

ATTORNEY GENERAL OF MISSOURI ANDREW BAILEY

April 8, 2024

OPINION LETTER NO. 10-2024

The Honorable Scott Fitzpatrick Missouri State Auditor State Capitol, Room 229 Jefferson City, MO 65101

Dear Auditor Fitzpatrick:

This office received your letter of March 28, 2024, submitting a fiscal note and fiscal note summary prepared under § 116.175, RSMo, for an initiative petition submitted by Deidre Hirner, 2024-174. The fiscal note summary that you submitted is as follows:

State government entities estimate annual increased revenue of approximately \$34 million, one-time costs of up to \$15,000, and annual increased costs of at least \$879,000. The revenue for local governmental entities could decreased by \$2.4 million annually due to decreased cigarette sales.

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,

ANDREW BAILEY
Attorney General