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Governor Names Kevin Schieffer To Board Of Regents

PIERRE, S.D. – Gov. Dennis Daugaard announced today that he will appoint Kevin Schieffer of Sioux Falls to the South Dakota Board of Regents.

Schieffer retired in 2008 after 12 years as CEO of the Dakota, Minnesota and Eastern Railroad. Prior to that, he worked as United States Attorney for South Dakota from 1991 to 1993, engaged in private practice for three years and served as chief of staff to U.S. Senator Larry Pressler from 1982 to 1991.

Schieffer earned his bachelor's degree from The University of South Dakota and is a graduate of Georgetown University School of Law.

“Kevin Schieffer understands the value of higher education,” said Gov. Daugaard. “It allowed him to come from a modest background to achieve success in government, law and business. His broad experience and his interest in education will make him a strong addition to the Regents.”

Schieffer's appointment is effective immediately. He replaces Carole Pagones, who retired from the Regents last month after 10 years of service.