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OPINION LETTER NO. 283-2023

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

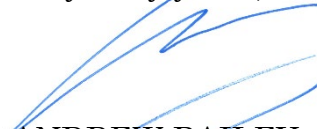
Dear Auditor Fitzpatrick:

This office received your letter of June 2, 2023, submitting a fiscal note and fiscal note summary prepared under § 116.175, RSMo, for an initiative petition submitted by Mark Pedersen, 2024-112. The fiscal note summary that you submitted is as follows:

State governmental entities estimate one-time costs of \$260 million and annual lost revenue of at least \$277.3 million. Businesses could annually pay an additional \$1 billion in federal unemployment taxes causing an unknown negative impact on the state's economy. Local governments are estimated to have annual lost revenue of at least \$40.9 million.

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,



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