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April 25, 2016

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,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Marty J. Jackley", written over a horizontal line.

MARTY J. JACKLEY
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2016 BALLOT EXPLANATION
CONSTITUTIONAL AMENDMENT R

Title: 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.