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OPINION LETTER NO. 56-2025

The Honorable Denny Hoskins  
Missouri Secretary of State  
James C. Kirkpatrick State Information Center  
600 West Main Street  
Jefferson City, MO 65101

Dear Secretary Hoskins:

This opinion letter responds to your request dated May 2, 2025 for our review under § 116.334, RSMo of a proposed summary statement prepared for the petition submitted by Bradley Ketcher, 2026-038. The proposed summary statement is as follows:

Do you want to amend Missouri law to:

- define any location operated by a motor vehicle manufacturer that markets and processes or takes orders for new motor vehicles as a dealership subject to franchise laws;
- state that the intent of the law is to prevent manufacturers from circumventing dealership regulations; and
- remove an existing exemption that allows manufacturers to sell directly to consumers without using franchised dealers?

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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