

2015 Passed Legislation

BILL NUMBER	SHORT TITLE	CHANGES & NOTES
State Board of Elections Proposed Legislation		
SB 65	An Act to revise certain procedures regarding campaign finance disclosure statements.	Removes the requirement to file a pre-primary report for candidates publicly seeking nomination by that candidate's party convention prior to a primary election, and independent candidates.
SB 66	An Act to revise certain provisions regarding the county renaming process.	If name change is passed, the auditor will certify the results and the new county name to the SOS office. The SOS will proclaim the results and the new name will be in full force on the first day of July in the year following the election. The ballot language will include a statement - Shall the county name of this county be changed to _____ and county funds be appropriated to pay for all local government and state government costs associated with the name change? The cost of the name change will be paid by the county general funds.
SB 67	An Act to revise certain provisions regarding challenges to certain election petition signatures.	Will provide a timeframe of not later than the third Tuesday in March for a petition challenge to be commenced in circuit court and that this action takes precedence over other cases in circuit court. Any party appealing to the Supreme Court shall file a notice of appeal with ten days of the notice of entry of the circuit court order. NOTE: if the referral of SB 69 is successful and SB 69 does not pass, the SOS office will need to repeal these changes.
SB 68	An Act to provide for a random sampling of nominating petition signatures for statewide offices.	Requires the SOS office to conduct a random sampling for all SW nominating petitions.
SB 69	An Act to revise certain provisions regarding elections and election petitions.	Refer to separate sheet - SB 69 Comparison Chart
Other Election Related Bills (these were not proposed by the SOS or the State Board of Elections)		
SB 2	An Act to provide for the establishment of river basin natural resource districts and to repeal certain provisions regarding county drainage management.	Creation of river basin natural resource districts. Task Force will be appointed to recommend the specific boundaries to the 2016 legislature.
SB 87	An Act to revise the circumstances creating a vacancy in municipal office.	Adds municipality to the section referring to ceases to be a resident of the...
SB 88	An Act to authorize emergency appointments to the municipal election board.	Provides for the finance officer to appoint a replacement for the election board if a vacancy arises between the time of the appointment and the day of the election.
SB 124	An Act to revise the requirements for a petition for a minor boundary change.	Requires the final plan for detachment and annexation when the petition for a boundary change is submitted. If any change is made to the final plan, they have to start the process over again. Also, no school board may establish an attendance center outside of the geographic boundaries of the school district or regularly provide instruction to enrolled students in any physical location outside of the boundaries of the school district, and the secretary of education may suspend or revoke the accreditation of any school found to be in violation of this provision.
HB 1071	An Act to revise the number of signatures required for a nominating petition for sanitary district trustees.	The signature requirements is changed to ...signed by at least 25 qualified voters or five percent of the qualified voters, whichever is less.
HB 1091	An Act to require that the minutes of meetings of any state board or commission include a record of how each individual member voted on certain motions.	Minutes need to include how each individual member voted on any motion which a roll call vote is taken.
HB 1100	An Act to clarify how a vacancy on a school board is filled.	Allows a vacating member to be included with the school board members to fill a vacancy if the vacancy is created by school district's failure to elect a person to succeed a member whose term has expired, elected school board member fails to qualify or a school board member's resignation. If the vacancy occurs to other events listed in 13-8-23 (1), (2), (4), (5), (6), (7) or (8), the vacancy is filled only by the remaining board members.
HB 1125	An Act to revise certain provisions regarding the notice for meeting of public bodies.	Propose agenda for a public meeting must be visible and readable for at least an entire 24 hours immediately preceding any meeting.
HB 1176	An Act to authorize a person to be on the general election ballot for president or vice president and another office.	Repeals section 12-5-3.17 and 12-7-8 and amends 12-6-3 to only allow a candidate for the office of President of the US or vice president of the United States to be up for nomination or election to more than one public office.

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HB 1177	An Act to remove certain exceptions to campaign finance report filings.	Candidate or candidate committee for any statewide or legislative office whose name appears on the primary ballot, but does not appear on the general election ballot, shall submit a campaign finance disclosure statement, or termination report, which shall be received by the secretary of state by 5:00 p.m. on the second Friday of August following that primary election. Changes the year end campaign finance report to be submitted by 5:00 pm on the first Monday in February.
House & Senate Joint Resolutions		
HJR 1003	Proposing and submitting to the electors at the next general election an amendment to Article XIV of the Constitution of the State of South Dakota, relating to the authority of the Board of Regents.	This will be on the 2016 general election ballot. Will add the following language to Article XIV, section 3 of the SD Constitution: Postsecondary technical education institutes that offer career and technical associate of applied science degrees and certificates or their successor equivalents and that are funded wholly or in part by the state shall be separately governed as determined by the Legislature.
HJR 1005	Designating Oglala Lakota County as the new name of Shannon County	This name change went into effect on May 1, 2015