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OPINION LETTER NO. 280-2019

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 December 16, 2019, for our review under § 116.334, RSMo, of a proposed summary statement prepared for the petition submitted by Winston Apple regarding a proposed amendment to amend Chapter 192, Revised Statutes of Missouri, (2020-141). The proposed summary statement is as follows:

- Do you want to amend Missouri law to create a state-run health insurance cooperative and a state-run health care cooperative administered by the Department of Health and Senior Services, allowing Missouri citizens the choice to participate in a state-run health cooperative that only provides coverage for treatments, procedures, and prescription medications deemed medically necessary by the Department of Health and Senior Services; and with membership dues (premiums) and out-of-pocket maximums to be adjusted annually based on a participant's income?

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,

A handwritten signature in black ink, reading "Eric S. Schmitt". The signature is written in a cursive style with a large, prominent "E" and "S".

ERIC S. SCHMITT
Attorney General