board; Judicial Weighted Workload Review Committee; and Court, Reporter Committee; Circuit Court Judge, Fourth Circuit, 2013 – 2015; Presiding Circuit Court Judge, Fourth Circuit, 2015 – Present.

Patricia DeVaney, Sixth Circuit Court
Jerome A. Eckrich, Fourth Circuit Court

Wally Eklund, Seventh Circuit Court

Glen W. Eng, First Circuit Court
Jon R. Erickson, Third Circuit Court

Jon S. Flemmer, Fifth Circuit Court

Vincent A. Foley, Third Circuit Court
Cheryle Gering, First Circuit Court

Robert Gusinsky, Seventh Circuit Court

Douglas E. Hoffman, Second Circuit Court
Robin Jacobson Houwman, Second Circuit Court

Steven R. Jensen, First Circuit Court

Heidi Lynn Linngren, Seventh Circuit Court
Larry E. Long, Second Circuit Court

Randall L. Macy, Fourth Circuit Court
Robert A. Mandel, Seventh Circuit Court

Carmen A. Means, Third Circuit Court

Scott P. Myren, Fifth Circuit Court
Joseph Neiles, Second Circuit Court

Patrick T. Pardy, Third Circuit Court

John Ryan Pekas, Second Circuit Court
Michelle Palmer-Percy, Fourth Circuit Court

Craig A. Pfeifle, Seventh Circuit Court

Jane Wipf Pfeifle, Seventh Circuit Court
Tony L. Portra, Fifth Circuit Court

Patricia C. Riepel, Second Circuit Court

Susan M. Sabers, Second Circuit Court
Mark Salter, Second Circuit Court

Patrick T. Smith, First Judicial Court

Jon Sogn, Second Circuit Court
Rick Sommers, Fifth Circuit Court
Address: Aberdeen, SD. Place of Birth: Webster. Religion: Lutheran. Education: Roslyn High School, Roslyn; Bachelor of Science, South Dakota State University; Juris Doctorate, University of South Dakota. Experience: 3 Years Chief Deputy State’s Attorney, Brown County, 26 years Private Practice; Circuit Court Judge, Fifth Circuit, 2014 – Present.

Robert Spears, Third Circuit Court

Gregory J. Stoltenburg, Third Circuit Court
Kathleen F. Trandahl, Sixth Circuit Court

Bradley G. Zell, Second Circuit Court
Address: Sioux Falls, SD. Children: 4 children. Education: Forestburg High School; Bachelor of Science, South Dakota State University; Juris Doctorate, University of South Dakota. Experience: Law Clerk, 7th Circuit, Rapid City; partner/owner Heidepriem, Widmayer, & Zell, Miller; Sr. Loan-Trust Officer and Director at Valley Banks, Sioux Falls; President Elect/Secretary, SD Trial Lawyers Association, Circuit Court Judge, Second Circuit, 2003 – Present.
Capitol Complex
Pierre, South Dakota

Capitol Complex
The Capitol Complex, located on the Missouri River bluffs overlooking Pierre, is comprised of approximately 220 acres of state property. The property includes 23 state office buildings, over 12 acres of parking and more than 11 miles of sidewalk. Other features include the Fighting Stallions Memorial, the Flaming Fountain Memorial, Hilger's Gulch Park, Governor's Grove, a 5 acre lake, 2 acre tree bank, 14 flower gardens containing more than 22,000 flowers, and about 6,700 trees and shrubs. The lake is warmed by the flaming fountain and is a popular spot for flocks of geese.

State Capitol Building
Construction on the elaborately designed and decorated State Capitol Building began in 1905, after a protracted fight over which town was to become the state’s capitol. The cornerstone was laid in 1908 and the completed building was accepted on June 30, 1910. The Capitol building was designed and constructed by Minneapolis architects Bell & Detweiler as a modified version of their similar design of the Montana Capitol. Total cost of the Capitol Building was approximately $1,247,000, $7.10 per square foot. During the late 1930s, serious structural problems began to develop because of the extended drought. Works Progress Administration crews were enlisted to underpin the foundation, repair floor and wall cracks, and repaint the entire building, covering over the elaborate wall decorations. An annex was added in 1932, to the north side of the original Capitol, bringing the size to more than 141,000 square feet. The Capitol measures 190 feet wide, 292 feet long, and 161 feet tall. Its materials include native field stone, Ortonville granite, Indiana limestone, and Vermont and Italian marble.

In the late 1970s, the Governor and South Dakota Legislature approved a large scale program to restore and renovate the Capitol back to its original grandeur. This restoration was completed in 1989, in time for the State’s Centennial celebration. The building attracts visitors from across the nation and world to see its architecture, artworks, and more than 100 events that are held annually in the building, including the dazzling display of Christmas trees between Thanksgiving and Christmas.
The State Capitol houses the Legislature, Supreme Court, Constitutional Officers, Public Utilities Commission, Digital Dakota Network, and several Bureaus of Executive Management. A collection of dolls dressed in gowns fashioned after the gowns worn by the First Ladies at their husbands’ inaugurals are on the first floor.

Capitol Lake

Capitol Lake, located adjacent to the Capitol to the east is a five acre man-made lake. Fed by a warm water artesian well, the picturesque lake is a popular spot for Canadian geese in the winter. Capitol Lake was a popular ice skating attraction early in the 1900s, until weak ice led to the loss of life on the lake. Up until the mid-1970s, the pond was also a popular fishing hole for the youth of the Pierre area.

Governor's Residence

From 1937 until 2003, the former Governor’s Residence served as private living quarters and a public building for all South Dakota governors and their families. Because of severe infrastructure problems and outdated facilities, the Bureau of Administration and the Capitol Beautification Commission recommended that the Governor’s Residence be replaced with a new facility that would better serve the needs of the governor, first family, and the citizens of South Dakota.

The former Governor’s Residence was officially closed on November 3, 2003. The former Residence has since been sold, restored, and is now a museum near the Rapid City Airport. A collaborative effort between the State of South Dakota, South Dakota
Community Foundation, Pierre Economic Development Corporation, and the Capitol Beautification Commission was implemented and construction began in earnest on the new Governor’s Residence in the spring of 2004. Under the supervision of the general contractor, Henry Carlson Company of Sioux Falls, hundreds of contractors and subcontractors worked tirelessly until construction was completed in June of 2005. Thousands of South Dakotans and numerous corporations and companies from across the state contributed substantial amounts of money, products, and services.

Measuring approximately 14,000 square feet, the new, two-story Residence is poised peacefully on the eastern shore of Capitol Lake in the precise location of the previous Governor’s Residence. The new Residence serves as the private residence for governors and their families and as a facility capable of hosting guests for gubernatorial public events.

The private side of the Governor’s Residence features offices for the Governor and First Lady, full living quarters, including a kitchen, living room, dining room, family room, and five family bedrooms. The grand dining room and the Governor’s private office include fireplaces accented with rock blasted from Crazy Horse Memorial in the Black Hills. The public side of the Governor’s Residence includes a grand dining hall, which accommodates approximately 100 guests, a commercial kitchen and cooking facilities, greeting area, and two staterooms or guest quarters.

The exterior of the Governor’s Residence is adorned with field stone from near Miller, South Dakota, while other portions of the exterior feature copper flashing, specially cast concrete, South Dakota brick, and numerous roof adornments to add to the exterior appeal.

The design and construction of the South Dakota Governor’s Residence will be a source of pride and honor for generations of South Dakotans to come.

**Hilger's Gulch**

The gulch behind the Capitol Building was once owned by Anson Hilger. In 1986, Governor William Janklow proposed turning it into a parkway with a bridge and sidewalks. In 1989, Governor's Grove, which includes a tree planted for each state governor, was moved from the Transportation Building to the Gulch. Veterans groups provide 100 U.S. flags that are flown on holidays and special events. The gulch includes a 1.5 mile lighted walking trail and flower gardens.
Visitor Center

The Visitor Center was built in 1971 and housed the maintenance shop for many years. In 1998, the shop area was converted into a Visitor Center, complete with a conference room that can be reserved for use by the general public. Restrooms and a kitchen are located near the conference room. A gallery runs along the front of the Visitor Center. The rooftop viewing area provides a panoramic view of Capitol Lake. The Center is open year round from 8:00 a.m. to 10:00 p.m.

Soldiers' and Sailors' Building

Originally a memorial to South Dakotans serving in World War I, the Soldiers’ and Sailors’ Building was built in 1931, to house the state museum for many years. In 1990, it became an office building and houses the Departments of Military and Veterans Affairs. The 11,760 square foot building currently displays tributes to South Dakota Medal of Honor recipients, former prisoners of war, other distinguished veterans, and all South Dakota veterans. It is located at 425 East Capitol Avenue, across from the Capitol Building.
Sigurd Anderson Building

This state office building, named after the state’s 19th Governor, was constructed in 1951. The 28,840 square foot building houses various state agencies. It is located across from the Capitol Building at 445 East Capitol Avenue.

Joe Foss Building

Named after the famous World War II flying ace and 20th Governor of South Dakota, the Foss Building was completed in 1955. The building's first occupant was the Department of Highways. Today, the 60,230 square foot building houses various state agencies. It is located across from the Capitol Building at 523 East Capitol Avenue.
Richard Kneip Building

This state office building is located at 700 Governors Drive. The building was completed in November 1975, and is named after Richard Kneip, the 25th Governor of South Dakota. Various state agencies occupy this 79,180 square foot building.

Mercedes MacKay Building (State Library Building)

Originally constructed in 1974, and recently renovated in 2009, the MacKay Building serves as the state repository and reference library, as well as office for state agencies. The 48,000 square foot building is named after Mercedes MacKay, State Librarian from 1939 to 1973. The building is located at 800 Governor’s Drive.
Public Safety Building

Formerly an old federal building and Commerce Building, this building currently houses the Department of Public Safety. The 21,300 square foot building is located at 118 West Capitol Avenue.

George S. Mickelson Criminal Justice Center

The Mickelson Center was completed in 2005, and houses a wide variety of state law enforcement agencies. The 152,700 square foot facility houses the Attorney General, administration and staff, the Division of Criminal Investigation, law enforcement training, forensic laboratory, State Radio, and an emergency operations center. The building is named after the state’s 28th Governor and former assistant attorney general and state’s attorney who was killed when a state airplane crashed on April 19, 1993, near Dubuque, Iowa.
Dr. Robert Hayes Building

Originally constructed as a health laboratory, the Hayes Building currently houses the administrative office of the Department of Health. The 10,500 square foot building is named after the physician and health care pioneer who served as Secretary of Health from 1970 to 1975. The building is located at 600 East Capitol Avenue between the Capitol and the Visitors Center.

State Health Laboratory

Completed in 1997, the State Health Laboratory has facilities for bacteriological, serological, virological, and chemical testing, as well as office spaces for the Department of Health. The 36,100 square foot building is located at 615 East Fourth Street.
Becker–Hansen (Transportation) Building

Built in 1964, the Becker–Hansen Building is the central headquarters for the Department of Transportation, including aeronautics, highways, and railroads. The name was changed to the Becker–Hansen Building in tribute to Ron Becker and David Hansen, who were killed when the state plane crashed on April 19, 1993. This 90,200 square foot building is located at 700 East Broadway Avenue.

Bureau of Administration Building

A former church, this 4,500 square foot building houses various executive management bureau staff, including the Bureau of Administration central office. It is located at 320 North Nicollet Avenue.

Dolly-Reed Plaza

The State purchased the Capitol Lake Plaza Building in 2007. The 29,000 square foot office is a model of modern energy efficiency and includes solar panels, vertical axis wind turbines, and a geothermal heating and cooling system. The building was renamed the Dolly-Reed Plaza in September 2012. The building houses various state agencies and is located at 711 East Wells.
Cultural Heritage Center

In honor of South Dakota’s centennial anniversary, the Cultural Heritage Center opened in 1989, as the headquarters of the South Dakota State Historical Society. The 63,000 square foot, earth covered Center is located at 900 Governors Drive, above Hilger’s Gulch, north of the State Capitol. The Center holds the archives, historic preservation, and museum, as well as the research and publishing operations of the State Historical Society. The design of the Center recalls the ancient Arikara earth lodges that once dotted the Missouri River Valley and the grounds are covered with native Dakota flora.

Best known as a museum, the Cultural Heritage Center contains a 13,900 square foot gallery, featuring award winning exhibits that depict the state’s rich cultural heritage and history. A full-size tipi, recreated sod house, milking shed, and WNAX gas station provide drama and fun for visitors to the center. Ever changing exhibits highlight various themes and topics.

For genealogists, researchers, students, scholars, and the historically curious, the research room in the Cultural Heritage Center makes available over three million cubic feet of documents, films, maps, photographs, and recordings. In its State Archives, the Society maintains the records of government agencies and papers of elected officials. Microfilm copies of the state’s newspapers and state census records are popular collections.
**Fighting Stallions Memorial**

The Fighting Stallions Memorial was built as a tribute to the eight South Dakotans who died when a state plane crashed on April 19, 1993, near Dubuque, Iowa. The men were on an economic development mission. Fighting Stallions is an enlarged bronze replica of the 1935 mahogany carving by sculptor Korczak Ziolkowski. The memorial is located near Capitol Lake. The base of the memorial contains dedications to the men who died: South Dakota’s 28th Governor, George Mickelson; Office of Energy Policy Director, Ron Reed; Governor's Office of Economic Development Commissioner, Roland Dolly; First Bank of South Dakota President/CEO, David Birkeland; Sioux Falls Development Foundation President, Roger Hainje; Northern States Power Chief Executive, Angus Anson; and state pilots, Ron Becker and David H. Hansen.

**Civil War Monument**

**Memorial Park**

This monument was erected in 1918, to honor those who defended our nation and is located in the small triangular park at the intersection of Capitol Avenue, Wells Avenue, and Court Place.
Emergency Medical Service Memorial

The memorial honors emergency medical services personnel who have fallen while in the line of duty.

Law Enforcement Officers Memorial

This memorial is in tribute to the South Dakota law enforcement officers who served and sacrificed their lives in the line of duty.
Fallen Firefighter Memorial

Officially dedicated October 12, 1997, the memorial honors the living memory of all firefighters who have given up so much of themselves in service to their fellow South Dakotans. It also honors firefighters who have made the ultimate sacrifice. The firefighters inscribed on the memorial gave their lives to protect neighbors, friends, and those they never knew. They are the firefighters who answered their “last alarm.”

---taken from the words of Richard Hainje, Assistant Fire Chief.

Korean / Vietnam Veterans Memorial

The Korean/Vietnam Veterans Memorial is located near the Flaming Fountain on Capitol Lake. The monument, made of South Dakota granite, was dedicated on May 30, 1986, to honor 349 South Dakotans who died or who are missing in action in the Korean and Vietnam Wars.
Flaming Fountain

This well, drilled in the winter of 1909–1910, has a depth of 1,350 feet and flows at 1,620 gallons per minute with a water temperature of 92 degrees. It originally provided natural gas to the city of Pierre and was also used to heat the Capitol. In the late 1950s, the main lines rusted out and the well was abandoned. The natural flow stabilized the warm water lake. In the mid 1960s, the idea of a flaming fountain was conceived. The flame, as you see it, has burned since it was first ignited in August of 1967. Recently, the flame has burned inconsistently. Although the actual cause has not been determined by engineers, it most likely is from a diminished gas flow, a collapsed well casing, or a deteriorated well head. The cost to repair the fountain is prohibitive at this time.

World War II Memorial

The construction of a World War II Memorial on the Capitol grounds was announced in March 2000, by Governor William J. Janklow to pay tribute to all the past and present South Dakotans who contributed to the World War II effort.
South Dakota rallied to our country’s defense and provided vital support to the war effort on the front and the home front. South Dakota participated in many ways in the war effort, including:

- More than 68,000 South Dakota men and women enrolled in the armed services;
- Over 2,200 servicemen gave the ultimate sacrifice and never returned home;
- South Dakota was home to 7 military establishments during World War I;
- South Dakota was vital to the Red Cross and USO efforts to support our troops overseas;
- South Dakota continued its agricultural production to feed the country and our troops during World War II and for the world relief effort following the war;
- South Dakota supported the financing of the war by purchasing War Bonds; and
- South Dakota schools and teachers were vital to preparing students for entry into military service during the war years.

These men and women are our relatives and neighbors. They came from the farms and small towns across South Dakota to do what they could for our flag – for our country – for all of us!

The memorial is an everlasting monument to thank them and immortalize their bravery.
Korean War Memorial
Forgotten War – Remembered Heroes

The South Dakota Korean War Memorial portrays a brave American GI devastating enemy forces and artic weather during the Chosin Battle. The soldier is still fighting as he glances over at his fallen brethren, their names now upon a wall. He is low on ammunition, frostbitten, tired, and unshaven, but with a look of determination, he gives the soldiers a Centurion salute and completes his mission.

Unlike their comrades from World War II, the Korean veterans returned to life in the states without fanfare or acclaim. Even though Korean War veterans’ heroic efforts were not derided like those of the Vietnam Veterans, Korean War Veterans were often ignored by the American public. This was partly due to the political peace that never set a victorious outcome to the war.

Vietnam War Memorial

The South Dakota Vietnam War Memorial is a tribute to the veterans who returned home from the war to fight a sometimes more painful battle on the home front. The merits of the war were not just debated at podiums and in war rooms, but over dinner tables, in the streets, and in the field itself.

The South Dakota Vietnam War Memorial takes one soldier, as a symbol of the many South Dakotans who served during this violent conflict, and elevates him to the status they all deserve.
History
Black Hills State University was established by the Dakota Territorial Legislature in 1883, as Spearfish Normal School. By 1924, the school was authorized to adopt a four-year curriculum leading to a bachelor of science in education degree. Known informally as a teacher's college during the ’20s and ’30s, the name was officially changed to Black Hills Teachers College in 1941. On July 1, 1964, in recognition of the broadening educational opportunities offered by the college, the Legislature officially changed the name to Black Hills State College. The college’s role in the state’s higher education system has continued to grow and evolve over recent decades. The State Legislature changed the college’s name to Black Hills State University, effective July 1, 1989. Dr. Tom Jackson, Jr., became the university’s 10th president in July 2014.

