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Hon. Shantel Krebs Secretary of State 500 E. Capitol Pierre, SD 57501

Re: Attorney General's Explanation for Constitutional Amendment R

Dear Secretary Krebs,

Pursuant to SDCL 12-13-9, enclosed is the Attorney General's Explanation for Constitutional Amendment R that will appear on the ballot for the November 2016 general election.

Very truly yours,

MARTY J. JACKLEY Attorney General

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ATTORNEY GENERAL 2016 BALLOT EXPLANATION CONSTITUTIONAL AMENDMENT R

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<u>Title:</u> An Amendment to the South Dakota Constitution regarding postsecondary technical education institutes.

Explanation:

Under the South Dakota Constitution, the Board of Regents is responsible for postsecondary educational institutions funded entirely or in part by the State. Constitutional Amendment R applies to postsecondary technical education institutes that receive state funding and offer career and technical associate of applied science degrees, certificates, or their equivalents. Currently, there are four such institutes: Lake Area Technical Institute, Mitchell Technical Institute, Southeast Technical Institute, and Western Dakota Technical Institute. Under the amendment, postsecondary technical institutes will be governed separately in a manner to be determined by the Legislature.

The amendment also clarifies that the Board of Regents retains control over state-funded postsecondary educational institutions offering associate of arts, associate of sciences, bachelor's, and postgraduate degrees.

A vote "Yes" is for adding a provision to the Constitution regarding postsecondary technical educational institutes.

A vote "No" will leave the Constitution as it is.

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