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HOUSE BILL NO. 1188

Introduced by: Representatives Gibson, Bartling, Feickert, Hawks, Hawley, Heinert, Hunhoff (Bernie), Killer, Kirschman, Parsley, Peterson, Ring, Schrempp, Tyler, and Wismer and Senators Lucas, Buhl O'Donnell, Frerichs, Jones (Tom), Sutton, and Welke

- 1 FOR AN ACT ENTITLED, An Act to revise the manner in which the Governor is to make
- 2 appointments to legislative vacancies.
- 3 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF SOUTH DAKOTA:
- 4 Section 1. Whenever a vacancy occurs in the Legislature, whether by death, resignation, or
- 5 removal, the Governor, prior to making an appointment, pursuant to S.D. Const., Art. IV, § 3,
- 6 shall solicit from the caucus of the party where the vacancy exists, a list of not less than three
- 7 nor more than five, well-qualified candidates whose appointment would both do the Legislature
- 8 honor and, insofar as possible, respect the decision of the electors by providing a successor to
- 9 the departed legislator whose political views are similar to those of the previously elected
- 10 legislator.

