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May 8, 2018

Hon. Shantel Krebs
Secretary of State
500 E. Capitol
Pierre, SD 57501

**RE: Attorney General's Statement for Constitutional Amendment Z
(requirements regarding amendments to the constitution)**

Dear Secretary Krebs,

During the 2018 legislative session the Legislature passed House Joint Resolution 1006, a proposed constitutional amendment that will be placed on the November 2018 general election ballot (copy enclosed). In accordance with SDCL 12-13-9, I hereby file the enclosed Attorney General's Statement with respect to this amendment.

Very truly yours,

Marty J. Jackley
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cc/enc.: Jason Hancock, Director of LRC

Filed this 8th day of
May 2018

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2018 BALLOT EXPLANATION
CONSTITUTIONAL AMENDMENT Z

Title: An amendment to the South Dakota Constitution establishing that a proposed constitutional amendment may embrace only one subject, and requiring proposed amendments to be presented and voted on separately.

Explanation:

By law, any proposed amendment to the South Dakota Constitution must first be submitted to and approved by a vote of the people.

Constitutional Amendment Z changes the Constitution to add the requirement that a proposed amendment may not embrace more than one subject. In addition, multiple amendments proposed at the same election must be individually presented and voted on separately.

Vote "Yes" to adopt the amendment.

Vote "No" to leave the Constitution as it is.

A JOINT RESOLUTION, Proposing and submitting to the electors at the next general election an amendment to the Constitution of the State of South Dakota, relating to amendments to the Constitution.

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE STATE OF SOUTH DAKOTA, THE SENATE CONCURRING THEREIN:

Section 1. That at the next general election held in the state, the following amendment to Article XXIII, section 1 of the Constitution of the State of South Dakota, as set forth in section 2 of this Joint Resolution, which is hereby agreed to, shall be submitted to the electors of the state for approval.

Section 2. That Article XXIII, section 1 of the Constitution of the State of South Dakota, be amended to read as follows:

§ 1. 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; however, no proposed amendment may embrace more than one subject. If more than one amendment is submitted at the same election, each amendment shall be so prepared and distinguished that it can be voted upon separately.

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I certify that the attached
Resolution originated in the

HOUSE as Joint Resolution No.
1006



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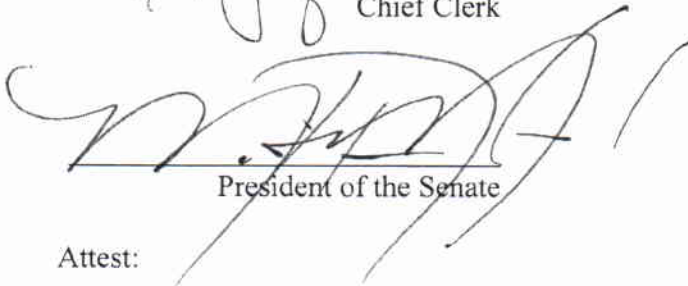


Speaker of the House

Attest:

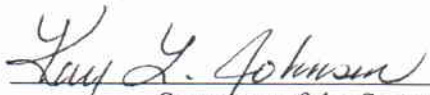


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President of the Senate

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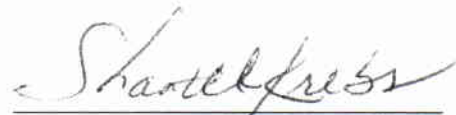
Secretary of the Senate

STATE OF SOUTH DAKOTA,

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Office of the Secretary of State

Filed March 9, 2018
at 1:05 o'clock P.M.



Secretary of State

By _____
Asst. Secretary of State

House Joint Resolution No. 1006
File No. _____
Chapter No. _____