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OPINION LETTER NO. 58-2012

The Honorable Thomas A. Schweich
Missouri State Auditor
State Capitol, Room 121
Jefferson City, MO 65101

Dear Auditor Schweich:

This office received your letter of January 13, 2012, submitting a fiscal note and fiscal note summary prepared under § 116.175, RSMo, for an initiative petition submitted by Paul C. Wilson (version 1.0a). The fiscal note summary that you submitted is as follows:

State governmental entities estimated annual implementation costs of \$90,000. State and local governmental entities said the proposal may cause an unknown increase in their electric utility costs. Utilities estimated that increase would be at least \$4 million annually. Higher utility costs may negatively impact the state's economy including state and local governmental revenues.

Under § 116.175.4, RSMo, we approve the legal content and form of the fiscal note summary. Because our review of the fiscal note summary is mandated by statute, no action that we take with respect to such review should

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be construed as an endorsement of the initiative petition or as the expression of any view regarding the objectives of its proponents.

Very truly yours,



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