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OPINION LETTER NO. 342-2017

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

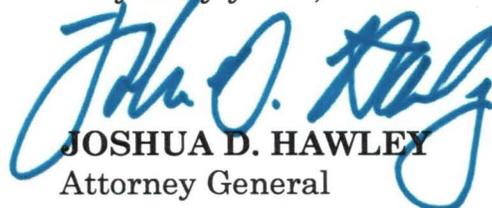
Dear Auditor Galloway:

This office received your letter of May 22, 2017, submitting a fiscal note and fiscal note summary prepared under § 116.175, RSMo, for an initiative petition submitted by Damien Johnson (18-224). The fiscal note summary that you submitted is as follows:

State governmental entities estimate one-time costs of \$239,000, increased annual costs of \$38,000, and unknown costs during each 2-year election cycle of up to \$900,000 depending on how many registered voters sign petitions electronically and the correspondence method the state uses. Local governmental entities expect no costs or savings.

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,

  
JOSHUA D. HAWLEY  
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