November 8, 2022	South Dakota	Butte County
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NSTRUCTIONS TO THE VOTER: To vote for a person FILL IN the oval ( ) next to the name.  DO NOT cast more votes than are allowed in each race.  Judge of the Circuit Court For Fourth Circuit, Position A, You may vote for one or leave it blank.  Eric J. Strawn  For Fourth Circuit, Position B, You may vote for one or leave it blank.  Michael W. Day  For Fourth Circuit, Position C, You may vote for one or leave it blank.  Michelle Palmer Comer  For Fourth Circuit, Position D, You may vote for one or leave it blank.  Tina M. Hogue  Chad R. Callahan  Jennifer Tomac  John H. Fitzgerald  David V. Natvig	INSTRUCTIONS TO THE VOTER:  To vote on a ballot question FILL IN the oval (●) next to "yes" or "no".  DO NOT cast more votes than are allowed in each race.  Constitutional Amendment The following amendment to the State Constitution is submitted to the voters by petition. The amendment will not become effective unless approved by majority vote.  Constitutional Amendment D  Title: An initiated amendment to the South Dakota Constitution expanding Medicaid eligibility.  Attorney General Explanation: Medicaid is a program, funded by the State and the federal government, to provide medical coverage for low-income people who are in certain designated categories. This constitutional amendment expands Medicaid eligibility in South Dakota. It requires the State to provide Medicaid benefits to any person over age 18 and under 65 whose income is at or below 133% of the federal poverty level, plus 5% of the federal poverty level, plus 5% of the federal poverty level, plus 5% of the federal poverty level, provide in federal law. For people who qualify under this amendment, the State may not impose burdens or restrictions that are greater than those imposed on any other person eligible for Medicaid benefits under South Dakota law.  The South Dakota Department of Social Services must submit to the federal government all documentation required to implement this amendment and must take all actions necessary to maximize federal funding for this expansion.  Fiscal Note  The proposed expansion of Medicaid could cover an additional 42,500 eligible individuals, with a total estimated cost over the first five years of \$1,515,214,000. For the fir	Initiated Measure  The following initiated measure was proposed by petition-for-submission to the voters. This initiated measure will not become effective unless approved by majority vote.  Initiated Measure 27  Title: An initiated measure legalizing the possession, use, and distribution of marijuana.  Attorney General Explanation: This initiated measure legalizes the possession, use, and distribution of marijuana and marijuana paraphernalia by people age 21 and older. Individuals may possess one ounce or less of marijuana. They may also distribute one ounce or less of marijuana produced from those plants, may be possessed under specific conditions. Marijuana plants may only be grown, and the marijuana from those plants may only be possessed, in counties or cities where no licensed retail marijuana store is available or where allowed by county or city ordinances.  Certain violations of the restrictions the measure places on the possession, use, and distribution of marijuana and marijuana paraphernalia are subject to various civil penalties. Individuals under age 21 can attend drug education or counseling instead of paying a civil penalty.  The measure legalizes substances considered felony-controlled substances under State law. Marijuana remains illegal under Federal law.  Judicial or legislative clarification of the measure may be necessary.  Fiscal Note  The State and counties could see a minima decrease in expenses due to decreased incarceration for marijuana-related offenses and the State could see marginal additional revenue in the form of new civil penalty fines.  No Vote "No" to leave South Dakota law as it is.
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