Accreditation
The university is accredited by the North Central Association of Colleges and Secondary Schools; the Association to Advance Collegiate Schools of Business; the National Council for the Accreditation of Teacher Education; and the National Association of Schools of Music. The university is also a member of the American Association of State Colleges and Universities and the National Commission on Accrediting.

Objective
Black Hills State University is committed to maintaining academic excellence through 66 bachelor’s degree programs, as well as eight master’s degree programs and three associate’s degree programs. The curriculum is delivered through three colleges: Business and Natural Sciences, Education and Behavioral Sciences, and Liberal Arts. By virtue of its location in the Black Hills, BHSU has access to a multitude of outdoor field research sites and specialized laboratories where faculty and students work closely with scientists at a number of government agencies and private firms.

BHSU, the only comprehensive university in Western South Dakota and the third largest university in the state, has an enrollment of nearly 4,500 students from all 66 South
Dakota counties, 43 states, and 27 countries. Students attend classes at the Spearfish campus, in the state’s second-largest city at BHSU-Rapid City, and online.

The campus leads the region with sustainability efforts and academic programs in business, health sciences, education, exercise science, and natural sciences. It also places great importance on extending its human and physical resources to the people of the state and region. The university is home to the Sanford Science Education Center, the South Dakota Center for Enterprise Opportunity, the Center for the Advancement of Math and Science Education, and many other centers that provide education and outreach to the region.

Exciting initiatives in the Black Hills region include innovative changes in education, groundbreaking research at the world-class Sanford Lab, and emerging technology-related enterprises. BHSU takes an active role in these exciting ventures by providing leadership for math and science education; developing the BHSU Underground Campus at the Sanford Lab; offering unique cultural experiences, including the annual Lakota Omniciye Wacipi; and conducting useful and needed research for area businesses.

**Curricula**

**College of Liberal Arts:**

The College of Liberal Arts prepares undergraduates for teaching, graduate school, law school, or many other occupations. The College offers numerous extracurricular opportunities that encourage intellectual growth and a sense of community. Students enrich their learning experience through Honors, First Year Experience, and Study Abroad Programs and gain real-life experience through participation in the campus TV studio and radio station, award-winning newspaper, state-of-the-art photography darkrooms, and internships with local agencies and businesses. They also have the opportunity to get involved in faculty-mentored research projects in the humanities, history, social sciences, and math and present their research at the annual Black Hills Research Symposium. Opportunities to perform abound with band, choir, orchestra, and other ensembles and theatre productions throughout the year.

**College of Business and Natural Sciences:**

The College of Business and Natural Sciences is dedicated to delivering innovative instruction, mentoring, research, and service to develop business and natural science graduates who can compete effectively in a dynamic global environment.

The BHSU business program, one of the largest in the area, is in the Top 5% of business schools worldwide with AASCB accreditation. Faculty members are actively engaged in applied research and publication.

Students in the Natural Sciences have the unique opportunity to participate in research at the Sanford Lab, located only 15 minutes from the BHSU campus, as well as numerous other faculty-mentored research projects that provide them with hands-on lab experience.
**College of Education and Behavioral Sciences:**

The College of Education and Behavioral Sciences prepares competent, confident, and caring teachers for the 21st century. BHSU has the largest teacher education program in the state with high placement rates in South Dakota and the region. For over 100 years, Black Hills State University has demonstrated a strong commitment toward educational excellence through faculty dedication and student achievement.

Behavioral Sciences students are transformed by their experiences. Students participate in internships specific to their area of study, explore subject matter through faculty-mentored projects and research, and connect with others through student-led clubs and organizations to further discuss subject matter and interests.

**Majors:**


**Pre-professional:**

Students can earn their associate’s or bachelor’s degrees in a variety of disciplines and continue their education at the graduate or professional school of their choice: Agriculture, Chiropractic Medicine, Dental Hygiene, Dentistry, Law, Medicine, Nursing, Occupational Therapy, Optometry, Pharmacy, Physical Therapy, Physician Assistant, Renewable Natural Resources Management (emphases in Fisheries & Biology, Forestry, Range Management, and Wildlife Management), and Veterinary Medicine.

**Other Curricula:**

Two-year associate’s degrees are available in Applied Health Sciences, General Studies, and Tourism and Hospitality Management.
Graduate Curricula:

Graduate classes leading to an MBA (Master of Business Administration), Master of Science in Curriculum and Instruction (with emphases in Math Education, Science Education, and Education Technology), Master of Science in Integrative Genomics, Master of Education in Reading, Master of Science in Secondary Education, and Master of Science in Strategic Leadership are available. The University also offers a graduate certificate in Crisis Leadership and Emergency Management.

Course Delivery Options

BHSU accommodates place-bound adult learners by providing a variety of courses online and in the state’s second largest city, Rapid City, at BHSU-Rapid City. Many students use distance education options to complement their on-campus schedules; other students use them as their primary outlet. BHSU currently offers more than 130 courses online each semester and several programs are offered entirely online.

The Campus

The BHSU campus is one of the most beautiful campuses in the region. Today the Spearfish campus consists of 123 acres and 21 main buildings, as well as Ida Henton Park and Lyle Hare Stadium. Recent additions to campus include the Joy (Proctor) Krautschun Alumni/Foundation Welcome Center and Crow Peak Residence Hall.

The new Joy Center provides a dedicated space for alumni to gather and a place for both alumni and current students to network with more than 17,000 BHSU alums.

The Life Sciences Laboratory includes modern research laboratories and classrooms with clustered workstations for greater inquiry-based instruction and collaborative activities.

Clare and Josef Meier Hall, a state-of-the-art music and classroom building, includes a 280-seat recital hall, choir and band rooms, faculty studios, classrooms, soundproof practice rooms, keyboard, listening and piano labs, and faculty offices.

Five residence halls and an eight-building apartment complex accommodate nearly 900 students. The newest addition, Crow Peak Hall, connects two existing halls, Heidepriem and Thomas, with a central living area that includes a two-story great room, residential kitchen for student use, fireplace, snack area, and multimedia study rooms.

The Donald E. Young Sports and Fitness Center provides exceptional fitness facilities and a swimming pool, as well as classrooms and faculty offices.

The David B. Miller Yellow Jacket Student Union serves the social and recreational needs of the students. Woodburn Hall hosts the BHSU administrative offices, as well as the historic Woodburn Theatre. Jonas Hall houses most of the classrooms on campus.
Dakota State University has a tradition of innovation since 1881. It started with becoming the first teacher training institution in the Dakota Territory and educating some of the earliest teachers in the area. In 1984, the mission for Dakota State University was changed to emphasize computer technology and information systems in support of the state’s growing banking and financial services industry. The new mission completely revamped DSU from a liberal arts teachers’ college into an advanced university with focus on intensive information technology programs.

In 2004, DSU was the first campus in the State of South Dakota to put a tablet in the hands of all on-campus students with the Wireless Mobile Computing Initiative. It was also one of the first higher education institutions in the United States to utilize tablet technology in the teaching and learning process.

Dakota State University continues to hold a great focus on cutting-edge technology programs and other innovative educational endeavors. DSU has a broad national reputation for providing a dynamic, technology-rich learning and research environment. Its undergraduate curriculum includes an impressive list of tech-focused degree programs in:

**Associate of Arts**
- General Studies, A.A.

**Associate of Science**
- Business Management, A.S.
- Health Information Technology, A.S.
- Network and Security Administration, A.S.
- Respiratory Care, A.S.

**Bachelor of Business Administration**
- Accounting, B.B.A.
- Business Technology, B.B.A.
- Finance, B.B.A.
- Management, B.B.A.
- Marketing, B.B.A.
Bachelor of Science

- Biology for Information Systems, B.S.
- Computer Game Design, B.S.
- Computer Science, B.S.
- Cyber Operations, B.S.
- Digital Arts and Design, B.S.
  - Audio Production
  - Computer Graphics
  - Film and Cinematic Arts
  - Production Animation
  - Web Design and Production
- English for New Media, B.S.
- Exercise Science, B.S.
- Fast-Track (4+1) Graduate Program
- General Studies, B.G.S.
- Health Information Administration, B.S.
- Information Systems, B.S.
- Mathematics for Information Systems, B.S.
- Network and Security Administration, B.S.
- Physical Science, B.S.
- Professional Accountancy, B.S.
- Professional and Technical Communication, B.S.
- Respiratory Care, B.S.

Bachelor of Science in Education

- Biology Education, B.S.E.
- Business Education, B.S.E.
- Computer Education, B.S.E.
- Elementary Education / Special Education, B.S.E.
- Elementary Education, B.S.E.
- English Education, B.S.E.
- Mathematics Education, B.S.E.
- Physical Education, B.S.E.

In addition to its strong undergraduate degree programs, Dakota State University offers master’s degree programs in Analytics, Applied Computer Science, Business Administration, Educational Technology, Health Informatics, Information Assurance and Information Systems. DSU also offers a doctoral degree in Information Systems and recently launched a doctoral program in Cyber Security.
Dakota State has excelled in providing both undergraduate and graduate students ways to obtain their degrees without ever stepping foot on campus. Through programs offered at University Center – Sioux Falls, DSU makes many of its degree programs available to a non-traditional audience that requires a more flexible course schedule due to work or family commitments. As the only university in the state with a Respiratory Care program, offering both undergraduate Respiratory Care programs at Madison, Sioux Falls, and Rapid City. DSU has also been a pioneer in distance education, offering courses via the Internet since 1989. As of fall 2015, Dakota State offers more than 15 undergraduate programs and all of its graduate programs via online delivery.

**Leader in cyber security**

Dakota State University is a national leader in the cyber security field. DSU is one of the few schools in the nation with National Security Agency’s Center of Academic Excellence recognitions in Information Assurance Education, Research, and Cyber Operations (CAE-CO). DSU’s Cyber Operations program was the first undergraduate program in the nation to earn the CAE-CO designation.

The National Science Foundation’s Scholarship for Service and the Department of Defense Information Assurance Scholarship program awarded the DSU Cyber Corps Scholarship program $5.9 million in recent years. This program gives the best and brightest students in cyber security a full-tuition scholarship, an additional stipend to conduct technical security research with DSU faculty members and complete a security internship with the federal, state and local government agencies during the summer months.

**DSU graduates are in high demand**

Dakota State University regularly places 100 percent of its graduates in respiratory care, health information management, information systems, biology for information systems, elementary education, special education, and secondary education.
Salaries for graduates of DSU’s information systems degree programs are extremely competitive and, in some cases, exceed regional averages. Corporations, such as Wells Fargo, Schwan’s, Citibank, and Federated Insurance, regularly travel to the main campus to interview, recruit, and hire DSU graduates. Recruiters know they will find exceptionally well-trained professionals with inquisitive minds. They count on DSU graduates having above average technology skills and real world work experience.

Dakota State graduates enjoy an impressive 95 percent career placement rate in their field of study or continuing education. An impressive 50 percent of those graduates have been offered permanent positions by their internship employers. In addition, graduates who have taken internships earn a 25 percent higher starting salary.

**Partnerships and Outreach Highlights**

- CETUP*, the Center for the Theoretical Underground Physics and Related Areas, was created by DSU associate professor of physics, Dr. Barbara Szczersibska. It runs scientific research programs that bring physicists from around the world to collaborate on furthering physics research.
- DSU hosts GenCyber camps for middle school and high school students interested in cyber security and programming. The weeklong camp is provided to students at no cost and is funded by a grant from the National Science Foundation and the National Security Agency.
- The Center for the Advancement of Health Information Technology (CAHIT) is a combination of DSU faculty, outreach services staff, graduate assistants, and undergraduate students creating a statewide resource center to provide coordination for regional and statewide health information initiatives.
- CAHIT programs include:
  - HealthPOINT – A federally-designated health information technology resource and support center for all South Dakota healthcare providers. HealthPOINT assists in analyzing practice readiness and opportunities to achieve tangible results from the implementation and utilization of electronic health records.
  - Support for South Dakota HealthLink – Connects hospitals, federally qualified health centers, primary care providers, specialists, labs, and pharmacies, as well as public health and other state agencies.
  - Health Edventure – A popular K-12 health literacy website that combines web and print resources for students, teachers and parents. Cross-curriculum materials are designed to promote healthy habits while students are learning core subjects like math, science, geography, and language arts. A special fourth grade series called “SD Road Trip” is in use by over 1,000 fourth grade students in S.D.
- Health IT Training – The Health Information Technology Training Program prepares workers to fill certain roles within the healthcare and/or IT fields.
- The K-12 Data Center is located on the campus of Dakota State University and helps education entities enhance their technology. The Center offers technology services to South Dakota's K-12 educational community including public schools, tech schools, cooperatives, multi-districts, etc. The Center provides consistent, cost-effective services including email and calendars, email list services, web hosting, course management, streaming media, a help desk for the schools, and more.

Accreditations

Dakota State University is accredited by the following agencies:

- The Higher Learning Commission of the North Central Association of Colleges and Schools through the Academic Quality Improvement Program process;
- National Council for Accreditation of Teacher Education (NCATE) – Will undergo accreditation through Council for Accreditation of Educator Preparation (CAEP) in 2016. CAEP was created by a merger of NCATE and the Teacher Education Accreditation Council;
- South Dakota Department of Education;
- Accreditation Council for Business Schools and Programs;
- State Approving Agency as programs eligible for veterans’ benefits;
- Commission on Accreditation for Health Informatics and Information Management Education (CAHIIM); and
- Commission on Accreditation for Respiratory Care.

An excellent community environment

The picturesque campus is located on 22 acres in Madison, near two glacial lakes that provide year round recreation. In the spring and summer, water skiing, sailing, and fishing dominate the on-the-water activities. In the fall and winter months, visitors and residents find numerous opportunities for outdoor recreation including hiking and cross-country skiing.

The University campus is home to the Foundation of former U.S. Senator Karl Mundt, the Karl Mundt Library, and the Smith-Zimmermann Museum that are open to the public and a scenic campus with historical buildings. Dakota Prairie Playhouse is also part of the DSU campus and houses performing arts, conferences, trade shows, seminars, community functions, meetings, banquets, and more.
The Madison Community Center was established in October 2000, through a partnership with the City of Madison and Dakota State University. The Community Center provides wellness opportunities for city residents and DSU students alike. It features an indoor swimming pool, fitness center, double gym, multi-purpose gym, racquetball courts, family center, meeting rooms, childcare center, and locker rooms.

Vision: The path to the future starts here

Building upon its distinctive mission, DSU will become:

- The university of choice for those seeking a student-centered institution that offers innovative programs grounded in teaching, research, technology, scholarship, and service excellence;
- An academic community that serves as an economic engine in local, national, and global markets; and
- A campus recognized for its achievements in continuous quality improvement.

For more information about DSU, please visit dsu.edu or call 1-888-378-9988.
Northern State University
Aberdeen, South Dakota

Location

Northern State University (NSU) is a premier residential liberal arts institution characterized by outstanding instruction, extraordinary community relations, and unparalleled co-curricular opportunities. In August 2008, NSU was named for the second year in a row by US News and World Report as one of the best undergraduate public institutions in the Midwest.

Campus

Established in 1901, NSU has been a leader in higher education for more than 100 years. With a beautiful campus located in Aberdeen, outstanding faculty and more than 40 programs, NSU provides its students with an education that is based on the university’s commitment to excellence. The administration, faculty, and staff are constantly developing new and innovative ideas to meet the needs of our changing society, including several projects and updates which are currently underway.

In an effort to maintain NSU’s reputation as the statewide center for E–learning, the new Technology Center, which was dedicated in January 2007, electronically links over 900 students and schools across the state.

NSU has added new programs in sports marketing and administration, banking and financial services, and musical theater. Students who choose NSU experience more than just academics. NSU’s extracurricular activities include a wide variety of weekly entertainment and cultural events. Among student organizations, there are social and professional groups, community service and religious groups, student run publications, and campus government. With more than 75 clubs and activity groups, NSU is ready to help students pursue their talents and interests, as well as develop their leadership skills.

Northern State is home of the Wolves, who are affiliated with the NCAA on the national level and the Northern Sun Intercollegiate Conference on the regional level. NSU offers 18 Division II athletic programs. The university is also home to the NSU Marching Wolves, who have enjoyed a long and distinguished tradition of excellence at the regional and national level. NSU’s Men and Women’s Basketball Teams consistently lead the nation in home attendance for Division II.

Swisher Field, home to the NSU football and outdoor track and field teams, includes a 6,000 seat football stadium and artificial surface outdoor track. New in 2005, the facility includes field turf, a new computer operated scoreboard for football, and a lighted and paved parking lot. Other outdoor athletic facilities include an eight-court
tennis complex, a softball complex, and baseball field located minutes from the residential campus.

The Joseph H. Barnett Physical Education and Convocation Center is home to indoor sport activities. The center can seat more than 8,000 people and includes classrooms and laboratories for health, physical education and recreation classes, a 2,500 square foot weight room, and a six lane swimming pool. The main arena, which was named Wachs Arena in 1990, honors the legendary men’s basketball coach Bob Wachs. In 2009, the court inside Wachs Arena was named Don Meyer Court, honoring head men’s basketball coach, Don Meyer, who became the all-time winning men's coach in the NCAA.

As a demonstration of NSU’s commitment to serving students, the campus includes over 25 computer labs and has newly renovated the Science and Geo–Science labs in Fall 2009. NSU also houses its own Child Care Center located in Lindberg Hall. The Johnson Fine Arts Center is home to most of the campus civic and cultural events and the NSU Student Center houses many student activities. There are six residence halls on campus, with Steele and Kramer Halls offering suite style housing.

