

ATTORNEY GENERAL OF MISSOURI ANDREW BAILEY

September 29, 2023

OPINION LETTER NO. 353-2023

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 19, 2023, submitting a fiscal note and fiscal note summary prepared under § 116.175, RSMo, for an initiative petition submitted by Jamie Corley, 2024-131. The fiscal note summary that you submitted is as follows:

The Attorney General's office and opponents estimate a potentially significant loss to state and local revenue. The Attorney General's office estimates increased state litigation costs of up to \$21 million. Other state governmental entities estimate no costs or savings. Local governments estimate reduced revenue of at least \$51,000 annually.

Please consider this letter to constitute the notice required of the Missouri Attorney General under Section 116.175.4, RSMo, as to the legal content and form of the proposed fiscal note summary. 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