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June 28, 2023

Honorable Monae L. Johnson  
Secretary of State  
500 E. Capitol  
Pierre, SD 57501

RE: Draft Attorney General's Statement (An Amendment to the South Dakota Constitution Prohibiting the Legislature from Amending or Repealing Ballot Measures for Seven Years)

Dear Secretary Johnson,

Enclosed is a copy of a proposed amendment to the SD Constitution, in final form, that the sponsor submitted to this Office. In accordance with state law, I hereby file the enclosed *draft* Attorney General's Statement for the purposes of receiving public comment on the same.

By copy of this letter, I am providing a copy of the *draft* Statement to the sponsor.

Very truly yours,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Marty J. Jackley", written over a horizontal line.

Marty J. Jackley  
ATTORNEY GENERAL

MJJ/dd  
Enc.

Filed this 28<sup>th</sup> day of

June 2023

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Cc/encl: Brian L. Bengs  
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CONSTITUTIONAL AMENDMENT

SD Secretary of State

DRAFT ATTORNEY GENERAL'S STATEMENT

**Title:** An Amendment to the South Dakota Constitution Prohibiting the Legislature from Amending or Repealing Ballot Measures for Seven Years.

**Explanation:**

Laws are enacted in South Dakota by the Legislature or through ballot measures approved by the voters of the State. Currently, once a ballot measure becomes a law, the Legislature can amend or repeal the law.

Under this proposal, any ballot measure approved by the voters may not be amended or repealed by the Legislature for seven years from the date the measure is enacted.

Filed this 28<sup>th</sup> day of

June 2023

*Monae L. Johnson*

SECRETARY OF STATE