



DENNY HOSKINS, CPA  
SECRETARY OF STATE  
STATE OF MISSOURI

January 21, 2025

The Honorable Scott Fitzpatrick  
State Auditor  
State Capitol Building  
Jefferson City, MO 65101

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STATE AUDITORS OFFICE

RE: Petition approval request from Damien Johnson regarding a proposed constitutional amendment to Article VIII (2026-022)

Dear Auditor Fitzpatrick:

Enclosed please find an initiative petition sample sheet for a proposal to amend the Missouri Constitution filed by Damien Johnson on January 21, 2025.

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,

*Denny Hoskins*

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cc: Hon. Andrew Bailey  
Sheri Hoffman  
Claudia Sands

James C. Kirkpatrick State Information Center

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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 Denny Hoskins, 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 amendment to the constitution 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, 2026 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 the name of the city, town or village in which I live are correctly written after my name.

CIRCULATOR'S AFFIDAVIT

STATE OF MISSOURI, County Of ..... I, ..... being first duly sworn, say (print or type names of signers)

Name (signature)	Date	REGISTER VOTING ADDRESS (Street) (City, town or Village)	ZIP CODE	CONGR. DIST	NAMEN (print or type)
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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.  
do .... do not .... (check one) expect to be paid for circulating this petition. If paid, list the payer .....  
I am at least 18 years of age. I

.....  
(Printed Name of Affiant)  
.....  
Signature of Affiant (Person obtaining  
.....  
Address of Affiant

Subscribed and sworn to before me this ..... day of .....A.D.....  
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Signature of Notary

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Signature of Notary

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Address of Notary  
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Signature of Notary

Notary Public (Seal) .....  
My commission expires.....  
.....  
Address of Notary

Be it resolved by the people of the state of Missouri that the Constitution be amended:

**This Measure creates a new section known as Section 25 of Article VIII to read as follows:**

VIII Section 25. — Voter approval is required to make changes to the initiative process, including but not requirements on petitioners. Any changes made on or after December 2024 without voter approval is void. Any proposed changes put before voters relating to initiative petition process must only be related to initiative process only, and no other subject matter shall be attached to such proposal. Any Adult 18 years or older may collect any petition approved for circulation. A petitioner may be volunteer or paid. An employer may pay petition per signature, by the hour, or anyway agreed to.