Statement of Purpose

Northern State University is a multipurpose, regional institution of higher education, authorized for the people of South Dakota by the South Dakota Legislature. Founded as a normal and industrial school to serve the northern part of the state, the university has diversified its offerings to address the emerging needs of the students, community, and region. Teacher preparation remains an important feature of the institutional mission, as do programs in the arts and sciences, business, and fine arts. Through undergraduate and graduate programs, the university provides quality teaching and learning. Distance delivery technology is a core mission in all degree programs, especially all levels of teacher preparation. Offering students a breadth and depth in the liberal arts and professional studies, the university develops effective and productive professionals and citizens. Northern State University has designed programs to meet academic, social, cultural and economic needs of the community and area, providing lifelong learning opportunities and is a center for the arts and recreation and support for regional development. Since 2008, the university began offering Banking and Financial Services and International Business courses at the University Center in Sioux Falls.

Accreditation

Northern State University is accredited by the Higher Learning Commission of the North Central Association of Colleges and Secondary Schools and the National Council for Accreditation of Teacher Education.
It is also accredited by the National Association of Schools of Music and is a member of the Council of Colleges of Arts and Sciences, the American Assembly of Collegiate Schools of Business, and the American Council of Learned Societies.

Northern State University is also a member of the American Association of State Colleges and Universities, the American Council on Education, and the National Association of Schools of Art and Design. The Carnegie Commission’s rating of the nation’s institutions of higher education (according to the scope of their programs) has classified Northern State University as a Baccalaureate College – Diverse Fields.

Curricula

Northern State University is a multipurpose, multilevel state institution operating on a semester basis and offering the following programs: 1) Bachelor of Arts degree with majors in the arts, humanities, sciences, and social sciences; 2) Bachelor of Science degree with majors in natural and social sciences; 3) Bachelor of Science degree in Education; 4) Bachelor of Arts degree in Music Education; 5) Master of Science degree in Education; 6) Master of Science degree in E–learning; 7) Associate of Arts; and 8) Pre–Professional Programs.

Enrollment

Undergraduate enrollment for the 2015 fall semester at NSU was 3,531.

For more information, please contact northern.edu or 605/626-3011
Since 1885, the South Dakota School of Mines & Technology has been a national leader in preparing world-class engineers and scientists. Award-winning undergraduate education is enhanced by graduate education and research and development in areas of critical need to South Dakota, the nation, and the world. Our graduates design, construct, and operate the most modern technology to meet today’s complex challenges and are held in the highest regard by their fellow leaders in industry, consulting, government, health, research, and education.

From geology and mining engineering to particle physics and atmospheric sciences, our graduates are in high demand. They have a sound foundation in their profession and most have real-world experience to make them highly competitive for the best paying jobs in America. Ninety-eight percent of our undergraduates have a job or place in graduate school upon graduation at an average starting salary of over $63,000.

Mission & Vision

The vision of the South Dakota School of Mines & Technology is to be recognized as an exceptional engineering and science university. Our mission is to prepare leaders in engineering and science, to advance knowledge and its application, and to serve the state of South Dakota, our region, and the nation.

Our strategic priorities enumerated in the Mines 2020: Strategic Vision and Plan are to prepare and educate an expanding and increasingly diverse student body; to reinforce and increase our research enterprise to elevate educational outcomes and economic development; to invest in human resources to move the institution forward; to define and acquire the critical resources to accomplish shared vision and strategic priorities through enhanced partnerships; and to ensure a legacy of excellence.

Location – South Dakota

There are few places that offer more incredible opportunities than South Dakota. With a healthy economy anchored in agriculture and tourism, the state is rapidly diversifying its economic portfolio. Science, medical, engineering, technology, and energy industries are rapidly expanding, making an impact in the region, the nation, and the world.

The Black Hills

One of the most historic and beautiful places in the Midwest, the million-plus-acre Black Hills National Forest and surrounding area is far more than Mount Rushmore and outlaw legends. The Black Hills boasts some of the best hiking, rock climbing, and mountain biking in the country, fabulous caves, remote canyons, abundant wildlife, forests, and
other natural attractions. A wealth of outdoor recreational opportunities like snowboarding, kayaking, mountain biking, fishing, snowmobiling, boating, and hunting are readily accessible.

**Majors, Degrees, and Academic Programs**

**Bachelor of Science Degrees**

- Applied Biological Sciences
- Applied & Computational Mathematics
- Chemical Engineering
- Chemistry
- Civil Engineering
- Computer Engineering
- Computer Science
- Electrical Engineering
- Geological Engineering
- Geology
- Industrial Engineering & Engineering Management
- Interdisciplinary Sciences
- Atmospheric Sciences
- Pre-Professional Health*
  - Accelerated Nursing*
  - Chiropractic
  - Dentistry
  - Medical Radiography
  - Medicine
  - Occupational Therapy
  - Optometry
  - Physician’s Assistant
  - Physical Therapy
  - Public Health
- Science, Technology & Society*
  - Pre-Law
  - Pre-Public Policy
- Mechanical Engineering
- Metallurgical Engineering
- Mining Engineering
- Physics

*Following graduation from Mines.
Minors

- Applied Biological Sciences
- Atmospheric Sciences
- Chemistry
- Computational Statistics
- Computer Science
- Environmental Engineering
- Environmental Science
- Geology
- Geospatial Technology
- Global Engineering
- Materials Science-Metals
- Mathematics
- Military Science
- Occupational Safety
- Petroleum Systems
- Physics
- Robotics
- Sustainability Engineering

Master of Science Programs

- Atmospheric & Environmental Sciences
- Biomedical Engineering
- Chemical Engineering
- Civil and Environmental Engineering
- Computational Sciences & Robotics
- Construction Engineering & Management
- Electrical Engineering
- Engineering Management
- Geology & Geological Engineering
- Materials Engineering & Science
- Mechanical Engineering
- Mining Engineering
- Paleontology
- Physics

Doctoral Programs

- Atmospheric & Environmental Sciences
- Biomedical Engineering
- Chemical & Biological Engineering
- Civil and Environmental Engineering
- Geology & Geological Engineering
- Materials Engineering & Science
- Mechanical Engineering
- Nanoscience & Nanoengineering
- Physics

Accreditation

The South Dakota School of Mines & Technology is accredited by the Higher Learning Commission (HLC), a commission of the North Central Association of Colleges and Secondary Schools. The HLC is the recognized accrediting agency for the north central states.

All SD Mines engineering programs are accredited by the Engineering Accreditation Commission of ABET, which is the recognized accrediting agency for engineering. The BS program in Computer Science is accredited by the Computing Accreditation Commission of ABET.

Additionally, the curriculum in Chemistry is approved by the American Chemical Society.

Faculty

The School of Mines has 147 faculty members, of which 90 percent hold doctorates or other terminal degrees. The student-to-faculty ratio is 14:1. Faculty members also carry out extensive research, bringing to the classroom the newest technologies and practices used in industry.

Student Life

Students have the opportunity to participate in any of the more than 80 student organizations on campus. Student activities and organizations range from music, drama, professional, cultural, sororities, fraternities, athletics, politics, service, religious, military, professional, and special interests.

Our students have represented the School of Mines at a variety of national and international events. The challenges provided in these and other competitions give students the opportunity to apply classroom theory to real-world engineering and science problems so they are ready to contribute to the workforce when they graduate.

Student Services

Through the Tech Learning Center, the Ivanhoe International Center, the offices of Multicultural Affairs, Retention and Testing, Student Affairs, and other efforts, we strive to provide all students with the tutoring, support, and services they need to succeed in college and in life. Our advising and mentoring services are designed to give students a personalized educational experience. Students can work with mentors and advisors to solve the academic and personal problems that can prevent students from graduating.
Research and Development

The South Dakota School of Mines & Technology is engaged in cutting-edge research in a number of important areas of science and engineering. These research activities provide students with special opportunities to become involved in discovery and invention and to participate in the excitement of developing new concepts that can make our world a better place.

The School of Mines fosters research to solve problems of industry, the military, and government agencies, as well as generate economic development. Our researchers are active in pursuing grants from businesses, federal agencies, and foundations to create new knowledge and bring high-tech benefits to the state and nation. School of Mines faculty members and researchers received funding for 121 projects totaling more than $19 million during the 2015 fiscal year. The funding came from many different agencies, including the National Science Foundation, the State of South Dakota, NASA, the Department of Energy, the Department of Defense, private industry, and many more.

Scientists from the School of Mines are collaborating with peers from around the globe in the search for dark matter and other experiments being conducted at the Sanford Underground Research Facility (SURF) in Lead. Our PhD program in physics continues to serve research endeavors at the Sanford laboratory.

Our research centers and laboratories include:

- Advanced Manufacturing Process Technology Transition & Training (AMPTEC)
- Arbegast Materials Processing and Joining Laboratory (AMP)
- Center for BioEnergy Research and Development (CBERD) NSF I/UCRC
- Center for Friction Stir Processing (CFSP) NSF I/UCRC
- Composite and Nanocomposite Advanced Manufacturing (CNAM)
- Composite and Polymer Engineering Laboratory (CAPE)
- Dakota Bioprocessing Consortium (DakotaBioCom)
- Direct Write Laboratory (DWL)
- Engineering and Mining Experiment Station (EMES)
- Experimental and Computational Mechanics Laboratory (ECML)
- Martin Paleontology Research Laboratory (MPRL)
- Repair, Refurbish & Return to Service Applied Research Center (R3S)
- Security Printing and Anti-Counterfeiting Technology (SPACT)
Outreach and Community Service

Continuously improving quality also means ensuring that we remain contributing members of our Rapid City community. Faculty, staff members, and students donate time and money to organizations and charities throughout the Black Hills. We have a responsibility to share our expertise, our resources, and ourselves to make this an even better place to live and we take that responsibility seriously.

A major goal at SD Mines is to assist our students in becoming civically engaged in their communities through the act of service. Each year, Mines students and staff members impact our local community through meaningful service projects. We believe it is important to prepare our students for their roles as citizens and leaders through community–based educational and volunteer experiences. During the 2013-2014 academic school year, our students logged over 10,000 community hours.

Some service partnerships include:

- Adolescent Substance Abuse Program (ASAP)
- Athletic summer camps
- Black Hills Works, Inc.
- Campuses Community Wellness Coalition
- Destination Rapid City
- Sanford Underground Research Facility
- South Dakota Transitions
- Engineering and science outreach to schools and businesses
- Engineers Week
- Feeding South Dakota
- GIRLS Day (Girls Into Real Learning Succeed)
- Rapid City Area Chamber of Commerce
- Rapid City Area Schools and Western Dakota Tech
- Rapid City Economic Development Partnership
- South Dakota Gaining Early Awareness and Readiness for Undergraduate Programs (SD GEAR UP)
- Storybook Island
- United Way
- WAVI
- Women in Science & Engineering
- Youth Programs and Continuing Education
Recognitions

The School of Mines has received numerous national and international recognitions. Faculty members are recipients of prestigious national awards, some of which include the U.S. Presidential Faculty Fellow Award and the CASE Carnegie South Dakota Professor of the Year Award. The university was named a 2012 Fulbright Top Producing Institution.

Students have received Goldwater Scholarships, Air Force Space Scholars, Hewlett Packard Scholarships, Gates Millennial Scholarships, and other prestigious awards. The university received the Boeing Outstanding Educator Award for 2000.

In addition, the School of Mines has been recognized for its support of veterans. *G.I. Jobs* magazine has named the university a “Military Friendly School,” and both *Military Times EDGE* and *U.S. Veterans Magazine (USVM)* have named the university a Top College for Veterans. The university was also presented the “Seven Seals Award” by the Department of Defense and Employer Support of the Guard and Reserve for “meritorious leadership and initiative in support of the men and women who serve America in the National Guard and Reserve.”

More than 78 percent of graduates increase their marketability to employers by conducting meaningful internships, co-operative education, or research experiences. This past summer, our students worked for 225 employers in 36 states and the District of Columbia, earning an average of $17.57 per hour.

The School of Mines also has been recognized as one of “America’s 100 Best College Buys” for 17 consecutive years, ranks #7 nationally in Value Colleges’ Top 50 Best Value Online Graduate Engineering Programs, and is ranked #25 by Payscale.com in the “Colleges Worth Your Investment” survey with a 30-year net return on investment topping $1 million.

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South Dakota State University
Brookings, South Dakota

South Dakota State University (SDSU) in Brookings continues to be a high-performing institution, offering a rich academic experience in an environment of inclusion and access through inspired, student-centered education, creative activities and research, innovation, and engagement that improve the quality of life in South Dakota, the region, the nation, and the world.

SDSU is the state’s Morrill Act land-grant university and its largest, most comprehensive institution of higher education. As the state’s flagship university, it attracts students from all 66 counties in South Dakota, all 50 states, and 81 countries. They can choose from more than 175 majors, minors, and specializations. The institution also offers 33 master’s degree programs, 15 Ph.D., and two professional programs.

David L. Chicoine, Ph.D., an SDSU alumnus, has been president of his alma mater since January 2007. Under his leadership, the university follows “IMPACT 2018: A Strategic Vision for South Dakota State University,” its current five-year strategic plan. The plan identifies four goals that draw on the university’s strengths and its commitment to excellence, creating a pathway to the future as a high-performing institution that delivers greater value to students and stakeholders:

- Academic Excellence — Promote academic excellence through quality programs, engaged learners, and an innovative teaching and learning environment;
- Research and Innovation — Generate new knowledge, encourage innovations and promote artistic and creative works that contribute to the public good and result in social, cultural or economic development for South Dakota, the region, the nation, and the world;
- Outreach — Extend the reach and depth of the university by developing strategic programs and collaborations and
- High-Performing University — Secure human and fiscal resources to ensure high performance through enhanced financial, management, and governance systems.

Some 2,800 administrators, faculty and staff (including part-time and student workers) carry out the day-to-day operations of the university to meet the needs of students, stakeholders, and the communities it serves and to achieve those goals.
Promoting Academic Excellence

Student success is at the core of academic excellence. At SDSU, it begins with recruiting academically prepared students who are ready to learn. It includes comprehensive student engagement centered on student and faculty interaction, in and out of the classroom. And it means immersing students in the learning process through experiential activities to deliver a quality education.

Committed faculty, rigorous curricula, engaged learning, academic support, and state-of-the-art facilities are ingredients for a quality education, hallmarks of academic excellence, and the foundation of an SDSU degree.

The university confers degrees through six colleges: Agriculture and Biological Sciences, Arts and Sciences, Education and Human Sciences, the Jerome J. Lohr College of Engineering, and Nursing and Pharmacy, as well as the Graduate School. Qualified students may enroll in the Van D. and Barbara B. Fishback Honors College.

In 2015, the American Association of University Professors announced SDSU had been recategorized as a Category 1 or doctoral-level institution for meeting AAUP guidelines in terms of number of doctorate recipients and the range in doctoral-level program offerings. SDSU has more than tripled the number of Ph.D. completions in less than 10 years, growing from 14 in 2006 to 47 in 2014.

In addition, SDSU offers nearly 40 nationally accredited, certified, or approved programs. Accreditation assures students of quality programs and indicates to employers that individuals have received instruction that meets national standards. To maintain accreditation, faculty and administrators stay informed about changes in practices within industries, as well as in approaches to teaching.

Van D. and Barbara B. Fishback, longtime supporters of SDSU, have committed $450,000 over the next three years to support enhancement of selected academic programs at the university. The fund will supplement existing university resources and support programs seeking first-time accreditation.

Endowed positions, supporting some of the best minds the university has to offer, currently stand at seven, moving toward a goal of 16. There are one each in dairy, economics, nutrition and pharmacy, the deanship of the College of Agriculture and Biological Sciences, and two in engineering.

High quality classrooms and laboratories, coupled with advanced technology learning tools, enable students to succeed and are often required to achieve program accreditation. The university is upgrading 99 classrooms across campus over five years as part of the Classroom Enhancement Initiative. The total cost will be $10.2 million, approximately $4.3 million of which is coming from existing resources with $5 million in private funds raised by the SDSU Foundation.

In a state as diverse as South Dakota, not every student arrives on campus with the same set of skills and experiences. One survey showed 38 percent of incoming students came from low-income families and more than 26 percent overall were from the first generation in their families to attend a college or university. Such students face barriers
other students may not. For them, it is critically important to start the learning process at their level—wherever that may be—and to make education relevant to their needs.

To support and facilitate their academic experiences, SDSU began its Student Success Model in 2010, offering a full range of support services including an extended orientation, first-year advising center, first-year seminar, living-learning communities, an early alert system for academic progress concerns, tutoring support, and much more.

The university also is leading the way with South Dakota Jump Start, an innovative initiative among the six Board of Regents institutions and Oglala Lakota College, located on the Pine Ridge Indian Reservation, to serve American Indian and low-income students. South Dakota Jump Start identifies and addresses obstacles students may face when considering and attending college and was among the U.S. Department of Education’s inaugural group of First in the World grant recipients.

Research and Innovation

As the state’s land-grant university, research has been a central part of the SDSU’s mission since passage of the Hatch Act of 1887, which established state agricultural experiment stations. SDSU has the most active university research program in the state with more than $58 million in total research expenditures in FY14, including more than $43 million from grants and contracts.

The Carnegie Foundation for the Advancement of Teaching has designated SDSU as South Dakota’s first High Research Activity institution. In 2014, SDSU was designated as the state’s first Innovation and Economic Prosperity University by the Association of Public and Land-grant Universities. Only 50 public universities nationwide have earned the APLU designation for their work with public- and private-sector partners in states and regions to support economic development. Those institutions use innovations and knowledge they generate to engage with communities, to form partnerships with industry, and to expand cultural and social opportunities, improving quality of life for the people and communities they serve.

