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SD Secretary of State

Dear Emmett Reistroffer:

SDCL 12-13-25 requires the South Dakota Legislative Research Council (LRC) to review each initiated measure submitted to it by a sponsor, for the purpose of assisting the sponsor in writing the measure "in a clear and coherent manner in the style and form of other legislation" that "is not misleading or likely to cause confusion among voters."

The measure, as submitted, proposes to legalize the adult-use of cannabis with certain limitations, including legalizing the sale of cannabis by certain licensed entities. LRC encourages you to consider the edits and suggestions to the proposed text. The edits are suggested for sake of clarity and to bring the proposed measure into conformance with the style and form of South Dakota legislation. LRC comments are based upon the Guide to Legislative Drafting (GLD), which may be found on the South Dakota legislative website—sdlegislature.gov. The suggested edits are included in the attached document.

Although a sponsor is not statutorily required to make changes based upon the suggestions and comments provided by the LRC, you are encouraged to be cognizant of the standards established in SDCL 12-13-24 and 12-13-25 and ensure that your language is in conformity.

Fiscal Impact

It has been determined during this review that this proposed initiated measure may have an impact on revenues, expenditures, or fiscal liability of the state and its agencies and political subdivisions. Please provide the Legislative Research Council a copy of this initiated measure as submitted in final form to the Attorney General so the LRC can develop any fiscal note required by SDCL 2-9-30.

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Compliance

This letter is issued in compliance with statutory requirements placed upon this office. It is not an endorsement of the proposed measure or any of LRC's suggested edits, and it is not a guarantee of the measure's sufficiency. If you proceed with the proposed measure or any of the edits suggested by the LRC, please ensure that neither your statements nor any advertising contain any suggestion of endorsement or approval by the Legislative Research Council.

Sincerely,



Reed Holwegner
Director

Enclosure

CC: The Honorable Monae L. Johnson, Secretary of State
The Honorable Marty Jackley, Attorney General
Justin Johnson