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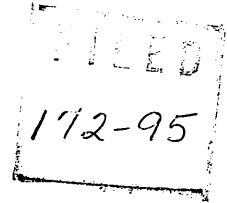
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OPINION LETTER NO: 172-95

The Honorable Rebecca McDowell Cook
Missouri Secretary of State
State Capitol Building
Jefferson City, MO 65101



Dear Secretary Cook:

You have submitted to us a statement of purpose prepared pursuant to Section 116.334, RSMo 1994. The statement which you have submitted is as follows:

Shall Article X of the Missouri Constitution be amended to add a new section 18(e) providing that, in addition to the revenue limit imposed on the general assembly by Section 18(a) of the Missouri Constitution, the general assembly shall not increase taxes or impose new taxes without voter approval?

See our Opinion Letter No. 170-95.

Pursuant to Section 116.334, we approve the legal content and form of the proposed statement. Since our review of the statement is mandated by statute, no action we take with respect to such review should be construed as an endorsement of the petition or as the expression of any view regarding the objectives of its proponents.

Under the provisions of Section 116.334, the approved statement of purpose, unless altered by a court, is the petition title for the measure circulated by the petition and the ballot title if the measure is placed on the ballot.

Sincerely,

A large, stylized handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Jay Nixon".

JEREMIAH W. (JAY) NIXON
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