

SAMPLE GENERAL ELECTION BALLOT

A November 3, 2026	B Hanson County	C SOUTH DAKOTA
Instructions to the Voter: To vote for a person FILL IN the oval next to the name. To vote on a ballot question FILL IN the oval next to "yes" or "no". Use only a pencil or pen. If you make a mistake, give the ballot back and get a new one. DO NOT cast more votes than are allowed in each race. For United States Senator you may vote for <u>one</u> or leave it blank ☐ Mike Rounds Republican Party ☐ Brian L Bengs Independent For United States Representative you may vote for <u>one</u> or leave it blank ☐ Marty Jackley Republican Party ☐ Nicole "Nikki" Gronli Democratic Party For Governor and Lieutenant Governor to be elected as a team, you may vote for <u>one</u> or leave it blank ☐ Larry Rhoden for Governor and Tony Venhuizen for Lieutenant Governor Republican Party ☐ Dan Ahlers for Governor and Steven McCleerey for Lieutenant Governor Democratic Party For Secretary of State you may vote for <u>one</u> or leave it blank ☐ Heather Baxter Republican Party ☐ Tamara J. Lesnar Libertarian Party ☐ Terrence Davis Democratic Party	For Attorney General you may vote for <u>one</u> or leave it blank ☐ Lance Russell Republican Party For State Auditor you may vote for <u>one</u> or leave it blank ☐ Catherine Barranco Republican Party ☐ Tom Cool Democratic Party For State Treasurer you may vote for <u>one</u> or leave it blank ☐ Melissa Hull Republican Party ☐ Margaret Kuipers Democratic Party For Commissioner of School and Public Lands you may vote for <u>one</u> or leave it blank ☐ Brock Greenfield Republican Party ☐ Raeann Mettler Democratic Party For Public Utilities Commissioner you may vote for <u>one</u> or leave it blank ☐ Don Haggard Republican Party ☐ Frank Kloucek Democratic Party	For State Senator District 19 you may vote for <u>one</u> or leave it blank ☐ Kyle Schoenfish Republican Party ☐ Russell E. Graeff Democratic Party For State Representative District 19 you may vote for up to <u>two</u> or leave it blank ☐ Drew Peterson Republican Party ☐ Jessica Bahmuller Republican Party ☐ Heidi Hora Democratic Party
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NONPOLITICAL BALLOT	Constitutional Amendment J Title: An Amendment to the South Dakota Constitution Clarifying that an Individual Must Be a Citizen of the United States to be Eligible to Vote. Attorney General Explanation: Article VII, § 2 of the South Dakota Constitution defines who is qualified to vote in state elections. Among these qualifications are age, residency, and United States citizenship requirements. Article VII, § 2 also establishes that individuals may be disqualified from voting because of mental incompetence or a felony conviction. This constitutional amendment adds people who are not United States citizens to the list of individuals disqualified from voting, clarifying the existing requirement that only citizens may vote in state elections. ☐ Yes "Vote 'Yes' to adopt the amendment." ☐ No "Vote 'No' to leave the Constitution as it is."	Constitutional Amendment K Title: An Amendment to the South Dakota Constitution Establishing the Trust for Unclaimed Property Fund. Attorney General Explanation: Under South Dakota statute, intangible property is presumed to be abandoned if it remains unclaimed by the owner for more than three years after it became payable or distributable. Examples of intangible property are traveler's checks, money orders, bank deposits, refunds, stocks, funds owed under a life insurance policy, and property held in a safe deposit box. Abandoned intangible property is transferred to the State Treasurer to hold while waiting for the owner to claim it. The State Treasurer must provide public notice of the abandoned property. This proposed constitutional amendment establishes a trust fund where unclaimed abandoned property will be deposited. Portions of the interest and income from this fund will be distributed into the general fund for the benefit of the state. This proposed amendment requires the Legislature to determine the amount to be distributed that promotes the growth of the trust fund and the distributed amount. ☐ Yes "Vote 'Yes' to adopt the amendment." ☐ No "Vote 'No' to leave the Constitution as it is."
Constitutional Amendment I Title: An Amendment to the South Dakota Constitution that Repeals Expanded Medicaid Coverage if Federal Funding for the Program Drops below 90%. Attorney General Explanation: Medicaid is a program, funded by the State and the federal government, to provide medical coverage for low-income children, pregnant women, disabled individuals, and the elderly. In the 2022 General Election the voters approved Constitutional Amendment D, which expanded Medicaid eligibility in South Dakota. Amendment D requires the State to also provide Medicaid benefits to anyone over the age of 18 and under 65 whose income is at or below 133% of the federal poverty level, plus 5% of the federal poverty level for the applicable family size. Currently, federal law requires the federal government to fund 90% of South Dakota's Medicaid expansion. This proposed Constitutional Amendment ends the expanded Medicaid coverage if the federal funding for expansion drops below 90%. If federal funding drops below that 90% threshold, Medicaid coverage will once again only apply to low-income children, pregnant women, disabled individuals, and the elderly. ☐ Yes "Vote 'Yes' to adopt the amendment." ☐ No "Vote 'No' to leave the Constitution as it is."	Constitutional Amendment J Title: An Amendment to the South Dakota Constitution Clarifying that an Individual Must Be a Citizen of the United States to be Eligible to Vote. Attorney General Explanation: Article VII, § 2 of the South Dakota Constitution defines who is qualified to vote in state elections. Among these qualifications are age, residency, and United States citizenship requirements. Article VII, § 2 also establishes that individuals may be disqualified from voting because of mental incompetence or a felony conviction. This constitutional amendment adds people who are not United States citizens to the list of individuals disqualified from voting, clarifying the existing requirement that only citizens may vote in state elections. ☐ Yes "Vote 'Yes' to adopt the amendment." ☐ No "Vote 'No' to leave the Constitution as it is."	Constitutional Amendment K Title: An Amendment to the South Dakota Constitution Establishing the Trust for Unclaimed Property Fund. Attorney General Explanation: Under South Dakota statute, intangible property is presumed to be abandoned if it remains unclaimed by the owner for more than three years after it became payable or distributable. Examples of intangible property are traveler's checks, money orders, bank deposits, refunds, stocks, funds owed under a life insurance policy, and property held in a safe deposit box. Abandoned intangible property is transferred to the State Treasurer to hold while waiting for the owner to claim it. The State Treasurer must provide public notice of the abandoned property. This proposed constitutional amendment establishes a trust fund where unclaimed abandoned property will be deposited. Portions of the interest and income from this fund will be distributed into the general fund for the benefit of the state. This proposed amendment requires the Legislature to determine the amount to be distributed that promotes the growth of the trust fund and the distributed amount. ☐ Yes "Vote 'Yes' to adopt the amendment." ☐ No "Vote 'No' to leave the Constitution as it is."
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