

AN ACT

ENTITLED, An Act to change how rural fire protection districts conduct elections.

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

Section 1. That § 34-31A-43 be amended to read as follows:

34-31A-43. A regular meeting of the registered voters who are residing within the boundaries of a district shall be held in the first quarter of each calendar year and special meetings may be called by the board of directors at any time. The annual election may be conducted during the regular meeting consistent with the provisions of chapter 8-3. Notice of the annual election shall be given by the secretary-treasurer by one publication in a legal newspaper of general circulation in each county in which the district is situated. The meeting shall be held not less than seven days nor more than fourteen days after the date of publication of the notice.

Section 2. That chapter 34-31A be amended by adding thereto a NEW SECTION to read as follows:

The board of directors of a rural fire protection district may choose to hold a rural fire protection district general election in conjunction with a regular municipal election. The combined election is subject to approval by the governing body of the municipality. The combined election shall be held on the regular date for the general municipal election. Expenses of a combined election shall be shared in a manner agreed upon by the governing bodies of the rural fire protection district and the municipality. All other governmental responsibilities associated with holding elections shall be shared as agreed upon by the governing bodies.

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I certify that the attached Act
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HOUSE as Bill No. 1087

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Chief Clerk
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Speaker of the House

Attest:

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Chief Clerk

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President of the Senate

Attest:

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Secretary of the Senate

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Received at this Executive Office
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By \_\_\_\_\_  
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The attached Act is hereby
approved this \_\_\_\_\_ day of
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Governor

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STATE OF SOUTH DAKOTA,
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Secretary of State

By \_\_\_\_\_  
Asst. Secretary of State