



2019 Post Election/Pre-Legislative Session

Is It Safe to Come Out Now???

Voter Participation Rates

Overall – 62.75% - 341,546 of 544,282

Absentee Votes – 26%

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- Attorney Gen – 324,575
- Sec. of State – 323,816
- Treasurer – 312,727
- Auditor – 315,630
- Comm S/Pub – 310,151
- PUC Comm – 315,307
- IM-24 – 315,061
- **IM-25 – 331,109**
- Amend W – 316,782
- Amend X – 308,024
- Amend Z – 313,670

A Look at Absentee Voting

- **2018 – Absentee Ballots**

- 92,238 Requested
- 89,329 Returned

- Total of 341,546 **26.15%**

- 63% overall

- **2016**

- 378,995 – Total Votes
- 108,733 Absentee
- **28.68%** -
 - 69% overall

- **2014**

- 282,291 – Total Votes
- 55,292 – Absentee
- **19.58%**
 - 53% overall



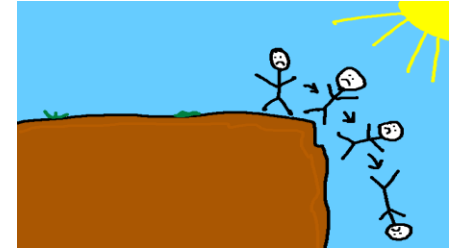
Source: Dakota Free Press

<u>Ballot Measure</u>	<u>Total Votes</u>	<u>Drop off</u>
W	316,782	6.60%
X	308,024	9.18%
Z	313,670	7.51%
24	315,061	7.10%
25	331,109	2.37%
Average	316,929	6.55%



Voter Fall Off

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Ballot Measures

- **IM-24 – Ban on out of state contributions to ballot issue committees – Yes 56%**
- **IM-25 – Tobacco Tax/ Tech Institutes –**
 - **No 55%**
- **Amend W – Ethics/ Finance – No 55%**
- **Amend X – Super Majority Amend – No 55%**
- **Amend Z – One Subject – Yes 62%**

Initiative/Referendums

- Initiatives/ referendums = 5% votes cast in most recent election for Governor
- Total votes for Governor = 339,154
 - $339,154 \times 0.05 = 16,958$ (currently 13,871)
- Constitutional Amendments = 10%
 - 33,916 (currently 27,714)
- Increase of 22%
 - Will require gathering 6,000 more signatures

Lather – Rinse – Repeat

Ballot Measures Filed for 2020

A constitutional amendment allowing wagering on sporting events.

Roger Tellinghuisen

A constitutional amendment to legalize cannabis.

Mr. Dale

An initiated amendment on election reform.

Cory Allen Heidelberger

A constitutional amendment to define crime.

Levi Breyfogle

A constitutional amendment allowing people to buy, sell, or rent any property or service.

Levi Breyfogle

The Next Legislature

- **Senate: 30 - 5** (was 29-6)
 - 27 Re-elected; 3 Crossovers; 1 Return; 4 Rookies
- **House: 59 - 11** (was 60-10)
 - 45 Re-elected; 1 Crossover; 3 Return; 21 Rookies
- **Totals:**
 - 72 Re-elected; 4 Crossovers; 4 Return; 25 Rookies
 - Last time (2017) had 29 rookies; 8 Return



Issues – New Administration

Expect Some Restructuring of Departments

- **Regulations and Boards**
 - Rounds – with DOR
 - Daugaard – with DOL
- **New Cabinet Members**
 - Shuffle vs. Replace
 - Moving to Pierre
- **Inspire public servant workforce while calling for change –**
 - Public doesn't know mgmt skills

Revenue from Remote Sales

- **Total revenue estimate = \$35-52 million**
- Internet sales 7% - 10% total retail sales
 - Higher percent over Christmas shopping
- Collected \$2-3 million voluntary compliance
- Collected more Amazon - \$4-5 million??
- **SD vs. Wayfair**
 - Collections started Nov 1st
 - SD businesses collect for other states
- \$20 Million = Reduce tax by 0.1%



