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Application for Referendum on Senate Enrolled Act 1 Certified

State Capital-- The Secretary of State's office has certified the application for a referendum that seeks to repeal 2013 Senate Enrolled Act 1 (original Senate File 104) which amended the duties of, and transferred specified duties from, the state superintendent of public instruction to the director of the state department of education.

"Our office has reviewed the application submitted by the sponsors of the referendum and determined that it meets the requirements of the law," said Peggy Nighswonger, State Election Director.

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Certification of the application authorizes sponsors of the measure to circulate petitions requesting that the issue be placed on the 2014 General Election ballot. Referendum sponsors have until 90 days following adjournment of the legislature to submit the signatures of 37,606 registered voters, which represents 15% of those who voted in the preceding general election. Signatures must also be representative of 15% of those residing in at least two-thirds of Wyoming counties.

Nighswonger said that May 28, 2013, is the deadline for sponsors of the referendum to submit the required signatures. The signatures would then be verified by the Secretary of State's office.

Information on the referendum process may be found on the Secretary of State's website at http://soswy.state.wy.us/Elections/InitandRef.aspx .