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OPINION LETTER NO. 205-2023

The Honorable John R. Ashcroft
Missouri Secretary of State
James C. Kirkpatrick State Information Center
600 West Main Street
Jefferson City, MO 65101


Dear Secretary Ashcroft:

This opinion letter responds to your request dated March 29, 2023, for our review under § 116.334, RSMo of a proposed summary statement prepared for the petition submitted by Winston Apple, 2024-074. The proposed summary statement is as follows:

Do you want to amend the Missouri Constitution to allow a referendum to be ordered either by petitions signed by five percent of the legal voters in each of two-thirds of the congressional districts in the state or by a one-third vote of the members of either house of the general assembly, who may order a special election by a one-third vote in either house in a spate resolution related to the proposed amendment?

Pursuant to § 116.334, RSMo, we approve the legal content and form of the proposed statement. Because our review of the statement is mandated by statute, no action that we take with respect to such review should be construed as an endorsement of the petition, nor as the expression of any view regarding the objectives of its proponents.

Very truly yours,



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