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SECRETARY OF STATE REMINDS VOTERS ABSENTEE VOTING BEGINS ON JUNE 12 FOR THE REPUBLICAN GUBERNATORIAL RUNOFF

(Pierre, S.D.) – South Dakota Secretary of State Monae L. Johnson is reminding voters that absentee voting for the upcoming Republican gubernatorial runoff election on July 28th begins on **June 12, 2026**.

Because the Republican runoff election is a continuation of the primary election, voters who previously requested an absentee ballot for the primary election are eligible to vote absentee in the runoff election. Those voters do not need to submit a new absentee ballot application as it will be mailed out by the county auditor.

Voters who did not request an absentee ballot for the primary election but would like to vote absentee in the Republican runoff election must submit an absentee ballot application to their county auditor by July 27, 2026, at 5:00 p.m. local time. When completing the absentee ballot request form, voters should select **Primary Election** on the form.

The Secretary of State's Office encourages voters to contact their county auditor with questions regarding absentee voting or runoff election procedures or visit the Secretary of State's website: <https://sdsos.gov/elections-voting/voting/assets/2026RUN-OFFCalendar.pdf>