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OPINION LETTER NO. 365-2023

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

Dear Auditor Fitzpatrick:

This office received your letter of October 3, 2023, submitting a fiscal note and fiscal note summary prepared under § 116.175, RSMo, for an initiative petition submitted by Greta Bax, 2024-143. The fiscal note summary that you submitted is as follows:

The Attorney General estimates increased legal costs of at least \$9 million. Other state entities estimate a cost of \$81,000 for required computer system updates. Local governmental entities estimate no costs or savings.

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  
Attorney General

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