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BALLOT QUESTION VALIDATED FOR 2022 GENERAL ELECTION

PIERRE – Secretary of State Steve Barnett announced a petition submitted for an amendment to the South Dakota Constitution was validated and filed by his office today. This ballot measure would expand Medicaid eligibility in South Dakota. The measure will be titled Constitutional Amendment D and will appear on the 2022 General Election ballot on November 8, 2022.

A constitutional amendment currently requires 33,922 valid signatures in order to qualify for the ballot. “As outlined in South Dakota Codified Law § 2-1-16, our office conducted a random sample of the petition signatures and found 82.13 percent to be valid,” stated Secretary Barnett. Based on the results of the random sample, 38,244 signatures were deemed valid.

Upon the filing of a ballot measure, any citizen may challenge the Secretary of State’s validation of the measure under South Dakota Codified Law § 2-1-17.1. Citizens challenging the validation shall submit an original, signed affidavit to the Office of the Secretary of State no more than 30 days after validation. Electronic submissions of affidavits will not be accepted. For this measure, the deadline to file a challenge is Thursday, February 3, 2022 at 5:00 p.m. central time.

Detailed information on specific 2022 Ballot Questions may be found on the Secretary of State's website at <https://sdsos.gov/elections-voting/upcoming-elections/general-information/2022-ballot-questions.aspx>.