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## **Venhuizen Reappointed to Board of Regents**

PIERRE – Tonnis H. “Tony” Venhuizen of Armour has been reappointed by Gov. Mike Rounds to the South Dakota Board of Regents, the Governor's Office announced.

Venhuizen is the student regent on the nine-member board, which is the constitutional governing board for South Dakota's six public universities and two special schools. The student regent, who has full voting rights and serves a two-year term, must be enrolled in a postsecondary institution governed by the regents.

Venhuizen will be a senior this fall at South Dakota State University, where he pursues a double major in political science and history. Earlier this year he received the prestigious Truman Scholarship, which recognizes college juniors with exceptional leadership potential who are committed to careers in public service.

"Over the past year, Tony has done an outstanding job representing students on the Board of Regents," Gov. Rounds said. "He is an effective voice for students, and I'm very pleased he will continue to serve the citizens of South Dakota as a regent."

Venhuizen was appointed to the Board of Regents in 2003 to fill an unexpired term. His reappointment is effective immediately and continues through July 1, 2006.