SDSU researchers are the essential source of such innovations. They contribute to basic knowledge and also advance discoveries toward commercialization through translational research.

In addition to graduate research programs, undergraduate students also have research opportunities led by innovative faculty at SDSU, and through the Van D. and Barbara B. Fishback Honors College and the SDSU Journal of Undergraduate Research.

The university is the lead for the multi-institution South Dakota Research Innovation Center: the Biochemical Spatiotemporal NeTwork Resource Center. SDSU researchers
also participate in two other Governor’s Research Centers focused on materials and manufacturing led by the South Dakota School of Mines and Technology.

The Office of Technology Transfer and Commercialization (OTTC), assists researchers in commercializing intellectual properties and fosters collaborations between the university and industry partners. Over the last five years, OTTC has averaged $2.3 million in royalty and license income annually. Technology transfer performance in 2015 was fueled by 34 disclosures and 14 new intellectual property licenses.

Collaborations with the private sector help create new jobs and economic development, and offer students a wide range of experiential and employment opportunities such as internships. These employment opportunities for students results in a workforce with advanced skills and experiences that employers want and help graduates launch successful careers.

The Research Park at SDSU, the state’s first university-affiliated research park and business incubator, provides more than 1 million square feet of office space, laboratories, conference rooms, and greenhouses on 125 acres. As the leading research park in the state, it fosters collaboration and partnerships among SDSU, businesses, industries, and government, enabling technology transfer and stimulating economic development. In December 2014, Gov. Dennis Daugaard announced the Research Park at SDSU was approved by the Governor's Office of Economic Development as the first South Dakota Certified Technology Park.

**Outreach**

**SDSU Extension and iGrow:** In 1914, the Smith-Lever Act created a system of cooperative extension services to help transmit the knowledge, research, and innovations created in the nation’s land-grant universities to the people and communities that supported them. It was an idea almost as revolutionary as the Morrill Act, which created those land-grant institutions some 52 years earlier.

In recent years, SDSU Extension has reorganized to meet the needs of a changing world. Four years ago, SDSU transitioned its information-delivery system to a vibrant and responsive Web-based learning platform called “iGrow.” At the same time, a select group of discipline-focused field specialists were installed at eight regional centers. SDSU Extension continues to be a trusted source of research-based, unbiased information for the agricultural stakeholders in a world where (quoting SDSU Extension Director and South Dakota Corn Utilization Council Endowed Dean of the College of Agriculture and Biological Sciences, Barry Dunn), “community is defined not by counties, but by satellites and cell towers.”

Food and families—exemplified by the “Voices for Food,” a six-state, federally funded research project led by SDSU that seeks community-based strategies to increase access to nutritious food in isolated communities—along with community development, urban and rural programming, and other programs designed specifically to engage American Indian communities in South Dakota are areas of particular focus, chosen to empower citizens and help them to be more competitive in a growing global economy.
SDState Online: Comprising the university’s online education programs, SDState Online currently offers 30 online options, including 13 graduate and 7 undergraduate programs. It has achieved national distinction and local relevance by providing greater access to education for students across the state, throughout the country and around the world. In both 2013 and 2014, SDSU ranked among the nation’s most affordable online colleges, according to affordablecollegesonline.org.

One hundred percent of SDSU online programs are accredited by the Higher Learning Commission North Central Association.

South Dakota is among the top 10 states that provide 31 percent of all online enrollments across the country with SDSU among only 3.3 percent of U.S. higher education institutions that serve 3,000 or more online students.

SDSU International: Preparing students to live and work in today’s globally connected world means providing them with learning experiences that transcend the boundaries of campus. SDSU students expand their horizons by studying abroad, and the university is attempting to double the number of students studying abroad between 2013 and 2018, as part of a national initiative called “Generation Study Abroad.” Last year, 249 SDSU students studied abroad, with China the top destination. International students and visiting scholars also enrich the university. The number of international students has been sharply increasing over the last several years, with 680 degree-seeking students enrolled in 2014-15 (a 64 percent increase since Spring 2012).

International engagement also benefits the state economy. In 2013-14, international students brought $27.4 million in revenue to the state of South Dakota via 1,560 international students enrolled across the state. There were 222 jobs created or supported in the South Dakota state economy by international students and their families.

The South Dakota Art Museum, the first fully accredited museum in the state to be recognized by the American Association of Museums, has been a destination for people to enjoy the artistic legacy of South Dakota in all its diversity since 1970. The museum has more than 7,000 objects in its collection including the famed Harvey Dunn paintings of pioneer life and the exclusive Vera Way Marghab linens. Rotating exhibits feature paintings, drawings, photographs, sculptures, textiles, and ceramics from its collections, along with exhibits curated from regional, national, and international artists.

The South Dakota Agricultural Heritage Museum, in the historic former Stock Judging Pavilion, houses collections and exhibits that record and preserve the agrarian heritage of South Dakota, agricultural technology and rural life. It includes an extensive photograph and postcard archive and the South Dakota history library. Visitors attend the museum from all 50 states and many foreign countries.

McCrory Gardens is a research and education facility operated and maintained by SDSU and funded in part by donations from the Friends of McCrory Gardens, admission fees, special gifts, and endowment returns. It comprises more than 25 acres of flowers, trees, shrubs, and grasses in harmonious settings to display, educate, and further the development of new varieties. An additional 40 acres is dedicated to the South Dakota State Arboretum.
The Hilton M. Briggs Library serves students, faculty, staff, and the broader South Dakota community through its holdings of more than 1 million items, 32,000 online journals, 18,000 electronic books, and 80,000 maps. The library has served as a depository for federal documents since 1889. The archives and special collections encompass 7,500 linear feet of materials and 1,675 digitized items.

The Senator Thomas A. Daschle Congressional Research Study allows for public access to the career papers of Senator Daschle, a 1969 SDSU graduate. Located within the Special Collections area on the upper level of the Hilton M. Briggs Library, the papers consist of more than 2,000 linear feet of materials that document his 26-year career in the U.S. House and Senate from 1979 to 2005.

The American Indian Education and Cultural Center at SDSU is the nexus of cultural programming, services, and advocacy to support American Indian students, encourage appreciation of cultural and human differences and advocate for the inclusion of Indigenous knowledge.

The Animal Disease Research and Diagnostic Laboratory serves the state and region with timely and accurate veterinary diagnostic services. The staff performs a full range of diagnostic testing services to provide veterinarians and health officials with information they need to protect and improve animal and human health. The lab conducts more than 500,000 diagnostic test procedures annually.

The Geographic Information Science Center of Excellence is a collaboration between SDSU and the United States Geological Survey’s National Center for Earth Resources Observation and Sciences, or EROS. The center enables faculty, students and EROS scientists to carry out collaborative research on remotely sensed data sets to study the land surface and its modification over time.

The Performing Arts Center has emerged as one of the region’s finest facilities, given its acoustics, its flexibility, its popularity, and its bookings. The facility houses the 1,000-seat Larson Memorial Concert Hall and the 180-seat Fishback Studio Theatre for performance. The Roberts Reception Hall provides space for dinners and special events. An expansion of the Performing Arts Center—currently under discussion as part of the university’s Design and Master Plan—would add a full-scale proscenium theater and position the Performing Arts Center at SDSU as the premier entertainment destination in South Dakota and the Northern Plains.

Jackrabbit Athletics teams completed their transition to NCAA Division I status in 2008 with tremendous success. Take a look at what transpired during the 2014-15 season:
The men’s and women’s basketball teams both advanced to postseason play for the fourth-straight season. The women’s basketball team’s appearance in the NCAA Tournament marked the sixth time in seven seasons.

- The women’s soccer team qualified for the NCAA Tournament for the second time. It won its fourth regular-season Summit League title and 100th match as a Division I program during the season.
- For the third consecutive season, the football team tied the school record for most wins in a season (9) and won a first-round playoff game.
- Nearly 350 student-athletes recorded a 3.0 GPA or higher. Several student-athletes earned postgraduate scholarships, highlighted by Zach Zenner being named the top Football Championship Subdivision Scholar-Athlete and the Capital One Academic All-America® Team Member of the Year.
- The department won The Summit League Food Fight for the third-straight year by collecting 34,681.07 pounds of food and $5,540 that were donated to the Brookings Food Pantry.

The Alumni Association interacts each year with thousands of SDSU graduates at events in Brookings and from coast to coast. The alumni office has contact with more than 63,000 alumni in the United States, with more than 31,000 of those living in South Dakota. Hobo Day—the university’s annual homecoming—brings thousands of alumni and friends back to Brookings every year.

The SDSU Foundation is the recognized fundraising affiliate of SDSU. The Foundation has nearly $200 million in assets, including more than $100 million in endowed funds. The Foundation completed the largest comprehensive campaign for higher education in state history in 2013, securing $255,736,045 in financial commitments over a six-year period. That exceeded the campaign goal by 25 percent. The Foundation has a professional staff of 31.

A High Performing University

Ongoing changes to the physical campus—realizing goals set out in the university’s 2025 Design and Master Plan—are visible representations of the university’s continuing success and progress.

In the summer of 2014, Admissions, Registration and Records, and the Financial Aid office moved to the Enrollment Services Center, located in the renovated former Medary Commons, consolidating key student services in a single location. The new Architecture, Mathematics and Engineering Building—constructed using resources from the Higher Education Facilities Fund and private funding—opened for classes in fall 2015. And key parts of the Residential Life and Dining Services Master Plan were completed in 2013 with the expansion of the University Student Union, including the addition of new dining options, and the completion of four new residence halls, including a new residential life facility for the Van D. and Barbara B. Fishback Honors College.
The Sanford-Jackrabbit Athletic Complex—a competition and practice facility that includes the region’s only indoor 300-meter track, along with expanded strength and conditioning and sports medicine facilities—also opened in 2014, north of Coughlin-Alumni Stadium. Construction began in August 2014 on the new Dana J. Dykhouse Stadium. It is scheduled to open in fall 2016 on the site of the old stadium. The new facility will increase seating capacity to 19,340 and offer suites, loge boxes, and club seating.

**Just the Facts**

Founded in 1881, SDSU continues to serve South Dakota and the Upper Midwest. Today’s South Dakota State includes, based on the 2015-16 academic year data:

- 12,589 students (including more than 1,700 graduate and professional students) enrolled from all 66 counties in South Dakota, all 50 states, and 81 other countries;
- 7,404 students from South Dakota, composing 59 percent of the student body;
- A student/faculty ratio of 18.6:1;
- 73 majors, 31 specializations, 73 minors, 32 master's degree programs, 15 Ph.D. programs, and two professional doctorates; and
- A contiguous campus of nearly 280 acres in Brookings, named the safest college town in America in 2015, by SafeWise, a security firm. In addition, Brookings was ranked 12th on the company’s list of the "100 Safest Cities in America."

Those looking for more information on SDSU can visit www.sdstate.edu or contact the Admissions Office at (605) 688-4121 or University Marketing and Communications at (605) 688-6161.
The University of South Dakota  
Vermillion, South Dakota

The University of South Dakota (USD) is committed to excellence in education, research, and service. USD is home to the state’s only law and medical schools and the only College of Fine Arts in the region. Its professionally accredited (AACSB) School of Business and the College of Arts & Sciences makes it a center for liberal arts education. Three of the six Centers of Excellence in South Dakota are located on USD’s campus – Ambulatory Medical Student Education, the W.O. Farber Center for Civic Leadership, and the Disaster Mental Health Institute.

USD offers an outstanding educational experience in the heart of the Midwest. Founded in 1862, USD has a caring and dedicated faculty and staff committed to educational excellence. Students succeed in the classroom, earning some of the most esteemed academic awards and scholarships available. Since 2003, students from USD have demonstrated academic excellence by receiving many of the nation’s most prestigious scholarships, including Fulbright, Truman, Udall, and Goldwater Scholarships.

University students enjoy success after graduation. Alumni include 13 Rhodes Scholars; four sitting justices of the South Dakota Supreme Court; former NBC News anchor, Tom Brokaw; 10 South Dakota governors; television personality, Pat O’Brien; USA TODAY founder, the late Allen Neuharth; political commentator and public television anchor, Ken Bode; and author, Pete Dexter.

USD is also home to the National Music Museum, an icon on campus and an important research institution and attraction for visitors. The National Music Museum, which holds and displays more than 13,500 rare musical instruments, is one of the world’s finest collections.

Accreditation

Since 1913, the USD has been accredited by the Higher Learning Commission of the North Central Association of Colleges and Schools. USD offers a broad curriculum in liberal arts and professional programs in eight schools and colleges. Students choose from 206 undergraduate majors and thousands of course offerings each year. The Graduate School offers master’s degrees in 66 program areas and doctorates are available in 12 fields. USD also offers degree programs through University Center in Sioux Falls.
The School of Education and Beacom School of Business are two of the many nationally accredited programs at USD. Since January 1956, the USD School of Education has been fully accredited by National Council for the Accreditation of Teacher Education (NCATE). The School of Education holds NCATE accreditation for its initial teacher preparation program and advanced preparation for the continued education of teachers and the preparation of other professional school personnel. Other degree programs offered by the School of Education have also earned accreditation from various accreditation agencies.

USD’s Beacom School of Business holds an AACSB International Accreditation distinction which represents the highest standard of achievement for business schools, worldwide. Institutions that earn accreditation confirm their commitment to quality and continuous improvement through a rigorous and comprehensive peer review. AACSB international accreditation is the hallmark of excellence in management education and part of the school’s mission statement.

Faculty

The faculty’s dedication to teaching leads to productive collaboration between students and professors at both the undergraduate and graduate levels. This collaboration enables students to receive a diverse and challenging education.

USD has 453 faculty members, 82 percent of which hold the highest degrees in their respective fields. USD’s student–faculty ratio is 17:1, which means students receive plenty of one–on–one time with dedicated, innovative faculty.

Research

USD is a vibrant setting of innovative artistry and discovery, with research and creative activity opportunities in all disciplines across campus. In addition to individual research, the university hosts multi-disciplinary competitive research centers that foster academic excellence and spur economic growth.

USD is home to research that is not found anywhere else in the region. From the rich American Indian heritage of the state to the unique ecosystem of the Missouri River and the distinctive business climate of the state, USD researchers and students are afforded research opportunities not available in other areas of the country.

Key research strengths and facilities include the Missouri River Institute, Institute of American Indian Studies, Government Research Bureau, and South Dakota Small Business Development Center.
USD continues to expand its capacity to collaborate with industry. Our researchers participate in sponsored research and development and serve as consultants to manufacturing and business partners. An expanding portfolio of innovative technologies developed by university researchers is available to industry, creating a mechanism to give South Dakota businesses a competitive edge in a new economy.

Programs and Services
The past few years have seen a surge in total enrollment, with 10,061 students in the fall of 2014. A significant increase in total enrollment in the past several years can be attributed to various dynamics, including innovative recruitment strategies and a dedicated faculty and staff, as well as the generous contributions to scholarships through the USD Foundation.

Outside the classroom, students enjoy numerous opportunities. Students participate in more than 120 organizations and clubs, including the campus’ independent newspaper, The Volante, as well as the student run radio station, KAOR, and television station, KYOT. Others participate in student government, social fraternities and sororities and academic honorariums. Or, they can attend lectures by prominent individuals, such as Supreme Court Justice, Clarence Thomas; former Speaker of the House, Newt Gingrich; or USD alum, Tom Brokaw, formerly of NBC News. USD differentiates itself from other schools through signature programs: Undergraduate Research and Creative Activity, Honors Program, and First Year Experience, which allow students to study almost any topic imaginable and then present at national conferences and participate in academic travel programs. First Year Experience is designed to help first-year students succeed academically and socially through exciting classes, a network for personal support, and connections to faculty, staff and other students, as well as direct access to campus resources.

Undergraduate Research and Creative Activity increases undergraduate research awareness among undergraduates, faculty, and administrators at USD; stimulates research skills of undergraduates by providing opportunities for creative and scholarly activities; and encourages students to produce quality research presentations. The Honors Program provides talented students with a solid academic background, and then inspires through special seminars and individual projects that complement their chosen field of study. Interdisciplinary and service learning are a component of every undergraduate student’s experience.

DakotaDome
USD’s multipurpose DakotaDome is a 145,000 square foot facility featuring an indoor football field, five basketball courts, a 25-meter swimming pool, an eight lane, 200 meter track, volleyball and tennis courts, and a large weight room. The Coyotes provide quality intercollegiate athletic programs, competing in NCAA Division I athletics. Non–varsity
students can also become involved in an outstanding intramural program. Students use the DakotaDome to train, work out, and attend classes. In 2004, the DakotaDome underwent a major transformation, making it one of the region’s most flexible and fan friendly environments.

Currently under construction is a 6,000 seat basketball and volleyball arena and sports performance enhancement facility, which will also house the academic programs of physical therapy, occupational therapy, and kinesiology and sport sciences. A track and soccer complex is also part of the project. Subsequently, USD student–athletes, faculty, and the public will have more opportunity to experience an exciting, winning atmosphere.

Since the NCAA began awarding postgraduate scholarships to student athletes in 1964, USD has had 31 NCAA Postgraduate Scholarship recipients and two alternates for a total of 33. While the NCAA has no complete list of all-time postgraduate recipients, it is certain that the Coyotes rank among the top 50 schools in the country for the number of postgraduate scholarships.

South Dakota has 42 Academic All-Americans in school history who have combined to earn 52 Academic All-American honors.

Coyote track athlete, Alexa Duling, was a 2013 recipient of the prestigious Walter Byers Postgraduate Scholarship by the NCAA, awarded annually to one male and one female NCAA student–athlete in recognition of outstanding academic achievement and potential for future success.

