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State Prison Inmate Dies

(Pierre) - An inmate at the South Dakota State Penitentiary has died from apparent natural causes.

Wilbert Gillette, age 76, was found unresponsive in his cell late Sunday night.

Staff responded and began to administer CPR. An ambulance arrived a short time later and transported Gillette to a Sioux Falls hospital. Gillette was pronounced dead at approximately 11:21 PM.

Gillette was serving a five-year sentence for Sexual Contact with a Child Under the Age of 16 out of Minnehaha County.

An autopsy will be conducted. The Division of Criminal Investigation will investigate the death, as is customary in the death of an inmate.

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