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Columbus, Ohio, January 31, 1956

Mr. Jerry Pardue, Cincinnati, Ohio

Dear Sir :

In accordance with the provisions of Section 3519.01, Revised Code, on January 31, 1956, you submitted for my examination an initiative petition proposing to amend Article V, Section 1, of the Constitution of the State of Ohio by extending the constitutional qualifications of an elector to citizens of the United States of the age of eighteen years.

Section 3519.01, Revised Code, provides that "If in the opinion of the attorney general the summary is a fair and truthful statement of the proposed * * * constitutional amendment, * * * he shall so certify." Under this statutory requirement, my consideration, of course, is confined to the question of whether or not the summary is a fair and truthful statement of the changes in the Constitution as set out in the text of the proposed constitutional provision contained in the initiative petition, without regard to the policy or wisdom of such proposal.

Upon examination of the summary and a comparison of such summary with the text of the proposed constitutional provision, I find that such summary is a fair and truthful statement of the amendment to the constitutional provision proposed by the initiative petition. The following certification is hereby made to be used as provided by law :

“Pursuant to the duties imposed upon me under the provisions of Section 3519.01, Revised Code, I hereby certify that the summary attached to the initiative petition, filed with me on January 31, 1956, is a fair and truthful statement of the amendment to the constitutional provision proposed by such initiative petition.

C. WILLIAM O'NEILL,
Attorney General.”

Respectfully,

C. WILLIAM O'NEILL
Attorney General