Financial Aid and Scholarships

More than 80 percent of all USD students receive some form of financial aid through grants, loans, and work-study jobs. The USD is committed to ensuring that academically qualified students with financial need receive sufficient assistance to allow them to successfully complete their education. All students who meet USD’s admission standards are eligible for renewable, four year scholarships of up to $2,000 and two year grants of up to $1,000. Awards are based on the complete application portfolio. Factors considered include grade point average, academic rigor, ACT/SAT test scores, and other achievements.

Leadership

President James W. Abbott, USD’s first alumnus president, is a dynamic and aggressive leader. A life-long resident of South Dakota, Abbott grew up in Irene and Yankton, and has taught, practiced law, and actively managed various businesses. He is the former president and chief executive officer of Zylstra Communications Corporation in Yankton.
With President Abbott’s leadership, USD has developed a long range plan that has increased enrollment and addressed campus building needs. Renovation and construction of the Sanford School of Medicine’s Andrew E. Lee Memorial Medicine and Science Building was completed in 2008; the Theodore R. and Karen K. Muenster University Center opened in 2009 and was expanded in 2014; construction of the new business school building, Beacom Hall, was completed in 2009; Coyote Village, the university’s new apartment-style residence hall complex that opened in the fall of 2010; and the Wellness Center saw almost 3,000 people on its first day of operation in January 2011, including both students and community members.

Many agencies provide critical services to the state, including the Business Research Bureau, Government Research Bureau, State Data Center, Small Business Development Center, Speech and Hearing Clinic, and TRIO Programs. The USD sets the standard with its values of excellence in teaching and learning, advancement of knowledge, public service, freedom of thought and expression, and personal responsibility and development.

Colleges/Schools
College of Arts & Sciences

The College of Arts & Sciences is the intellectual foundation of USD, offering undergraduates and graduates a top-notch liberal arts education in the humanities, social sciences, and sciences. To fulfill its primary mission of serving the people of South Dakota and the region, the College of Arts & Sciences offers undergraduate and graduate degrees in a wide range of academic disciplines, provides an intellectual foundation for the entire university, delivers high-quality instruction through traditional and innovative means, advances knowledge through original research and scholarship, disseminates that knowledge through publication and classroom instruction, and serves the academic disciplines.

Beacom School of Business

The Beacom School of Business is the region’s leader in business education, offering a quality program that is fully accredited by AACSB International. At the undergraduate level, USD’s business students receive a well-rounded liberal arts foundation through general education courses, which combined with the business curriculum, prepares them with problem-solving skills, excellent communication, and critical thinking skills, which are in high demand in the global economy.
School of Education

The USD School of Education prepares and supports reflective professionals and leaders by creating, sharing, and applying knowledge. The school cultivates curiosity, creativity and critical thinking, and collaborates using project-based learning strategies. Innovative programs are offered, including the yearlong residency which was pioneered to allow students a full year of teaching experience incorporated into a four year plan. Graduates leave the programs as highly qualified and marketable educators.

College of Fine Arts

With state-of-the-art facilities and faculty comprised of dedicated teachers and working professionals, the College of Fine Arts combines high educational standards with extraordinary opportunities for real-world experience. As the only college offering the Bachelor of Fine Arts, Master of Fine Arts, Bachelor of Music, and Master of Music degrees in the state of South Dakota, there is a fit for every interest.

USD’s vibrant campus is active with music concerts, theatrical performances, and art gallery exhibits. More than 100 events a year are hosted for the campus and surrounding communities and Fine Arts faculty invite more than 80 guest artists to appear on campus annually to enhance the fine arts offerings. Princeton Review continues to rank USD as one of the best universities.

USD’s Department of Art, Department of Music and Department of Theatre are all accredited by their national associations, and have been for many decades. The quality of education provided has helped graduates go on to the concert stage, theatre stage, exhibition galleries, and graduate schools of note.

School of Health Sciences

The School of Health Sciences (SHS) develops scholars, practitioners and leaders in health and human services. SHS serves as the region’s premier, comprehensive school of health and human service professions, preparing students for interprofessional, collaborative practice that meets the workforce needs of the region, and innovatively moves health and human services forward. SHS students prepare for the future’s challenges by completing rigorous curricula firmly grounded in high quality inter-professional education that fosters whole body wellness utilizing an inclusive health care team. The SHS is committed to a global outlook and welcomes people from all backgrounds, embodying the value of inclusivity in its curricula, programs, policies, and facilities. Rich collaborations with health and human service systems, and civic and business partners at the local, regional, national, and international levels facilitate research and enhance students’ educational opportunities.

Sanford School of Medicine

The USD Sanford School of Medicine (SSOM) is dedicated to exceptional student education, providing thoughtful and inspirational pathways leading to Doctor of Medicine and Doctor of Philosophy in Basic Biomedical Sciences degrees. With a faculty noted for its clinical expertise and scholarship, our students emerge as highly proficient
physicians and health care leaders. The USD medical school has provided high quality medical education, and served as the only school of medicine in the state since 1907. The SSOM occupies advanced facilities in Vermillion and Sioux Falls. Students also learn at partner hospitals in Rapid City, Yankton, and Sioux Falls. Selected students voluntarily participate in the FARM program, in which they serve nine months in a rural South Dakota community. The school has been acknowledged as the nation’s top provider of rural physicians. Throughout its history, the medical school has distinguished itself as a leader in medical education, rural medicine, research, and innovation. This tradition of excellence continues, creating a vibrant, modern institution.

School of Law

The USD School of Law has a long and proud history. For more than 100 years, the School of Law has produced respected and educated lawyers, providing a solid education with seasoned faculty members who are experts in their respective fields. The intimate nature of the School allows faculty to provide personal, often one-on-one, attention to students. USD School of Law alumni make up a majority of the membership of the South Dakota Bar. Countless federal court judges and trial court judges across South Dakota and other states are graduates of the USD School of Law including four sitting members of the South Dakota Supreme Court and one current member of the Iowa Supreme Court.

Graduate School

The USD is the largest provider of graduate education in the state of South Dakota, with 66 graduate and professional programs. Graduate and professional students play an integral role in the education, research, and creative scholarship at USD. USD's graduate faculty is competitive in research and creative scholarship and offer individualized attention to graduate students. Research and creative scholarships are an integral part of the USD's mission and an important facet of most graduate education programs. Faculty and students pursue research in vitally all academic departments on campus, and, in many cases, research or creative scholarship is a required portion of a graduate degree program. Additionally, there are many interdisciplinary and mission-oriented institutes on campus that carry out research.
South Dakota School for the Deaf
Sioux Falls, South Dakota

History

The South Dakota School for the Deaf (SDSD) has continuously provided education and support services to students with hearing loss since it was first established in 1880. Initially all services were provided on the campus in Sioux Falls. In 1977, SDSD began serving students attending public schools, as well as their teachers and parents. The school was originally governed by the Board of Charities and Corrections; in 1943 they were placed under the control of the South Dakota Board of Regents through a constitutional amendment.

Educational Programs

SDSD serves children from birth to age 21 (or high school graduation). Children are no longer served in on campus programs preschool through high school. Because there are so many different educational options for children with hearing loss, it would be impractical for SDSD to offer programs using each method. Instead SDSD has elected to offer two high-quality programs for children who are deaf or hard of hearing, as well as expanding support for students enrolled in public and private school programs.

Auditory / Oral Program in the Brandon Valley School District

SDSD’s Auditory/Oral Program serves children who are deaf or hard of hearing, pre-school through fifth grade, who use hearing aids and/or cochlear implants to maximize access to spoken communication. Students enrolled in this program are expected to develop spoken English as their first language and also receive education focusing on speech, listening, and independent device management. This program began in 2009, and continues to be a great resource for students.

Bilingual / Bicultural Program in the Harrisburg School District

SDSD’s Bilingual/Bicultural Program serves children who are deaf or hard of hearing, preschool through graduation, who use American Sign Language (ASL) as their primary mode of communication. Students enrolled in this program are expected to develop expressive and receptive ASL skills and also receive education focusing on the acquisition of English skills for reading and writing. Students may use hearing aids and/or cochlear implants to maximize access to spoken communication and would then also be expected to work towards independent device management. This program began in 2010, in Harrisburg.
A State Resource

SDSD serves as a state resource center by providing multi-disciplinary assessments, consultation, and personnel training for local school districts when the decision is made to serve the child who is deaf or hard of hearing within the district. Regional Outreach Consultants observe students, assist with listening technology, share educational strategies, and provide recommendations to support the child’s learning in the classroom.

The SDSD team provides student evaluations and hearing testing on the campus in Sioux Falls, and hearing screenings statewide using the mobile hearing lab.

The SDSD Outreach Consultants are typically among the first contacts for South Dakota parents and local schools when there are questions relating to hearing loss. These staff members are highly trained professionals who can provide training and resources for schools and families. Regional student and family activities are planned throughout the year including a family sign class, teen and elementary social groups, and family day activities.

SDSD uses distance learning technology to enhance meetings with parents and school district staff and the SDSD website provides information related to programs and services, as well as information regarding hearing loss (www.sdsd.sdor.edu). SDSD partners with other agencies and groups to maximize service delivery.

For further information regarding the programs and services call (605) 367-5200.
For over one hundred years the South Dakota School for the Blind and Visually Impaired (SDSBVI) has provided educational services and programs to students, parents, and local school districts in South Dakota.

From the very beginning, the emphasis of instruction was to provide students with vision loss an equal opportunity for an education. In addition to academics, students are taught the skills that help them to be successful at work, home, and in the community.

Today, the SDSBVI serves students in local schools statewide, as well as offering educational programs for Kindergarten through 21 years of age on campus in Aberdeen. As the vision specialists for the state, SDSBVI personnel administer evaluations, provide books and classroom materials, conduct awareness and training programs, and provide consultation in areas ranging from preschool intervention to technology and transition.

The South Dakota School for the Blind was opened on March 1, 1900, in Gary, South Dakota, under the jurisdiction of the Board of Charities and Corrections. On July 1, 1945, the school was placed under the governance of the South Dakota Board of Regents. In 1959, the Legislature appropriated funds for construction of a new school in Aberdeen near Northern State University (NSU). Classes began in the new building on September 18, 1961. The name of the school was changed in 1970 to the South Dakota School for the Visually Handicapped. In 1979 the mission of the school was expanded to include deaf-blind students, as well as those who were blind or visually impaired. On July 1, 1999, the school’s name was changed to the South Dakota School for the Blind and Visually Impaired, as it is known today.

The school is accredited by the State of South Dakota and is in compliance with state and federal laws and regulations governing special education. The National Accreditation Council for Agencies Serving the Blind and Visually Handicapped has accredited the school since 1980. In 1994, the SDSBVI became the first school in the state to be accredited by the North Central Association in the Special Function Schools category.
On Campus Program

The South Dakota School for the Blind and Visually Impaired provides an academic program for students from preschool through high school. In addition to the subjects traditionally taught in public schools, special emphasis is given to adapting teaching materials and methods to meet the unique needs of blind learners. For students who require services through age 21, an individualized transition program is provided.

Teaching the Expanded Core Curriculum of blindness skills is particularly important. Braille, orientation and mobility, daily living skills, low vision utilization, assistive technology, social skills, recreation and career awareness are a regular part of this expanded curriculum. Certified teachers of the visually impaired and residential staff members have extensive experience teaching the skills of blindness. Certified Orientation and Mobility Specialists® teach students to travel safely and independently. Certified Low Vision Therapists® teach students to use magnification and lighting to maximize remaining vision.

Older students spend time living on location in campus apartments to hone their adaptive skills of independence with a completely individualized education program, designed annually for each student. Parents, students, our vision specialists, and local school district representatives are all involved throughout this process.

The SDSBVI places strong emphasis on involvement in the wider community. The school works with the Aberdeen public and parochial schools to have students take classes with their sighted peers. In addition, the Hub Area Multidistrict Vocational Center, Aberdeen Adjustment Training Center, and NSU have provided additional opportunities for expanded educational enrichment. Community based education, recreation, and employment experiences help students to acquire skills that will last a lifetime.

During June and July, enrolled students can continue their programs through the summer period to prevent regression of skills. Students from public school programs can use this time to work on the specialized skills in the Expanded Core Curriculum, which may not be available during the regular school year in their local districts.
Outreach Program

The SDSVBI provides service to blind, visually impaired, and deaf-blind students statewide through evaluation, consultation, staff development, and shared resources.

Multidisciplinary Evaluations conducted by the SDSBVI staff are available for students enrolled in public school programs at no cost. The team of vision specialists evaluates the child’s strengths and needs and makes specific educational recommendations for their educational program.

Outreach Vision Consultants travel the entire state to work with parents and school district personnel. They provide information on appropriate teaching methods and classroom adaptations, loan equipment and teaching materials, provide training for students and staff, and generally serve as a support for parents and teachers.

Transition Specialists work with students, parents, local, and adult service providers (especially service to the blind and visually impaired) to develop realistic post high school plans and ensure that the student has the experiences needed to prepare them for further education, vocational training, or employment.

SDSBVI personnel provide staff development and community presentations on a variety of topics related to blindness. Increasing public awareness of vision loss and the employment potential of blind people is part of the mission. Cooperative efforts with NSU have made it possible to develop online courses for teachers and paraprofessionals that can be accessed on the internet, which can lead to endorsements through the Department of Education. The SDSBVI professional library collection and specialized materials are available for interlibrary loan. The collection may be accessed on the South Dakota Library Network.

Any student under the age of 21 who has a vision loss that makes it difficult or impossible for him or her to carry on satisfactory class work is eligible for services from the SDSBVI. The services provided are determined by the individual’s needs and may include evaluation, consultation services, or placement at the school in Aberdeen. The SDSBVI serves day students and has a residential program for students who do not live within easy driving distance. All services provided by the South Dakota School for the Blind and Visually Impaired are without charge to local schools or parents. Out–of–state students can be served on a tuition basis.

We encourage you to visit the school when you are in Aberdeen. We would be happy to give you a tour and talk about our services.

http://sdsbvi.northern.edu  ●  888/275-3814
The South Dakota Human Services Center (HSC) is a licensed specialty hospital with 301 beds. HSC serves South Dakotans ranging from adolescents to geriatrics, providing inpatient psychiatric and chemical dependency treatment. The average daily census for fiscal year 2015 was 233, compared to 231 in fiscal year 2014. In fiscal year 2015, there were 1,960 admissions, whereas in fiscal year 2014, there were 1,848 admissions. The fiscal year 2016 operating budget for the Human Services Center is $47,285,228.

HSC began serving patients ten years before South Dakota achieved statehood. According to historical records, Territorial Governor William A. Howard was notified that Dakotans needing care could no longer be served in neighboring states. The other states’ efforts were concentrated on providing adequate care for their own people settling in the region. Governor Howard, at his own expense, purchased two vacated buildings and had them moved north of Yankton and the Center began in 1879.

A State Penitentiary Trusty Program was initiated on the Human Services Center campus in fiscal year 1978. Ten penitentiary inmates were assigned to the Human Services Center to assist with farm and dairy operations. The program has proved to be successful and has a current census of approximately 250. Of this population, 100 trusties are assigned to various departments at HSC, including food services, laundry, grounds maintenance and custodial services.
Today, the Center is located in a state of the art inpatient treatment facility, also known as the Mickelson Center for the Neurosciences, which opened in October of 1996. It is located on the northern part of the HSC campus. In 2010, the hospital completed a 4,000 sq. ft. addition to the admissions area. In early 2012, a 20,000 sq. ft. dietary services building was added to the hospital.

Aerial view of South Dakota Human Services Center North and South Campus.

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Mission

The mission of the South Dakota Developmental Center is to provide individualized treatment services and supports to people with developmental disabilities and challenging behaviors only when appropriate services are not available in a community setting.

The South Dakota Developmental Center (SDDC), a residential intermediate care facility for the developmentally disabled, is a division of the Department of Human Services. Established by an act of the legislature in 1899, SDDC was opened for admissions in 1902. The census reached an all-time high of 1,199 in 1963.

The SDDC population is projected to stabilize in the area of 160 people. The population decrease, from the high of approximately 1,200 in the mid-1960s, is a direct result of the establishment of community based service providers in various cities throughout the state. These community based service providers have enabled people to live closer to their families and obtain services in less-restrictive community settings.

SDDC’s ninety-acre campus is located on state-owned land adjacent to the northwest city limits of Redfield. Persons served at SDDC spend the majority of their time between the twenty residential living areas, an Activity Center, All Faiths Chapel, vocational training centers, the Grace Schaefer School, and a Food Service building. Administration and Granite office buildings, as well as Health Care Services and Environmental Services Buildings, which include a powerhouse, water plant, laundry, maintenance, and carpenter shop and warehouses, are also on the campus.

Provision of Services

SDDC takes the Interdisciplinary (ID) Team approach to provision of services. Program development for each person begins with thorough evaluations and assessments in all areas of daily living, with recommendations being addressed by an ID Team. The ID Team, including the person supported, determines which combination of therapies,
activities, training, and services are needed to enable the person to progress to his/her highest level of independence. All services are monitored and revised as needed throughout the year to continually meet the needs of the person.

The needs and abilities of the people residing at SDDC are quite diverse. Serving a population ranging from 12 – 77 years of age with varying degrees of disabilities, the service delivery system offers a variety of treatment environments. Based on the needs of each person, development may focus on the areas of personal care, social interaction skills, behavioral impulse control, making appropriate choices, domestic skills, etc. Depending upon the person, techniques may be utilized to enhance sensory motor skills, responses to stimuli, orientation to one’s environment, etc. Vocational and educational training are also offered. SDDC further encourages and makes every effort to maintain positive and appropriate family interaction.

Services are provided to each person in one of twenty residential living areas (modules) within the three program areas. Each module is composed of age-appropriate peers with similar abilities: Program One serves adult men; Program Two, also known as the Turtle Creek Youth Program, is comprised of male and female adolescents; and Program Three provides services to men and women of varying ages and skill levels.

