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Via regular U.S. Mail and E-mail

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Re: Submitted Petition for Initiated Constitutional Amendment to Amend Article V, Section 1 of the Ohio Constitution — “The Secure and Fair Elections Amendment (Resubmission)”

Dear Mr. McTigue,

On February 10, 2020, in accordance with Ohio Revised Code (“ORC”) Section 3519.01(A), I received a written petition containing (1) a copy of a proposed constitutional amendment to amend Article V, Section 1, and (2) a summary of the same measure.

It is my statutory duty to determine whether the submitted summary is a “fair and truthful statement of the proposed law or constitutional amendment.” ORC Section 3519.01(A). If I conclude that the summary is fair and truthful, I am to certify it as such within ten days of receipt of the petition. In this instance, the tenth day falls on Thursday, February 20, 2020.

Having examined the submission, I conclude that the summary is a fair and truthful statement of the proposed amendment. I therefore submitted the following certification to the Ohio Secretary of State:

Without passing on the advisability of the approval or rejection of the measure to be referred, but pursuant to the duties imposed upon the Attorney General’s Office under Section 3519.01(A) of the Ohio Revised Code, I hereby certify that the summary is a fair and truthful statement of the proposed amendment.

Yours,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Dave Yost".

Dave Yost
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