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OPINION LETTER NO. 269-2015

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 November 12, 2015, for our review under § 116.334, RSMo, of a proposed summary statement prepared for the petition submitted by John Lamping regarding a proposed constitutional amendment to amend Article III of the Missouri Constitution, (2016-126). The proposed summary statement is as follows:

Shall the Missouri Constitution be amended to reduce the number of members serving in the Missouri House of Representatives from 163 to 123 beginning in 2023?

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,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Chris Koster".

CHRIS KOSTER  
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