**Program One**

This module focuses on increasing people’s understanding of how their behaviors affect themselves and others, as well as helping people receive support to learn to accept responsibility for their own behavior and aid people in replacing negative behaviors with positive behaviors.

Intensive Treatment Services is an additional component of the program area, which is designed to proactively and effectively ensure people are supported and supervised through the use of individualized risk management plans.

**Program Two**

Program Two provides services for up to 40 youth. This year round educational and residential program is for behaviorally challenged youth, ages 10 to 21. Youth with educational needs are enrolled in and receive their education through the Redfield Public School system.

To meet admission criteria the youth must have a developmental disability, display behaviors that are dangerous or cause concern for the child or others, and have unsuccessfully received treatment in a less restrictive environment. The State Placement Committee approves all admissions to the Turtle Creek Youth Program.

**Program Three**

Program Three provides supports and services to adult men and women with developmental disabilities who have significant mental health and behavioral issues, thus requiring a highly structured and supervised environment. This program also provides
supports and services to adults who benefit from the living environment of the “Cottages” because of better accessibility for older persons and/or those with physical challenges.

Two of the modules in Program Three are equipped with proximity locking systems, which provide a safe living environment for persons who may wander from the area and who lack appropriate safety skills.

**Opportunities**

The Center provides a wide variety of training and vocational opportunities both on and off campus. On campus training includes recycling, woodworking/crafts, meter salvage, packaging bird seed and golf tees, spin art, producing note pads and bookmarks, as well as looming rugs from material remnants. The people receiving services operate a driving range, grow starter plants for resale, deliver mail on campus, stock nourishments, and work in the campus laundry, canteen, and gift shop. The facility has also obtained *contract work* with outside entities for assembling and packaging bottom bouncers.

Recognized as an integral part of everyone’s life, opportunities are provided for socialization and participation in recreational activities. People may choose to participate in activities such as attending movies, dances, religious services, sporting events, field trips and picnics. Other favorites include swimming, exercising, shopping, dining out, fishing and boating, excursions to the library, and home visits.

The philosophy under which SDDC operates focuses on providing the care, guidance, opportunities and support necessary for each person to progress to his/her highest level of independence. More detailed and comprehensive information concerning SDDC is available upon request from the Director’s Office.

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The Dakota Territorial Legislature met in February of 1889, and, while in session, they passed a bill establishing the Dakota Soldiers’ Home to be located in Hot Springs, South Dakota. The bill carried an appropriation of $45,000 for construction with the objective for the Home to provide care for veterans.

On October 3, 1998, Governor William J. Janklow and Major General Philip Killey dedicated the South Dakota Veterans Home to Medal of Honor Recipient, Michael J. Fitzmaurice. Fitzmaurice received the Medal of Honor for “conspicuous gallantry and intrepidity of action at the risk of his life above and beyond the call of duty as a Specialist Four, United States Army, Troop D, 2nd Squadron, 17th Calvary, 101st Airborne Division at Khe Sanh, Republic of Vietnam, March 23, 1971.”

The mission of the Michael J. Fitzmaurice Veterans Home is to honor and serve South Dakotan veterans by providing high-quality care in a setting that promotes dignity and independence in a home-like environment.

On September 25, 2013, veterans and government leaders gathered in Hot Springs for a groundbreaking for the state’s new Veterans Home. Veterans moved into the new home in November 2015.

The new Michael J. Fitzmaurice South Dakota Veteran's Home is a 133,000 square foot stacked two-story, 100-bed facility. The living spaces are broken into eight neighborhoods housed in eight wings, with each neighborhood having a living room, dining room, and kitchen area.
Residents have access to physical therapy, speech therapy, fitness, recreational opportunities, and workshops. The town square offers a bistro, post office, pharmacy, barber shop, and community room.

This new facility contains energy efficient heating and cooling systems, and low flow-fixtures to reduce water consumption, as well as many windows to bring natural light to the interior spaces. The biomass boiler system uses local wood chips as a fuel source which reduces annual fuel costs.

Michael J. Fitzmaurice Metal of Honor Monument
The origin of the South Dakota State Fair, the front ranking state exposition, was an act of the Territorial Legislature in 1885. This act created the Board of Agriculture for the purpose of “forwarding agriculture, horticulture, manufacturing, and the domestic arts.” The fair traveled to various communities within the state for a number of years and finally found a permanent home in Huron in 1905, when the Central and North Western Railway Company deeded 85 acres to the state of South Dakota for the purpose of establishing the State Fairgrounds. To the original tract of land, 66 more acres were added in 1912 and 19 acres west of Lincoln Avenue bringing the total to 170 acres.

The South Dakota State Fairgrounds is an extremely versatile property. The fairgrounds is the home of South Dakota’s premiere family and agricultural event of the year – the South Dakota State Fair – and hosts interim events throughout the remainder of the year. The South Dakota Outdoor Expo, Wheel Jam and the South Dakota Women’s Expo – three major fairground events – are quickly growing in notoriety throughout the state. All three events are coordinated by South Dakota State Fairgrounds staff.

In 2004, the fair changed from July to September. With schools in session during the fair, the fair staff decided they wanted to be part of helping education by providing something unique and educational for students. State Fair staff met with educators for ideas on creating and implementing an Education Program for the fair. This program has been very successful, bringing over 1,000 students to the grounds each year. The Fair tries to provide educational shows and exhibits that many of the schools and districts may not be able to afford. The Fair has had displays, such as the NASA Space Trailer, Science on the Move, Mammoth Site, and
Ag in the Classroom. Shows, such as the Marcan Tigers of India, Kachunga the Alligator, and the Live Shark Encounter, give students the opportunity to see and learn about some very unique animals.

With 90 buildings on the grounds, 1,256 campground sites, park areas, grandstand facilities, and parking, event possibilities are unlimited. The fairgrounds is capable of hosting events such as rodeos, livestock shows, cutting and reining, barrel racing, craft and novelty shows, auctions, Christmas shows and activities, art shows, conferences, school and family reunions, and car and bike shows – almost any event imaginable.

The South Dakota State Fair is under the Department of Agriculture, specifically the Secretary of Agriculture. The State Fair Commission is created within that department and acts in an advisory capacity to the Secretary of Agriculture. The commission may consist of up to thirteen members appointed by and serving at the pleasure of the Governor. Seven of the members may be appointed at large; an additional six members may be appointed from each of the following: 4-H Clubs of South Dakota, a resident of the city of Huron, a resident of Beadle County, a vendor, an exhibitor, and an employee of the South Dakota State University. Not all of the commission members may be of the same political party.

The promotion of agricultural, industrial, and youth activities continue to be the primary mission of the fair. The fair is a stimulus for surrounding commerce as the “showcase” for South Dakota businesses. The fair also continues to be one of the last truly “agricultural” fairs in the nation.

The annual state fair begins the Thursday prior to Labor Day and ends on Labor Day, running for five days. The state fair administration office is open Monday through Friday, 8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m., closed on holidays. They can be contacted by phone at (605) 353–7340, by mail at 890 3rd Street SW, Huron, SD, 57350, or through their website www.sdstatefair.com.
The State Treatment and Rehabilitation Academy (STAR Academy) for juveniles is located in the former South Dakota Developmental Center, approximately four miles south of Custer on Highway 385.

The youth that are served by the STAR Academy have all been placed in the custody of the Department of Corrections by the court system. Both delinquent children and Children in Need of Supervision may be placed at the STAR Academy at the direction of the Director of Classification. Children in Need of Supervision must also be reviewed by a state level review team comprised of representatives from the Department of Social Services, Department of Human Services, Department of Education, Unified Judicial System, and the Department of Corrections.

Programs for male juveniles include the General Patrick Henry Brady Academy and the Youth Challenge Center. The QUEST program for girls is also part of the STAR Academy.

The education program at STAR Academy operates as an accredited high school. Students may also earn a GED if they are significantly behind in their education and do not intend to return to the public school system. Special Education services are also provided at STAR Academy. Individual and group counseling is provided, with emphasis placed on Cognitive Behavioral Therapy and Corrective Thinking models. Chemical dependency, mental health, and medical services are also provided at STAR Academy.

The Department of Corrections has identified the major areas that are required to be a successful individual and is committed to assisting the students at STAR Academy:

- Instill and promote self-reliance, self-confidence, self-discipline, self-respect, respect for authority, respect for others, teamwork, skill acquisition, responsibility, and pride in accomplishment;
Promote personal growth by developing a work ethic and acquiring personal hygiene habits and social skills;

- Enhancement of overall physical and mental wellness;
- Promote functional family discussion through continued family involvement;
- Develop the knowledge and skills to establish positive relationships;
- Recognize and develop empathy and compassion for others;
- Develop skills to meet their basic needs; and
- Learn the skills required to succeed in the community.

Patrick Henry Brady Academy

The Patrick H. Brady Academy Program is designed to improve the quality of life for young men through a short term comprehensive approach that includes counseling, education, life skills development, substance abuse services, and positive role modeling for participants. The Brady Academy utilizes a highly structured program to deliver these services.

Each student will progress through a series of levels comprising elements necessary to successfully complete the program. Students in all phases are required to participate in educational services and counseling sessions throughout their stay in Brady Academy.

An individualized treatment plan is developed for each youth within three weeks of arrival. The student, parents, guardians, Juvenile Correction Agent (JCA), and counselor are all involved in identifying strengths and needs of each student. Each plan consists of goals and objectives for the student to address during their placement. Specific time frames are established to allow students to measure their progress against the established plan.
QUEST Program

The QUEST Program is designed to improve the quality of life for female offenders through counseling, treatment, and education.

QUEST serves girls that have been physically or sexually abused or have significant chemical dependency issues requiring a level of treatment that is generally not available within a community setting.

Youth Challenge Center

The Youth Challenge Center program is designed to improve the quality of life for young men through a comprehensive approach that includes counseling, education, life skills development, substance abuse services, vocational training, and positive role modeling for participants.

Length of stay is determined by the treatment needs of the juvenile and involves the students participating in counseling, life skills development, educational classes, physical activity, learning structure, and self-discipline. Each student will progress through a series of levels comprising elements necessary to successfully complete the Youth Challenge Center program. Students in all levels are required to participate in educational services and counseling sessions throughout their stay.

Performance Based Standards Project

The Department of Corrections Juvenile Division participates in the Performance based Standards (PbS) Project administered by the Council of Juvenile Correctional Administrators. All three STAR Academy Programs participate in the PbS Project and have integrated into the project the community–based juvenile corrections agents in regards to reintegration standards.
The PbS Project ensures quality care in its facilities, as it pertains to conditions of confinement and as it relates to reintegration standards for youth transitioning back to the community.

The main goals of the PbS Project are to:

- Develop a set of standards that individual facilities should strive to meet;
- Create tools to help facilities attain these goals through regular self-assessment and self-improvement;
- Allow facilities to evaluate their performance over time and in comparison to other facilities nationwide; and
- Promote effective practices and help facilities support each other.

Twice each year, site coordinators at each program gather data, to include an administrative report that assesses daily population and human resource data, such as staff misconduct, file reviews of all juveniles who were released to aftercare during the month of data collection, direct interviews with juveniles and direct care staff from each facility, review of all incident reports that occur in all participating facilities during the month of data collection, and collection of reintegration information provided by each juvenile’s JCA.

The data collected is included in an annual report to the Governor and Legislature.

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West Farm
Sioux Falls, South Dakota

The West Farm, located approximately seven miles west of Sioux Falls, is a juvenile transitional care facility for boys ages 14 to 17 who have completed correctional placement and are transitioning back into the community to work, secondary or postsecondary education, independent living, or the military.

The West Farm was originally a working farm for the South Dakota State Penitentiary. The prison farming operation ceased in 1997. The state converted the buildings into a juvenile transitional care facility that opened in 1998.

Volunteers of America – Dakotas, a nonprofit organization based in Sioux Falls, operates the program as a Title XIX (Medicaid) Group Care Center through a contract with the State of South Dakota.

Volunteers of America focus on providing:

- Residential services with a homelike environment with 24-hour supervision, guidance, and transportation services;
- Treatment services to address issues, such as education, mental health, behavior, employment, chemical dependency, and vocational;
- Case management services, individual, group, and family counseling;
- A motivational point system to assist the youth in making positive steps toward mastering the identified treatment goals;
- The Social Learning Theory to guide the process, while also addressing appropriate social skills;
- Onsite psychiatric, psychological, chemical dependency, and medical services provided by a pediatrician and registered nurse; and
- Education services where the youth attend school within the Sioux Falls Public or West Central School District. GED services are also available through the Career Learning Center at Volunteers of America.

The buildings at the West Farm are state property, but through a lease arrangement with Volunteers of America – Dakotas, maintenance of the facility is a shared responsibility.
Mike Durfee State Prison
Springfield, South Dakota

The Mike Durfee State Prison is located on the former campus of the University of South Dakota at Springfield (USD/S). The 1984 Legislature closed USD/S and authorized the Board of Charities and Corrections to establish the correctional facility. The Springfield State Prison opened in December 1984, when the female inmates from the Women’s Correctional Facility in Yankton were transferred to the new institution in Springfield. Male inmates began transferring to the facility in January 1985.

The state’s female inmate population was housed in Springfield until the opening of the South Dakota Women’s Prison in Pierre in September 1997.

On September 10, 1999, the prison was renamed in honor of Mike Durfee, Deputy Secretary of the South Dakota Department of Corrections. Durfee died of cancer in January 2000.

The Mike Durfee State Prison is under the direction of Warden Bob Dooley.

Facility

The Mike Durfee State Prison is a low–medium custody facility. The prison is home to many work programs. Vocational Education classes in Welding, Construction Technology, Auto Body, Auto Mechanics, and Landscape/Horticulture are also offered.

Mike Durfee State Prison also supervises Community Work Center units in Yankton and Rapid City. Minimum–security inmates are employed in community service work projects across South Dakota, working with non-profit agencies and other state and federal governmental agencies.
Work Assignments

The Construction Technology program is using inmates assigned to this site to construct facilities, cabins and boat docks for the Game, Fish, and Parks Department. All vocational programs and worksite areas at Mike Durfee State Prison utilize inmate labor to do work for non-profit agencies and various work projects at the prison.

The Housing Development Authority utilizes inmate labor to construct homes and daycare facilities for the Governor’s House Program.

The State Historical Society has maintained staff positions at the prison since 1985. Inmates working at this site copy newspapers and other county and state records on microfilm for the state archives.

Inmates from MDSP, under staff supervision, provide the bulk of services for the institution, including the maintenance and repair of buildings, vehicles, grounds, and assist in food preparation and service and clerical assistance.

Programs

Inmates are offered literacy, Adult Basic Education, General Educational Development (GED) classes, cognitive behavioral, financial, and employment programming. Treatment is offered for chemical dependency, medical, mental health, and for sex offenders.

Population: As of July 1, 2015

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South Dakota Women’s Prison
Pierre, South Dakota

The South Dakota Women’s Prison is part of the Solem Public Safety Center in Pierre, South Dakota.

In 1995, legislation was introduced that authorized the construction of a new prison for women. Before that time, female inmates were housed at the Springfield State Prison.

Brenda Hyde is the Warden of the South Dakota Women’s Prison.

Facility
The Solem Public Safety Center is a unique facility that houses not only the South Dakota Women’s Prison, but also the Department of Corrections Administration office, the Pierre Police Department, Hughes County Sheriff’s Office, and a South Dakota Highway Patrol station.

The South Dakota Women’s Prison portion of the facility constitutes the majority of the 78,000 square foot building.

The South Dakota Women’s Prison opened and was dedicated on October 23, 1997. The Women’s Prison houses all security levels of female inmates. A minimum security unit opened in 2001 with the capacity for 96 beds. Another nearby unit, located in the former Law Enforcement Training building, is home to an Intensive Methamphetamine Treatment program, along with work release, community service, and Community Transition Program participants.
The facility also includes a six-bedroom house used for the Parents and Children Together (P.A.C.T.) program. The primary goal of the P.A.C.T. program is to enable the incarcerated mother to have her minor children with her on the prison premises for a weekend visit once each month, in addition to the regular visiting hours. The P.A.C.T. visits are intended to alleviate some of the familial stress associated with the mother’s incarceration, create a better understanding of the parent role, and provide the opportunity of the inmate mother to maintain some direct responsibility for the care of her children.

**Assignments**

Inmates are assigned to housing units within the Women’s Prison according to criteria designed to rate the inmate’s current needs, past record, present sentence, and institutional behavior.

**Inmate Employment**

Inmate employment within the Women’s Prison fall into two basic categories: institutional support and prison industry. Institutional support includes those employed in food service, as clerks for various departments, cell orderlies, and those working in the Solem Public Safety Center.  

Prison Industry at the Women’s Prison includes Data Entry and document scanning for government agencies.

Inmates also work outside the walls for various community organizations and on approved work release assignments.

**Programs**

Inmates are offered literacy, Adult Basic Education and General Educational Development (GED) classes, cognitive behavioral, financial, and employment programming. Treatment is offered for chemical dependency, medical, mental health, and for sex offenders.

**Population:** As of July 1, 2015  
**Women’s Prison** 352
South Dakota State Penitentiary
Sioux Falls, South Dakota

The South Dakota State Penitentiary, located in northern Sioux Falls, occupies approximately 30 acres. First constructed as a territorial prison in 1881, it became the South Dakota State Penitentiary when South Dakota was granted statehood in 1889. Though much of the original buildings remain, numerous structural changes have occurred over the years.

The Warden of the Penitentiary is Darin Young.

Facility

The main penitentiary facility contains three housing units. Inmates were housed at the G. Norton Jameson Annex beginning in February 1993. With a 2005 addition, the Jameson Annex contains three housing units within a secure perimeter and a minimum security unit located outside the perimeter fence, known as the Sioux Falls Community Work Center.

