

SDSRT Legislative Committee Report

April 27th, 2018

The Legislative Committee has reviewed proposed legislation for anything pertaining to the radiologic sciences that is being discussed during the South Dakota Legislative Session. We are also researching the candidates for governor. The 2018 South Dakota gubernatorial election will take place on November 6, 2018 to elect the next Governor of South Dakota. Incumbent Governor Dennis Daugaard is term-limited and cannot seek re-election to a third consecutive term. With a new governor on the horizon comes some new office appointments, and once that is done there will be work for us to do in introducing these people to our organization and reopening lines of communication. We encourage you to educate yourselves on the Gubernatorial Candidates and what they stand for. Attend town hall meetings if you can, look at candidate profiles and websites, and please vote.

The SDSRT Board of Directors has been putting finishing touches on policies which offer some structure to the Legislative Committee. The members of the Legislative Committee are appointed by the Board of Directors, so if you are interested in serving please visit with one of the Board Members.

The 2018-19 Action Plan for the Legislative Committee will include:

1) Education

- SD is a non-licensure state.
 - o What does this mean?
 - o How does this impact our profession?

2) Feedback

- Survey
- Information reported back to membership.

3) Participation

- ASRT Advocacy Subcommittee participation.

4) Updated Website

- The Legislative page on the SDSRT website will be updated.
 - o History of our legislative efforts
 - o What we're currently working on
 - o Contact us

The Legislative Committee is committed to doing its best in representing the SDSRT membership. In order to successfully achieve our goals, it is imperative that we speak with one voice, stay educated on healthcare issues as they impact our profession, and provide support to one another. We need to hear from you and welcome your comments and questions.

Respectfully,

Kevin Lawrence

2018-19 Legislative Committee Chairperson