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OPINION LETTER NO. 438-2017

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

Dear Secretary Ashcroft:

This opinion letter responds to your request dated November 9, 2017, for our review under § 116.334, RSMo, of a proposed summary statement prepared for the petition submitted by Gerald Peterson regarding a proposed amendment to amend Chapter 115, Revised Statutes of Missouri (2018-295). The proposed summary statement is as follows:

Do you want to amend Missouri law to:

- prohibit the division of motor vehicles and its agents from questioning the citizenship of a person applying for a license or registering to vote;
- require the division of motor vehicles to personally deliver to and complete voter registration applications for people if they do not have enough forms on site;
- require electronic transmission of certain voter registration applications to the state's centralized voter registration system; and

- allow a non-photo voter identification card issued by a local election authority to be used to vote as a substitute for photo identification?

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,



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