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

Dear Secretary Kander:

You have submitted a proposed fair ballot language statement for Senate Committee Substitute for Senate Joint Resolution No. 27 relating to government access to electronic data. The fair ballot language statement, prepared pursuant to § 116.025, RSMo, is as follows:

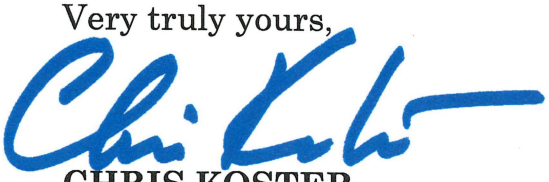
> A **"yes"** vote will amend the Missouri Constitution to specify that electronic data and communications have the same protections from unreasonable searches and seizures as persons, papers, homes, and effects.
>
> A **"no"** vote will not amend the Missouri Constitution regarding protections for electronic communications and data.
>
> If passed, this measure will have no impact on taxes.

Pursuant to § 116.025, RSMo, we approve the legal content and form of the proposed fair ballot language statement.

Because our review of the fair ballot language statement is mandated by statute, no action we take with respect to such review should be construed

as an endorsement of the joint resolution, nor as the expression of any view regarding the objectives of its proponents.

Very truly yours,



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