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September 18, 2023

OPINION LETTER NO. 335-2023

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 September 7, 2023, for our review under § 116.334, RSMo of a proposed summary statement prepared for the petition submitted by Byron Keelin, 2024-123. The proposed summary statement is as follows:

Do you want to amend the Missouri Constitution to:

- guarantee the right of any individual to informed consent which includes the right to be informed about exposure to mRNA and/or gene-altering therapies and medical technologies or treatment;
- guarantee the right to refuse any medical technologies, procedures, or treatments, including, but not limited to injections, vaccines, or prophylactics;
- · potentially allow or prohibit abortion without consent of an unborn child; and
- prohibit any law, rule, order, ordinance, or regulation to require, mandate, or coerce any person to receive or use a medical procedure, treatment, vaccine, prophylactic, pharmaceutical or medical device?

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,

ANDREW BAILEY Attorney General

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