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OPINION LETTER NO. 163-2017

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

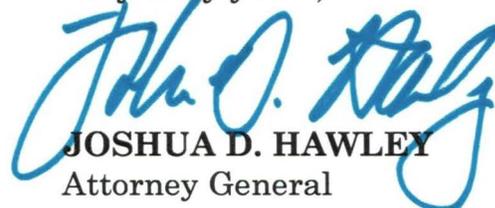
Dear Auditor Galloway:

This office received your letter of February 21, 2017, submitting a fiscal note and fiscal note summary prepared under § 116.175, RSMo, for an initiative petition submitted by Winston Apple, version 2 (18-151). The fiscal note summary that you submitted is as follows:

Legislative operating costs are estimated to decrease for state government by approximately \$5.4 million. This proposal could also result in necessary voting machine replacements statewide at an estimated unknown cost up to \$43.5 million.

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,

  
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