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OPINION LETTER NO. 311-2023

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 July 31, 2023, for our review under § 116.332, RSMo of the sufficiency as to form of an initiative petition submitted by Paul Berry III, Article IX, 2024-122.

We conclude that the petition must be rejected for at least the following reasons:

Failure to follow the requirement for including the full and correct text of the measure contained in Section 116.050.2(1), RSMo.

Because of our rejection of the form of the petition for the reasons stated above, we have not reviewed the petition to determine whether additional deficiencies exist. Pursuant to § 116.332.4, RSMo, the Secretary of State is authorized to review this opinion and “make a final decision as to the approval or rejection of the form of the petition.”

Very truly yours,



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