



ATTORNEY GENERAL OF MISSOURI
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December 6, 2019

OPINION LETTER NO. 259-2019

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

Dear Auditor Galloway:

This office received your letter dated November 26, 2019, submitting a fiscal note summary prepared under § 116.175, RSMo, for an initiative petition submitted by Mary Ann Sedey, (2020-135) the fiscal note summary that you submitted is as follows:

State governmental entities expect one-time costs of at least \$1 million and possible ongoing costs. Local governments are expected to have costs of an unknown amount totaling at least \$746,000 in one-time costs, \$138,000 in annual costs, and \$149,000 in costs per election.

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. Furthermore, our review under § 116.175.4 does not examine the fairness or sufficiency of the estimated fiscal impact.

Very truly yours,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Eric S. Schmitt".

ERIC S. SCHMITT
Attorney General