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Re: Submitted Petition for Initiated Constitutional Amendment “to prohibit abortion of all unborn human beings”

Dear Committee,

On September 2, 2016, I received a written petition proposing to add the Amendment “to prohibit abortion of all unborn human beings” to the Ohio Constitution, along with a summary of the measure to be referred, in accordance with the provisions of Ohio Revised Code (ORC) Section 3519.01(A). This statute requires that a proposed initiated constitutional amendment contain the signatures of at least one thousand qualified electors. Accordingly, your part-petitions were submitted to various county boards of elections for verification.

My office has now received reports from county boards of elections and has learned that only 842 of the 1,006 signatures you submitted were verified. Because your submission did not contain the verified signatures of at least one thousand qualified electors, we must reject it. Because you failed to meet the signature threshold, I have not made any determination concerning the fairness and truthfulness of your proposed summary.

Very respectfully yours,

Mike DeWine  
Ohio Attorney General