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State Prison Inmate Dies

(Pierre) - A state prison inmate has died following an apparent heart attack.

Richard Tormanen, age 48, suffered the apparent heart attack while working his normal job at a state office building in Sioux Falls. Efforts to revive him were unsuccessful.

At the time of his death, Tormanen was serving a two-year sentence for Driving Under the Influence out of Hamlin County. He was housed at Unit C, the minimum-security unit of the G. Norton Jameson Annex to the South Dakota State Penitentiary in Sioux Falls.

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