



Lieutenant Governor Kevin Meyer
STATE OF ALASKA

October 26, 2021

Michael Sheldon
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Mr. Sheldon:

On August 27, 2021, I received your application for the following initiative that you entitled:

“An Act to Restore the Hammond 50-50 Plan with Historical Traditional Resident Payments Based on ‘35 Years of Precedent Payments.’”

I forwarded the application to the Division of Elections for verification of signatures and to the Department of Law for legal review.

The Division of Elections determined that 109 of the 126 signatures submitted were those of qualified voters. Therefore, the application has a sufficient number of sponsors to qualify for circulation of a petition under AS 15.45.030. The petition statistics report prepared by the Division of Elections is enclosed.

The Department of Law reviewed the application for compliance with AS 15.45.040 and recommends that I decline to certify this initiative on the grounds that the proposed bill is not in the required form. Based on this recommendation, and in accordance with AS 15.45.080, I am denying certification of your initiative application. A copy of the Department of Law opinion dated October 26, 2021 regarding the application is enclosed.

Please be advised that under AS 15.45.240, “any person aggrieved by a determination made by the lieutenant governor under AS 15.45.010 - AS 15.45.220 may bring an action in the superior court to have the determination reviewed within 30 days of the date on which notice of the determination was given.”

If you have further questions, please contact April Simpson in my office at (907) 465-4081.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Kevin Meyer".

Kevin Meyer
Lieutenant Governor