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State Prison Inmate Dies

(Pierre) – A state prison inmate has died.

George Royce, age 68, died at a Sioux Falls hospital at approximately 2:45 p.m. Thursday. He had been hospitalized since September 14th.

Royce was serving a 15-year sentence out of Minnehaha County for sexual contact with a child under the age of 16.

The Division of Criminal Investigation is investigating the death, as is required by state law. An autopsy will be conducted.