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SENATE BILL NO. 166

Introduced by: Senators Brown, Lederman, and Novstrup (David) and Representatives Stalzer, Bolin, Gosch, Haggar (Don), Rounds, Solum, Westra, and Wink

1   FOR AN ACT ENTITLED, An Act to revise the method used to calculate the petition

2   signatures to place initiated measures on the ballot and to declare an emergency.

3   BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF SOUTH DAKOTA:

4   Section 1. That § 2-1-5 be repealed.

5   ~~2-1-5. The total number of votes cast for Governor at the last preceding gubernatorial~~

6   ~~election, shall for the purposes of this chapter, be the basis for determining the number of~~

7   ~~petitioners required.~~

8   Section 2. That chapter 2-1 be amended by adding thereto a NEW SECTION to read as

9   follows:

10   For purposes of this chapter, qualified electors shall mean the total registered voters eligible

11   to cast a ballot for Governor in the preceding gubernatorial election as determined by the

12   secretary of state.

13   Section 3. Whereas, this Act is necessary for the support of the state government and its

14   existing public institutions, an emergency is hereby declared to exist, and this Act shall be in

15   full force and effect from and after its passage and approval.