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OPINION LETTER NO. 143-2012

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 November 28, 2012, submitting a fiscal note and fiscal note summary prepared under § 116.175, RSMo, for an initiative petition submitted by Ron Calzone, version 2 (14-005). The fiscal note summary that you submitted is as follows:

The total cost or savings to state or local governmental entities is unknown. Most state governmental entities estimate the proposal results in no fiscal impact; however, some state entities reported potential unknown fiscal impact or costs. The estimated costs, if any, to local governmental entities could be significant.

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,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Chris Koster". The signature is fluid and cursive, with a long horizontal stroke at the end.

CHRIS KOSTER
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