Issue of Licensing Board

- Daugaard Kicked Off an Issue
- Noem Administration Decide to Continue
 - Workforce Issue – long training periods
 - Military Spouses – need to work
 - Rapid City Chamber Leading Concern
 - Sioux Falls Chamber – supporting w/DC fly-In.
- Drivers Licenses in Non-English



Bathrooms

- Regulate use of facilities based on “gender identity at birth”
 - School bathrooms
 - School locker rooms
 - Accommodation for transgender students
- Conservatives have waited – new Governor
- The economics of discrimination
 - Businesses value inclusiveness
 - NCAA will not award tournaments to states
- Balance Point??

UI Trust Fund – Projected 2018 & 2019

as of September 27, 2018

UI Financials - Quarterly Summary

(in Millions)

CY 2018	Actual	Actual	Projected	Projected	Total
	1st Qtr	2nd Qtr	3rd Qtr	4th Qtr	
Contribution/Inter In	\$4.5	\$12.8	\$8.7	\$6.0	\$32.0
Benefits Paid Out	\$12.6	\$5.8	\$3.5	\$5.7	\$27.6
Trust Fund	\$113.1	\$120.2	\$125.6	\$125.9	\$125.9
CY 2019	Projected	Projected	Projected	Projected	Total
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Contribution/Inter In	\$4.3	\$13.7	\$9.1	\$5.9	\$33.0
Benefits Paid Out	\$13.0	\$6.2	\$4.0	\$5.8	\$29.0
Trust Fund	\$117.2	\$124.7	\$129.8	\$129.9	\$129.9

*Actual data through August 2018.

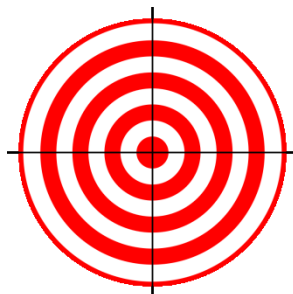
Productivity System Ag Property Taxes



- **Updating the soil charts**
 - Updating source of data (SDSU)
- ***“Highest and Best Use”***
 - Used in non-agriculture classes as well
 - Not possible to achieve that use – adjustments
 - Tax pressure transition land – edge of town
- **Actual use –**
- **Price declines – lower assessed values**
 - 8 year rolling average

Another Shot at Gun Laws

- **Guns in Trunks**
- **Conceal/Carry**
- **Guarantee “Gun Free Zones” – Detectors/Staff**



Sports Gambling



- **US Supreme Court**
 - Struck down 1992 federal law
 - Prohibited states from authorizing sports gambling
 - “Affront to state sovereignty” – Alito
- **South Dakota – Constitutional Amendment**
 - Ask Legislature to place on ballot (HJR/SJR)
 - Filed an initiative as back up
 - Apply only to where gambling legal
 - Deadwood/Reservations

Interim Committees

Special Education Fund

- Increase in enrollment
 - Autism spectrum
- Extraordinary Cost Fund
Help cover costs
 - Distr has to have special ed levy at the maximum
 - \$4 million year

Access to Mental Health Services

- Reviewed mental health services
- Toured facilities
- Discussed commitment process
- Reviewed outpatient providers
- Final meeting in December.

- **Business Day – Thursday February 21st**
 - **Registration 1:30**
 - **Business Caucus/ Legislative Briefing – 2 pm**
 - Reception with Heavy Hors D'oeuvres – 5 pm
 - Program with awards/speaker – 6 pm
 - Early adjournment – 7 pm



Connect and be in the know

- **Two Conference Calls Each Week**
- Each Wednesday at 4 pm Central
 - For Gov't Affairs Directors/Interested Members
- Each Friday at Noon Central
 - Local Chamber Legislative Committees/Staff

- **Any Questions?**
- **Any Comments?**
- *Muttering under your breath on the way out is allowed and encouraged*
- *Thank You Very Much*

