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### **Former Sen. Abourezk to Sign Books in Pierre**

PIERRE, S.D. – A book signing in Pierre by former U.S. Sen. James Abourezk has been rescheduled for Wednesday, Dec. 11.

Signings of “Advise & Dissent: Memoirs of an Ex-Senator” will take place from 2-4 p.m. CST at the Cultural Heritage Center, 900 Governors Dr., and from 4:30-6 p.m. at Prairie Pages Bookseller, 321 S. Pierre St.

“A previously scheduled book signing in Pierre was postponed. We’re pleased that the senator is able to travel to Pierre and sign copies of his memoirs,” said Michael Lewis, president of the South Dakota Historical Society Foundation. The foundation is the nonprofit fundraising partner of the South Dakota State Historical Society and is sponsoring the book signing at the Cultural Heritage Center.

Abourezk, who lives in Sioux Falls, represented South Dakota as a Democrat in the U.S. House of Representatives from 1971-1973 and in the U.S. Senate from 1973-1979.

“Advise & Dissent” tells Abourezk’s story from his coming of age as the son of Lebanese immigrants in South Dakota to his entrance into and voluntary exit from the U.S. Senate. A paperback edition of “Advise & Dissent” was published by the University of Nebraska Press in September.

Copies of the book will be available at the book signing, or they can be purchased beforehand at the Heritage Stores at the Cultural Heritage Center and state Capitol or at Prairie Pages.

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