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OPINION LETTER NO. 277-2015

The Honorable Nicole Galloway
Missouri State Auditor
State Capitol, Room 121
Jefferson City, MO 65101

Dear Auditor Galloway:

This office received your letter of November 25, 2015, submitting a fiscal note and fiscal note summary prepared under § 116.175, RSMo, for an initiative petition submitted by Bradley Ketcher, version 20 (16-137). The fiscal note summary that you submitted is as follows:

State governmental entities estimate annual operating costs will increase at least \$61,000, may increase an additional \$125,000, and may result in minimal incarceration costs if people are convicted under the provisions of this petition. Local governmental entities report no expected fiscal impact.

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 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".

CHRIS KOSTER
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