Mission

The primary mission of the South Dakota State Penitentiary is to protect the citizens of the state by providing a safe and secure environment for prisoners, providing rehabilitation programs, and operating in a professional and business-like manner.

Assignments

Inmates are assigned to units within the Penitentiary and Jameson Annex according to criteria designed to rate the inmate’s current needs, past record, present sentence, and institutional behavior. Each housing unit has a team
consisting of a manager, case manager, and unit coordinator, who serve as the resource persons for the inmate. The staff is responsible for all casework on each individual inmate, as well as day-to-day management of the unit.

Inmate Employment

Inmate employment within the Penitentiary falls into two basic categories – Institutional Support and Prison Industries. Institutional support includes those employed in the kitchen, as clerks for various departments, cell hall orderlies, and those working in the maintenance department. Prison Industries consists of several different industries – upholstery, printing and book bindery, sign, license plates/decal, bindery, braille unit, carpentry, and machine shop. Much of the work is done for government agencies.

Inmates assigned to the Community Work Center work outside the walls for various community organizations and on approved work release assignments.

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- Mark Sivertson .......... Sioux Falls
- Peter Randazzo .......... Sioux Falls
- Robin Aden .......... Sioux Falls
- Carl Schmidtman .......... Sioux Falls
- Thomas Simmons .......... Vermillion
- G. Mark Mickelson .......... Sioux Falls
- Dan Donohue .......... Sioux Falls

**Critical Teaching Needs**

**Scholarship Board**
- Robert Sittig ................. Baltic
- Terry Sabers .......... Mitchell
- Melody Schopp ........ Pierre
- Timothy Mitchell .......... Rapid City

**Unemployment Insurance**

**Advisory Council**
- Rob Anderson .......... Pierre
- David Owen .......... Sioux Falls
- Timothy Fitzgerald .......... Rapid City
- Donald Kattke .......... Sioux Falls
- Marcia Hultman .......... Pierre
- Shawn Lyons .......... Pierre
- Carol Hinderaker .......... Watertown
Shannon Stucker .................. Aberdeen

**Board of Directors of Value**

**Added Finance Authority**
Jim Doolittle .................... Belle Fourche
Marcia Hendrickson ............ Chancellor
Bill Hansen ....................... Centerville
Charles Jepson ................. Fort Pierre
Robert Hull ...................... Sisseton
Mark Gross ....................... Bridgewater

**Veterans Commission**
Daryl (KC) Russell ............. Aberdeen
John Noyes ....................... Pierre
Helen Parr ....................... Sioux Falls
James Ross ....................... Whitewood
Michael Birnbaum .............. Rapid City
Lori Vosika ..................... Hot Springs

**Visitation Grant Advisory Group**
Debra Watson .................... Rapid City
Catherine Piersol .............. Sioux Falls
Carla Bachand ................... Pierre
Gregory Dean ................... Pierre

**State Board of Veterinary Medical Examiners**
James Feller ..................... Blunt
Lawrence Zimmer ............... Montrose
James Myers ..................... Belle Fourche
Holly Roe-Johnson ............. Hosmer

**South Dakota Crime Victims' Compensation Commission**
Rebecca Kiesow-Knudsen .. Sioux Falls
Teresa Marts ..................... Winner
Loren McManus .................. Sioux Falls

**Board of Vocational Rehabilitation**
Grady Kickul ..................... Pierre
Thore Jenshus ................... Rapid City
Kimberly Holberg .............. Aberdeen
Tim Neyhart ..................... Pierre
Melissa Flor .................... Pierre
Lisa Sanderson ................ Sioux Falls
Jolleen Laverdure .......... Lower Brule
Kendra Gottsleben .......... Sioux Falls
Chuck Quinn .................... Pierre
Brett Glibas .................... Sioux Falls
Carol Kirchgesler ............ Aberdeen
Colleen Moran .................. Hartford
Patricia Kuglitsch ........... Sioux Falls
Chad Maxon ..................... Rapid City
Darla McGuire .................. Ethan

Rodney Freeman, Jr ........... Huron
Timothy Bjork .................. Pierre
Leo Holzbauer .................. Wagner
Peggy Dixon .................... Rapid City
Everett Hoy ..................... Rapid City
Chad Comes .................... Madison
Jim Hutmacher ................. Oacoma

**Workers' Compensation Advisory Council**
Carol Hinderaker .............. Watertown
Jeff Haase ...................... Lemmon
Randy Stainbrook ............. Rapid City
Thomas Huegel ................. Sioux Falls
Connie Halverson .......... Pierre
Guy Bender ..................... Brookings
Kory Rawstern ................ Sioux Falls

**Board of Water and Natural Resources**
Gene Jones, Jr .................. Sioux Falls
Jacqueline Lanning .......... Brookings
Jerry Soholt ................... Sioux Falls
Bradley Johnson .............. Watertown
Paul Goldhammer .......... Wall
Paul Gnirk ..................... New Underwood
Todd Bernhard ............... Fort Pierre

**South Dakota Weed and Pest Control Commission**
Ronald Thyen .................... Hayti
Duane Buckmeier ............. Prairie City
Floyd Munterfering .......... Parkston
Craig Magedanz ............... Clear Lake
Lynn Deibert ................... Herried

**Wheat Utilization Research and Marketing Development Commission**
Clint Vanneman ................. Ideal
Terence Hand .................. Midland
Leo Warrington ............... Bristol
Darrell Davis .................. Ipswich
Chet Edinger ................... Mitchell

**Water Management Board**
South Dakota Workforce
Development Council

Mike Rush ........................................ Pierre
Tiffany Sanderson ......................... Pierre
Marcia Hultman ................................. Pierre
Eric Weiss ........................... Pierre
Warren Lotsberg ............................. Huron
Randall Hanson .......................... Aurora
Lance Weaver ......................... Rapid City
Aaron Scheibe ............................... Pierre
Scott Peterson ...................... Belle Fourche
Thomas Bohnet ............................ Yankton
Jim Borszich ................................. Huron
Mark Rogers ....................... Dell Rapids
Lee Anderson ............................ Mitchell
Dave Giovannini ......................... Aberdeen
Cal Geis .............................. Belle Fourche
Randy Stainbrook ........................ Rapid City
### General Appropriations Act

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Origin of County Names

Aurora (1882): Roman goddess of dawn

Beadle (1880): General W.H.H. Beadle, early president of Normal School at Madison

Bennett (1912): John E. Bennett, Judge of the Supreme Court and Granville G. Bennett, Dakota Territory Judge

Bon Homme (1862): An island in the Missouri River, literally means "good man" in French

Brookings (1871): Judge Wilmot W. Brookings, one of the first Dakota settlers

Brown (1881): Alfred Brown of Hutchinson County, 1879 Legislator

Brule (1875): Brule band of Sioux Indians who lived in that region

Buffalo (1871): The wild bison of the prairies

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Butte (1883): The many buttes characteristic of the topography of the locality

Campbell (1883): Norman B. Campbell, 1873 Legislator, son of General Charles T. Campbell

Charles Mix (1879): U.S. Commissioner of Indian Affairs in 1858; a Civil War government scout with same name

Clark (1882): Named for Henry Clay by Jacob S. Deuel, member of first territorial legislature, 1862 – 1863

Codington (1878): Reverend G.S.S. Codington, 1877 Legislator

Corson (1909): Dighton Corson, Judge of the Supreme Court, 1889 – 1913

Custer (1877): General George Custer

Davison (1874): Henry C. Davison, early settler in the county

Day (1880): Merritt H. Day, pioneer and 1879 Legislator

Deuel (1878): Jacob S. Deuel of Vermillion, member of the first territorial legislature, 1862 – 1863

Dewey (1909): W.P. Dewey, pioneer; name changed from Rusk in 1883


Edmunds (1883): Newton Edmunds, second Territorial Governor, 1863 – 1866

Fall River (1883): The stream which flows through the county

Faulk (1883): Andrew J. Faulk, third Territorial Governor, 1866 – 1869

Grant (1878): General Ulysses S. Grant, Civil War General and 18th United States President

Gregory (1898): John Shaw Gregory of Ft. Randall, 1862 Legislator

Haakon (1915): King Haakon VII of Norway

Hamlin (1878): Hannibal Hamlin, United States Vice President during Lincoln's first term

Hand (1882): George H. Hand, Secretary of Dakota Territory, 1874 – 1883

Hanson (1871): Joseph R. Hanson, pioneer of Yankton County

Harding (1909): J.A. Harding, 1881 Legislator

Hughes (1880): Alexander Hughes of Elk Point, 1873 Legislator

Hutchinson (1871): John Hutchinson, first Secretary of Dakota Territory, 1862 – 1865

Hyde (1884): James Hyde of Vermillion, 1873 Legislator

Jackson (1915): J.R. Jackson of Minnehaha County, 1883 Legislator

Jerauld (1883): H.A. Jerauld of Canton, 1883 Legislator

Jones (1917): Named by settlers originally from Jones County, Iowa

Kingsbury (1879): Brothers George W. Kingsbury, 1863 Legislator, and T.A. Kingsbury, 1872 Legislator

Lake (1873): The lakes which are a prominent feature of the county

Lawrence (1877): John Lawrence of Yankton, 1875 Legislator

Lincoln (1877): Abraham Lincoln, the 16th United States President

Lyman (1893): Major P.W. Lyman, first settler of Yankton County, 1873 Legislator


McCook (1878): Edwin S. McCook, Secretary of Dakota Territory, 1872 – 1873
McPherson (1885): General James B. McPherson of Andover, Civil War General
Meade (1889): Fort Meade which was named for General George G. Meade, Commander of the Army of the Potomac during battle of Gettysburg
Mellette (1911): Arthur C. Mellette, first Governor of South Dakota, 1889 – 1893
Miner (1880): Captain Nelson Miner of Vermillion and Ephraim Miner of Yankton, both 1873 Legislators
Minnehaha (1862, abandoned in 1863 because of hostile Indians, reorganized in 1868): Sioux word for waterfalls – "where the water laughs" or "laughing water"
Moody (1873): Colonel Gideon C. Moody of Deadwood, early territorial judge and first U.S. Senator, 1889 – 1891
Pennington (1877): Honorable John L. Pennington, Territorial Governor, 1874 – 1878
Potter (1883): Dr. Joel Potter, Yankton Legislator, 1877, and long time steward at the State Hospital at Yankton; name changed from Ashmore in 1875
Roberts (1883): S.G. Roberts of Fargo, North Dakota, or Solomon Robar, early French fur trader
Sanborn (1883): George W. Sanborn, Superintendent of the Milwaukee Railroad
Shannon (1875): Peter Shannon, Chief Justice of the Supreme Court, Dakota Territory; renamed Oglala Lakota County in May 2015.
Spink (1879): Honorable S.L. Spink of Yankton, territorial delegate in Congress, 1869 – 1871
Stanley (1890): General David Stanley, Fort Sully Commandant
Sully (1883): General Alfred Sully, builder of Fort Sully
Todd (1909): John Blair Smith Todd of Yankton, first territorial delegate, 1862 – 1863; 1864 – 1865
Tripp (1909): Honorable Bartlett Tripp, Judge of the territorial court and chairman of the first constitutional convention
Turner (1871): J.W. Turner, a pioneer of Union and Clay Counties
Union (1862): Civil War sentiment; name changed from Cole in 1864
Walworth (1883): Named by settlers originally from Walworth County, Wisconsin
Yankton (1862): Yankton Indians; Ihanktonwan, meaning “end village”
Ziebach (1911): F.M. Ziebach, noted pioneer editor and 1877 Legislator

The following counties were a part of the state at one time or another. Boundaries were very fluid in the early history of the state, as legislatures acted on the information available and as organizational patterns emerged.

Adair – used to describe other county boundaries but never actually bounded; Adams;
Armstrong – Moses K. Armstrong, pioneer politician; Ashmore – Samuel Ashmore, Legislator;
Boreman; Bramble – D.T. Bramble, Legislator; Brugier – Theophile Brugier, pioneer trader;
Burchard; Burdick; Cheyenne; Choteau – Ashby A. Choteau of Minnesela, a descendent of the Pierre Choteau of early fur trading fame; Cole; Cragin; Delano – Columbus Delano, Secretary of the Interior; Edgerton; Ewing; Forsythe; Greeley; Inman; Jayne – William Jayne, first Territorial Governor; Lugenbeel – Colonel at Fort Randall; Mandan; Martin; McCauley; Mercer; Meyer; Mills – A.J. Mills, Legislator; Nowlin – J.W. Nowlin of Pennington County; Pratt;
Rinehart – W.A. Rinehart of Lawrence County; Rusk; Schnasse; Scobey – J.O.B. Scobey of Brookings County; Sterling – George W. Sterling of Huron; Shyenne; Stone – James M. Stone, Yankton Legislator; Thompson – John Thompson, Legislator; Wagner; Washabaugh – Frank J. Washabaugh, lawyer and jurist; Washington – General George Washington, first U.S. President; Wetmore; White River; Wood – Blight E. Wood, Legislator.
County Officials

Aurora County  
PO Box 397  
Population: 2,710  
Plankinton 57368
Commissioners: Dennis DeGeest,  
Jeff Sauvage, Stan Johnson,  
“Skip” Guinsdon, Tom Schroeder
Auditor: Susan Urban  
Treasurer: Marlene Geiman
Register of Deeds: Arlene Koch  
States Attorney: John Steele
Sheriff: David Fink  
Coroner: Roman Briggs

Beadle County  
450 3rd St. SW, Ste 201  
Population: 17,398  
Huron 57350
Commissioners: Rick Benson  
Denis Drake, Linda Marcus  
Larry Mattke, Tom Hansen
Auditor: Jill Hanson  
Treasurer: Jacque McCaskell
Register of Deeds: Barb O’Riley  
States Attorney: Michael Moore
Sheriff: Doug Solem  
Coroner: George Kuhler

Bennett County  
PO Box 460  
Population: 3,431  
Martin 57551
Commissioners: Wayne Bond,  
Newton Cummings, Jason Fanning,  
Rocky Risse, Jeff Slattery
Auditor: Susan Williams  
Treasurer: Jolene Donovan
Register of Deeds: Nancy Sterkel  
States Attorney: Kenneth E. Orrock
Sheriff: Paul Williams  
Coroner: Thomas Jeans

Bon Homme County  
PO Box 605  
Population: 7,070  
Tyndall 57066
Commissioners: John P. Hauck,  
John Fathke, Russell Jelsma,  
Michael Soukup, Duane Bachmann
Auditor: Tamara Brunken
Treasurer: Jennifer Knoll
Register of Deeds: Sandra Frasier-Shaffer  
States Attorney: Lisa Rothschadl
Sheriff: Leonard “Lenny” Gramkow
Coroner: Jim Goglin

Brookings County  
520 3rd St., Ste 210  
Population: 31,965  
Brookings 57006
Commissioners: Ryan Krogman  
Larry Jensen, Stephne Miller,  
Lee Ann Pierce, Tom Yseth
Finance Officer: Vicki Buseth
Register of Deeds: Beverly Chapman
States Attorney: Clyde Calhoon
Sheriff: Martin Stanwick
Coroner: Joannie Holm

Brown County  
25 Market St., Ste 1  
Population: 36,531  
Aberdeen 57401
Commissioners: Rachel Kippley,  
Tom Fischbach, Nancy Hansen,  
Duane Sutton, Doug Fjeldheim
Auditor: Maxine Taylor
Treasurer: Sheila Enderson
Register of Deeds: Carol Sherman
States Attorney: Larry Lovrein
Sheriff: Mark Milbrandt
Coroner: Michael Carlsen

Brule County  
300 S. Courtland St., Ste 103  
Population: 5,255  
Chamberlain 57325
Commissioners: Brad Carson  
Gary Dozark, James Nesladek,  
Rich Rasmussen, Donald Reinesch
Auditor: Pamela Petrak
Treasurer: Doreen Priebie
Register of Deeds: Elaine Reimer
States Attorney: David Natvig
Sheriff: Darrell Miller
Coroner: Darren Hickey

Buffalo County  
PO Box 146  
Population: 1,912  
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Commissioners: Lloyd Lutter,  
Donita Loudner, Ronald Petersen
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Treasurer: Joyce VonEye
Register of Deeds: Elaine Wulff
States Attorney: Dedrick Koch
Sheriff: Wayne Willman
Coroner: Darren Hickey
Butte County 839 Fifth Ave.  
Population: 10,110  
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States Attorney:  
Register of Deeds:  
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Auditor:  
Commissioners: James Ager,  
Ken Feren, Cal Geis,  
Kim Kling, Steve Smeenk  
Auditor: Elaine Jensen  
Treasurer: Deb Lensegrav  
Register of Deeds: Paula Walker  
States Attorney: Heather Plunkett  
Sheriff: Fred Lamphere  
Coroner: Gary Brunner

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Population: 1,466  
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Register of Deeds: Mandy Horner  
States Attorney: Mark Kroontje  
Sheriff: Lacey Peman  
Coroner: Robert Hufer

Charles Mix County PO Box 490  
Population: 9,129  
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States Attorney: Scott Podhradsky  
Sheriff: Randy Thaler  
Coroner: Chad Peters

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Doug Loomis, Violet Wicks  
Auditor: Christine Tarbox  
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Register of Deeds: Andrea Helkenn  
States Attorney: Chad Fjeldland  
Sheriff: Robert McGraw  
Coroner: Lou Ann Streff

Clay County 211 W. Main St., Ste 200  
Population: 13,864  
Vermillion 57069  
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Commissioners: Michael Manning,  
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Auditor: Cari Crum  
Treasurer: Catherine Powell  
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States Attorney: Teddi Gertsmma  
Sheriff: Andrew Howe  
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Population: 27,227  
Watertown 57201  
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Commissioners: Elmer Brinkman,  
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Auditor: Cindy Brugman  
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Register of Deeds: Ann Rasmussen  
States Attorney: Dawn Elshere  
Sheriff: Toby Wishard  
Coroner: Dr. Alan Lawrence

