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OPINION LETTER NO. 85-2013

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

Dear Secretary Kander:

This opinion letter responds to your request dated October 31, 2013, for our review under § 116.334, RSMo, of a proposed summary statement prepared for the petition submitted by Rodney Gray regarding a proposed constitutional amendment to amend Article IV of the Missouri Constitution, version 2 (2014-052). The proposed summary statement is as follows:

Shall the Missouri Constitution be amended to:

- increase funding for state, county, and municipal street, road, bridge, highway, and public transportation initiatives by increasing state sales/use tax by 1 %;
- prohibit a change in gasoline taxes and prohibit toll roads or bridges; and
- require these measures to be re-approved by voters every 10 years?

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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,

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
Attorney General