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OPINION LETTER NO. 79-2019

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 April 22, 2019, for our review under § 116.334, RSMo, of a proposed summary statement prepared for the petition submitted by Heidi Miller regarding a proposed amendment to amend Chapter 208, Revised Statutes of Missouri (2020-053). The proposed summary statement is as follows:

Do you want to amend Missouri law to:

- adopt Medicaid Expansion for persons 19 to 64 years old with an income level at or below 133% of the federal poverty level, as set forth in the Affordable Care Act;
- prohibit placing greater or additional burdens on eligibility or enrollment standards, methodologies or practices on persons covered under Medicaid Expansion than on any other population eligible for Medicaid; and
- require state agencies to take all actions necessary to maximize federal financial participation in funding medical assistance under Medicaid Expansion?

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 cursive script that reads "Eric S. Schmitt".

ERIC S. SCHMITT
Attorney General