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McIntosh 57641  
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Auditor: Tammy Bertolotto  
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Register of Deeds: Diane Anderson  
States Attorney: Eric Bogue  
Sheriff: Keith Gall  
Coroner: Arnold Schott

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Population: 8,216  
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Auditor: Nancy Christensen  
Treasurer: Dawn McLaughlin  
Register of Deeds: Dennis Zellner  
States Attorney: Tracy Kelley  
Sheriff: Rick Wheeler  
Coroner: James Sanders

Day County 711 W. 1st St., Ste 204  
Population: 5,710  
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Commissioners: Chuck Hesla,  
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Register of Deeds: Janet Coyne  
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Population: 11,200  PO Box 190  Salem 57042
Commissioners: Dan Bohl, Sheldon Butzke
Ronald Golden, Roger Hageman,
Scott Pedersen, Kelli Wollman
Marc Dick, Ralph Dybdahl,
Auditor: Roberta “Bobbi” Janke
Ron Scharfenberg, Steve Gordon
Treasurer: Linda Fischer
Register of Deeds: Penny Boatwright
Auditor: Geralyn Sherman
States Attorney: Chris Giles
Treasurer: Carol Lauer
Sheriff: Tim Walburg
Register of Deeds: Laurie Schwans
Sheriff: Mark Norris
Coroner: Ted Weiland
States Attorney: Mike Fink
Coroner: Andy Kinzley

Lawrence County 90 Sherman St.
Population: 24,097  Deadwood 57732
Commissioners: Brandon Flanagan,
Randall Rosenau, Daryl Johnson,
Richard Sleep, Terry Weisenberg
Auditor: Connie Atkinson
Treasury: Debora Tridle
Register of Deeds: Sheree Green
Treasurer: John Fitzgerald
States Attorney: Richard Mowell
Sheriff: Gary Boyd
Coroner: David Ackerman

Lincoln County 104 N. Main St.
Population: 44,828  Canton 57013
Commissioners: David Gillespie,
Dale Long, Dan King,
James Schmidt, Michael Poppens
Auditor: Marlene Sweeter
Treasurer: Debra Turner
Register of Deeds: Becky Mathiesen
Treasurer: Thomas Wollman
States Attorney: Dennis Johnson
Sheriff: John Anderson
Coroner: David Roggenkamp

Lyman County PO Box 38
Population: 3,755  Kennebec 57544
Commissioners: LeRoy Choal, Jr.,
Ryan Huffman, Kim Halverson,
Adam Ehlers, Steve Perry
Auditor: Pam Michalek
Treasurer: Carol Sundall
Register of Deeds: Tracy Brakke
States Attorney: Anita Fuoss
Sheriff: Steve Manger
Coroner: Steve Manger

Marshall County PO Box 130
Population: 4,656  Britton 57430
Commissioners: Myles DeVine,
Leron Knebel, Douglas Medhaug,
Lynda Luttrell, Paul Symens
Auditor: Megan Biel
Treasurer: Ruby Hagen
Register of Deeds: Kalissa Stelzer
States Attorney: Chad Locken
Sheriff: Dale Elsen
Coroner: Dr. David Kleinberg

McCook County 200 E. Center St.  PO Box 390
Population: 5,618  Leola 57456
Commissioners: Sheldon Butzke
Marc Dick, Ralph Dybdahl,
Ron Scharfenberg, Steve Gordon
Auditor: Roberta “Bobbi” Janke
Treasurer: Carol Lauer
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Coroner: David Ackerman

McPherson County PO Box C
Population: 2,459  Sturgis 57785
Commissioners: Rick Beilke,
Delmar Metzger, Jeff Neuharth,
Sid Feickert, Jim Schumacher
Auditor: Jennifer Guthmiller
Treasurer: Donna Breitag
Register of Deeds: John Hilgeman
Treasurer: Susan Boodwine
States Attorney: Donald Kallenberger
Register of Deeds: Lana Anderson
Sheriff: Ron Merwin
States Attorney: Kevin Krull
Coroner: Ron Merwin
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Meade County 1300 Sherman St.
Population: 25,434  Sturgis 57785
Commissioners: Alan Aker,
Galen Niederwerder, Linda Rausch,
Bob Bertolotto, Robert Heidgerken
Auditor: Lisa Schieffer
Treasurer: Susan Boodwine
Register of Deeds: Lana Anderson
Register of Deeds: Karen O’Brien
Sheriff: Kevin Krull
States Attorney: Michael “Mick” Strain
Sheriff: Ron Merwin
States Attorney: Donald Kallenberger
Coroner: Karen O’Brien

Mellette County PO Box B
Population: 2,048  White River 57579
Commissioners: Cecil Brandis,
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Register of Deeds: Karen O’Brien
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States Attorney: Michael “Mick” Strain
States Attorney: Roberta “Bobbi” Janke
Sheriff: Mike Blom
Sheriff: Lanny Klinkhammer
Coroner: Karen O’Brien
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Miner County PO Box 86
Population: 2,389  Howard 57349
Commissioners: Alex Protzsch,
Lavonne Durant, Roger Wentland,
Garrett Gassman, Tom Reisch,
Auditor: Susan Connor
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Treasurer: Peggy Dougherty  
Register of Deeds: Bev Stoeser  
States Attorney: Tom Maher  
Sheriff: Brad Rathbun  
Coroner: Garry Gritter  

Sully County  PO Box 265  
Population: 1,373  Onida 57564  
Commissioners: Joe Fanger, William Floyd, Judith Pullman, Jerry Richards, Beverly Zebroski  
Auditor: Susan Lamb  
Treasurer: Helen Jane Paxton  
Register of Deeds: Peggy Johnson  
States Attorney: Emily Sovell  
Sheriff: Bill Stahl  
Coroner: Jane Pitlick  

Todd County  200 E. 3rd St.  
Population: 9,612  Winner 57580  
Commissioners: Marshall Tinant, William Giroux, Gregg Grimshaw, Patsy Valandra, Alec Whipple  
Auditor: Barbara DeSersa  
Treasurer: Marla Liggett  
Register of Deeds: Louise Flisram  
States Attorney: Alvin Pahlke  
Sheriff: Joe Farmer  
Coroner: Monica Rahn  
(Todd County contracts with Tripp County for services and courthouse use.)  

Tripp County  200 E. 3rd St.  
Population: 5,644  Winner 57580  
Commissioners: Curt Littau, Dan Forgey, Eric Connot, Clifford Schroeder, Mark Winter  
Auditor: Barbara DeSersa  
Treasurer: Marla Liggett  
Register of Deeds: Louise Flisram  
States Attorney: Alvin Pahlke  
Sheriff: Shawn Pettit  
Coroner: Dr. Rick Wagner  

Turner County  PO Box 370  
Population: 8,347  Parker 57053  
Commissioners: James Adamson, Ronald Globke, Gary Hansen, Mick Miller, Lyle Van Hove,  
Auditor: Sheila Hagemann  
Treasurer: Marlys Andersen  
Register of Deeds: Carol Viet  
States Attorney: Matthew Olson  
Sheriff: Byron Nogelmeier  
Coroner: James Jones  

Union County  209 E. Main St., Ste 200  
Population: 14,399  Elk Point 57025  
Commissioners: Bob Ballard, Richard Headid, Doyle Karpen, Marvin Schempp, Milton Ustad  
Auditor: Carol Klumper  
Treasurer: Myron Hertel  
Register of Deeds: Jana Foltz  
States Attorney: Jerry Miller  
Sheriff: Dan Limoges  
Coroner: Jim Christenson  

Walworth County  PO Box 199  
Population: 5,438  Selby 57472  
Commissioners: Jim Houck, Richard Godkin, Duane Martin, David Seimon, Scott Schilling  
Auditor: Rebecca Krein  
Treasurer: Nyla Moak  
Register of Deeds: Susan Eisemann  
States Attorney: James Hare  
Sheriff: Josh Boll  
Coroner: Daniel R. Snyder  

Yankton County  321 W. 3rd St.  
Population: 22,438  Yankton 57078  
Commissioners: Donna Freng, Debra Bodenstedt, Raymon Epp, Don Kettering, Todd Woods  
Auditor: Patty Hojem  
Treasurer: Pamela Marchand  
Register of Deeds: Brian Hunhoff  
States Attorney: Robert Klimisch  
Sheriff: James C Vlahakis  
Coroner: Arica Nickles  

Ziebach County  PO Box 68  
Population: 2,801  Dupree 57623  
Commissioners: Rick Farlee, Clinton Farlee, Bill Henderson, Russel Johnson, Gene Webb  
Auditor: Cindy Longbrake  
Treasurer: Virginia Hertel  
Register of Deeds: Lila Laflerty  
States Attorney: Cheryl Laurenz-Bogue  
Sheriff: Gary Cudmore  
Coroner: James Brooks  

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73
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844
134

TOTALS
PERCENTAGE

778

240,544
46.10%

176,165
33.76%

1,377
0.26%

594
0.11%

8
0.00%

102,337
19.61%

521,803
99.85%

43,518


2014 Constitutional Amendment

The following amendment to the State Constitution is submitted to the voters by the Legislature. The amendment will not become effective unless approved by majority vote.

Constitutional Amendment Q

Title:
An Amendment to the South Dakota Constitution authorizing the Legislature to allow roulette, keno and craps in Deadwood.

Attorney General Explanation:
The Constitution currently authorizes the Legislature to allow two kinds of games of chance in Deadwood: limited card games and slot machines. The proposed amendment authorizes the Legislature to also allow roulette, keno and craps in Deadwood.

Under federal law, any games of chance authorized by the Legislature to be offered in Deadwood would also be allowed at on-reservation tribal casinos.

A vote “Yes” is for changing the constitution to allow the Legislature to authorize roulette, keno and craps in Deadwood.
A vote “No” will leave the constitution as it is.

Full Text of Constitutional Amendment Q
That Article III, section 25 of the Constitution of the State of South Dakota, be amended to read as follows:
§25. The Legislature shall not authorize any game of chance, lottery, or gift enterprise, under any pretense, or for any purpose whatever provided, however, it shall be lawful for the Legislature to authorize by law, bona fide veterans, charitable, educational, religious or fraternal organizations, civic and service clubs, volunteer fire departments, or such other public spirited organizations as it may recognize, to conduct games of chance when the entire net proceeds of such games of chance are to be devoted to educational, charitable, patriotic, religious, or other public spirited uses. However, it shall be lawful for the Legislature to authorize by law a state lottery or video games of chance, or both, which are regulated by the state of South Dakota, either separately by the state or jointly with one or more states, and which are owned and operated by the state of South Dakota, either separately by the state or jointly with one or more states or persons, provided any such video games of chance shall not directly dispense coins or tokens. However, the Legislature shall not expand the statutory authority existing as of June 1, 1994, regarding any private ownership of state lottery games or video games of chance, or both. The Legislature shall establish the portion of proceeds due the state from such lottery or video games of chance, or both, and the purposes for which those proceeds are to be used. SDCL 42-7A, and its amendments, regulations, and related laws, and all acts and contracts relying for authority upon such laws and regulations, beginning July 1, 1987, to the effective date of this amendment, are ratified and approved. Further, it shall be lawful for the Legislature to authorize by law, roulette, keno, craps, limited card games and slot machines within the city limits of Deadwood, provided that 60% of the voters of the City...
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of Deadwood approve legislatively authorized card games and slot machines at an election called for such purpose. The entire net Municipal proceeds of such roulette, keno, craps, card games and slot machines shall be devoted to the Historic Restoration and Preservation of Deadwood.

2014 Initiated Measures

The following initiated measures were proposed by petition for submission to the voters. These initiated measures will not become effective unless approved by majority vote.

Initiated Measure 17

Title:
An initiated measure to require health insurers to include all willing and qualified health care providers on their provider lists.

Attorney General Explanation:
Some health insurers offer health benefit plans in which the insurer maintains a list of health care providers. Plan members must use listed providers in order to obtain the maximum plan coverage, or to have coverage at all. “Health care providers” include doctors and other licensed health care professionals, clinics and hospitals.

The initiated measure establishes who is entitled to be on the insurer’s list of providers. The measure requires that these insurers list all health care providers who are willing, qualified and meet the conditions for participation established by the insurer.

The measure does not apply to all health insurers, nor to certain kinds of insurance and plans including those involving specified disease, indemnity, accident only, dental, vision, Medicare supplement, long-term care or disability income, and workers’ compensation.

A vote “Yes” is for the law requiring health insurers to include all willing and qualified health care providers on their provider lists.

A vote “No” is against the proposed law.

Full Text of Initiated Measure 17

Section 1. No health insurer, including the South Dakota Medicaid program, may obstruct patient choice by excluding a health care provider licensed under the laws of this state from participating on the health insurer’s panel of providers if the provider is located within the geographic coverage area of the health benefit plan and is willing and fully qualified to meet the terms and conditions of participation as established by the health insurer.

Section 2. Terms and used in this Initiated Measure mean:
(1) “Health benefit plan,” any hospital or medical expense policy or certificate, hospital or medical service plan, nonprofit hospital, medical-surgical health service corporation contract or certificate, provider sponsored integrated health delivery network, self-insured plan or plan provided by multiple employer welfare arrangements, health maintenance organization subscriber contract of more than six-month duration, or any health benefit
plan that affects the rights of a South Dakota insured and bears a reasonable relation to South Dakota, whether delivered or issued for delivery in South Dakota. The term does not include specified disease, hospital indemnity, fixed indemnity, accident only, credit, dental, vision, Medicare supplement, long-term care or disability income insurance, coverage issued as a supplement to liability insurance, workers’ compensation or similar insurance, automobile medical payment insurance, or any plan or coverage exempted from state regulation by the Employee Retirement Income Security Act of 1974 (ERISA), 29 U.S.C. 18; (2)”Health insurer,” any entity within the definitions set forth in subdivisions 58-17F-1(11), (12), and (15), any entity offering a health benefit plan as defined by §58-17F-2, all self-insurers or multiple employer welfare arrangements, and self-insured employer-organized associations. The term does not include any entity exempted from state regulation by the Employee Retirement Income Security Act of 1974 (ERISA), 29 U.S.C. 18; (3) “Health care provider,” any individual or entity within the scope of the definition of health care provider as defined by subdivision 58-17F-1(9).

Initiated Measure 18

Title:
An initiated measure to increase the state minimum wage.

Attorney General Explanation:
The initiated measure amends state law to raise South Dakota’s hourly minimum wage for non-tipped employees from $7.25 to $8.50 per hour, effective January 1, 2015. Thereafter, this minimum wage will be annually adjusted by any increase in the cost of living. The cost of living increase is measured by the change in the Consumer Price Index published by the U.S. Department of Labor. In no case may the minimum wage be decreased.

In addition, the hourly minimum wage for tipped employees will be half the minimum wage for non-tipped employees as adjusted by any cost of living increase described above.

These increases would apply to all employers in South Dakota, with limited exceptions.

A vote “Yes” is for the increase in the state minimum wage.
A vote “No” is against the change in the law.

Full Text of Initiated Measure 18
Section 1. That §60-11-3 be amended to read as follows:
60-11-3. Every employer shall pay to each employee wages at a rate of not less than seven dollars and twenty-five cents an hour. Violation of this section is a Class 2 misdemeanor. The provisions of this section do not apply to certain employees being paid an opportunity wage pursuant to §60-11-4.1, babysitters, or outside salespersons. The provisions of this section do not apply to employees employed by an amusement or recreational establishment, an organized camp, or a religious or nonprofit educational conference center if one of the following apply:
(1) The establishment, camp, or center does not operate for more than seven months in any calendar year; or
During the preceding calendar year, the average receipts of the establishment, camp, or center for any six months of the calendar year were not more than thirty-three and one-third percent of its average receipts for the other six months of the year.

Section 2. That §60-11-3.1 be amended to read as follows:

60-11-3.1. Any employer of a tipped employee shall pay a cash wage of not less than two dollars and thirteen cents an hour fifty percent of the minimum wage provided by §60-11-3 if the employer claims a tip credit against the employer’s minimum wage obligation. If an employee’s tip combined with the employer’s cash wage of not less than two dollars and thirteen cents an hour fifty percent of the minimum wage provided by §60-11-3 does not equal the minimum hourly wage, the employer shall make up the difference as additional wages for each regular pay period of the employer. A tipped employee is one engaged in an occupation in which the employee customarily and regularly receives more than thirty-five dollars a month in tips or other considerations. This section does not apply to babysitters or outside salespersons. This section also does not apply to employees employed by an amusement or recreational establishment, an organized camp, or a religious or nonprofit educational conference center if one of the following apply:

1. The establishment, camp, or center does not operate for more than seven months in any calendar year; or
2. During the preceding calendar year, the average receipts of the establishment, camp, or center for any six months of the calendar year were not more than thirty-three and one-third percent of its average receipts for the other six months of the year.

Section 3. That chapter 60-11 be amended by adding thereto a NEW SECTION to read as follows:

Beginning January 1, 2016, and again on January 1 of each year thereafter, the minimum wage provided by §60-11-13 shall be adjusted by the increase, if any, in the cost of living. The increase in the cost of living shall be measured by the percentage increase as of August of the immediately preceding year over the level as measured as of August of the previous year of the Consumer Price Index (all urban consumers, U.S. city average for all items) or its successor index as published by the U.S. Department of Labor or its successor agency, with the amount of the minimum wage increase, if any, rounded up to the nearest five cents. In no case shall the minimum wage be decreased. The Secretary of the South Dakota Department of Labor and Regulation or its designee shall publish the adjusted minimum wage rate for the forthcoming year on its internet home page by October 15 of each year, and it shall become effective on January 1 of the forthcoming year.