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OPINION LETTER NO. 215-2015

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:

This opinion letter responds to your request dated October 8, 2015, for our review under § 116.334, RSMo, of a proposed summary statement prepared for the petition submitted by Winston Apple regarding a proposed amendment to amend Chapter 192, Revised Statutes of Missouri (2016-091). The proposed summary statement is as follows:

Shall Missouri law be amended to:

- require the state to offer health insurance to individuals to cover medically necessary treatments and procedures;
- charge premiums and set out-of-pocket maximums to individuals who sign up for this state-issued insurance; and
- allow the state to issue bonds to pay start-up costs and budget shortfalls?

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

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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,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Chris Koster" with a long horizontal flourish extending to the right.

CHRIS KOSTER
Attorney General