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OPINION LETTER NO. 334-2023

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

Dear Auditor Fitzpatrick:

This office received your letter of September 1, 2023, submitting a fiscal note and fiscal note summary prepared under § 116.175, RSMo, for an initiative petition submitted by Paul Berry III, 2024-128. The fiscal note summary that you submitted is as follows:

State governmental entities expect increased costs of \$846,000 in the first year of implementation and annual costs thereafter of at least \$491,000. Public school districts expect an unknown fiscal impact that could significantly negative for any district that experiences a large decrease in enrollment.

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
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