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VIA HAND DELIVERY & ELECTRONIC MAIL

Hon. Jon Husted
Ohio Secretary of State
180 East Broad Street
Columbus, Ohio 43215

RE: Constitutional Amendment – Freedom to choose whether to participate in a labor organization as a condition of employment

Dear Jon:

In accordance with the provisions of R.C. 3519.01(A), on January 23, 2012, I received a written petition proposing to add the above referenced amendment to the Ohio Constitution, and a summary of the measure to be referred. Pursuant to R.C. 3519.01(A), as Attorney General, I must examine the summary and determine whether it is a fair and truthful statement of the measure to be referred. My office must also submit signatures that accompany the petitions to the appropriate county boards of election for signature verification.

If I receive verification that the petitioners have submitted at least 1,000 signatures of registered voters, and I conclude that the summary is fair and truthful, I must certify that fact to you within ten days of receiving the petition. In this instance, the tenth day falls on February 2, 2012.

My office has received verification that more than 1,000 signatures of registered Ohio voters accompanied the petition. Further, after reviewing the petition, I have concluded that the summary is a fair and truthful statement of the measure to be referred. I am therefore submitting the following certification to you as Secretary of State:

Without passing upon 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 constitutional amendment.

Very respectfully yours,

Mike DeWine
Ohio Attorney General

cc: Betsy Luper Schuster, General Counsel, Secretary of State *(by email)*