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November 13, 2019

The Honorable Nicole Galloway
State Auditor
State Capitol Building
Jefferson City, MO 65101

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STATE AUDITORS OFFICE

RE: Petition approval request from Winston Apple regarding a proposed statutory amendment to Chapter 192 (2020-141)

Dear Auditor Galloway:

Enclosed please find an initiative petition sample sheet for a proposal to amend the Revised Statutes of Missouri filed by Winston Apple on November 13, 2019.

We are referring the enclosed petition sample sheet to you for the purposes of preparing a fiscal note and fiscal note summary as required by Section 116.332, RSMo. Section 116.175.2, RSMo requires the state auditor to forward the fiscal note and fiscal note summary to the attorney general within twenty days of receipt of the petition sample sheet.

Thank you for your immediate consideration of this request.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "John R. Ashcroft", written in a cursive style.

John R. Ashcroft

cc: Hon. Eric S. Schmitt
Sheri Hoffman
Trish Vincent

County _____
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It is a class A misdemeanor punishable, notwithstanding the provisions of section 560.021, RSMo, to the contrary, for a term of imprisonment not to exceed one year in the county jail or a fine not to exceed ten thousand dollars or both, for anyone to sign any initiative petition with any name other than his or her own, or knowingly to sign his or her name more than once for the same measure for the same election, or to sign a petition when such person knows he or she is not a registered voter.

INITIATIVE PETITION

To the Honorable John R. Ashcroft, Secretary of State for the State of Missouri:

We, the undersigned, registered voters of the state of Missouri and _____ County (or city of St. Louis), respectfully order that the following proposed law shall be submitted to the voters of the state of Missouri, for their approval or rejection, at the general election to be held on the 3rd day of November, 2020, and each for himself or herself says: I have personally signed this petition; I am a registered voter of the State of Missouri and _____ County (or city of St. Louis); my registered voting address and name of the city, town or village in which I live are correctly written after my name.

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John R. Ashcroft
Secretary of State

CIRCULATOR’S AFFIDAVIT, STATE OF MISSOURI, COUNTY OF _____

I, _____, being first duly sworn, say (print or type names of signers)
(Petition Circulator’s Printed Name)

NAME (Signature)	DATE SIGNED	REGISTERED VOTING ADDRESS (Street) (City, Town or Village)	Zip Code	Congr. Dist.	NAME (Printed or Typed)
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signed this page of the foregoing petition, and each of them signed his or her name thereto in my presence; I believe that each has stated his or her name, registered voting address and city, town or village correctly, and that each signer is a registered voter of the state of Missouri and _____ County.

FURTHERMORE, I HEREBY SWEAR OR AFFIRM UNDER PENALTY OF PERJURY THAT ALL STATEMENTS MADE BY ME ARE TRUE AND CORRECT AND THAT I HAVE NEVER BEEN CONVICTED OF, FOUND GUILTY OF, OR PLED GUILTY TO ANY OFFENSE INVOLVING FORGERY.

I am at least 18 years of age, I do ____ do not ____ (check one) expect to be paid for circulating this petition. If paid, list the payer
_____.

Signature of Affiant (Person obtaining signatures)

Street address of Affiant

Printed Name of Affiant

City, State and Zip Code of Affiant

Subscribed and sworn to before me this _____ day of _____, A.D. 20__

Signature of Notary

Notary Public (Seal)

Address of Notary

My commission expires: _____

Be it enacted by the people of the state of Missouri:

One new section of the Revised Missouri Statutes is enacted, to be known as section 192.008, to read as follows:

192.008. 1. "The Missouri Health Insurance Cooperative" (hereinafter referred to as "MHIC") and the "Missouri Health Care Cooperative" (hereinafter referred to as "MHCC") are hereby created within the department of health and senior services to provide health insurance and/or pay for health care for citizens of Missouri who elect to become members of one of these cooperatives.

2. The MHIC and MHCC shall be administered by the director of the department of health and senior services. The department of health and senior services shall, within one (1) calendar year of the effective date of this section, promulgate rules necessary for the administration of this section and these cooperatives.

3. The state of Missouri is authorized to issue bonds to cover the start-up costs for the MHIC and MHCC, as well as to cover any shortages of funds needed to pay authorized benefits and administrative costs until funds received from membership dues are sufficient to cover those expenses. Membership dues for both the MHIC and MHCC and out-of-pocket maximums for members of the MHIC are to be set as soon as practicable, and then adjusted as needed, to fully cover administrative expenses and benefits paid with money collected from dues paid by members.

4. Memberships in the MHIC and MHCC shall be available beginning no later than January 1, 2022.

5. Enrollment in the MHIC or MHCC shall be voluntary and limited to citizens of the state of Missouri.

6. The MHIC and MHCC shall be revenue neutral. Membership dues for the MHIC and MHCC, as well as the annual out-of-pocket maximum for members of the MHIC, will be based on percentages of each member's gross annual income from all sources. Membership dues are to be set as low as possible, and out-of-pocket maximums for the MHIC set no higher than necessary, to minimize the cost of membership and healthcare expenses for members, with revenues from dues sufficient to cover, but not significantly exceed, all operating costs.

7. Only treatments, procedures, and prescriptions for medications deemed medically necessary, as determined by the department of health and senior services, shall be covered through the MHIC and MHCC.

8. The amount of payments made to health care providers for treatments, procedures and services and the amount paid or reimbursed for prescription medications will be determined by the department of health and senior services and shall not be excessive. The amounts paid to health care providers by Medicare and Medicaid shall serve as a general guide for pricing treatments, procedures, services, and prescription medications.

9. Members of the MHIC will be responsible for paying health care providers, including pharmacies providing prescription medications, directly. All payments made in excess of the out-of-pocket maximum will be promptly reimbursed by the MHIC. If a member is unable to pay expenses in excess of the out-of-pocket maximum directly, the MHIC may make necessary payments to providers in lieu of reimbursing the member.

10. All medically necessary health-related expenses, including treatments, procedures, services, and prescription medications for members of the MHCC will be paid for by the MHCC.

11. Members of the MHIC and MHCC, as well as health care providers and pharmacies in the state of Missouri, are responsible for keeping full and accurate records and receipts and invoices for covered health care.

12. All subsections and all clauses of this statute, and the phrases, and the words within them, are severable. If any of the provisions within them are found by a court of competent jurisdiction to be unconstitutional or unconstitutionally enacted or invalid, the remainder of those provisions shall remain valid and the application of such provisions shall not be affected thereby.