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Dear Becky:

This letter is in response to your request dated August 13, 2012 regarding the estimated fiscal impact of several initiated measures. Following are my determinations:

- In regard to the petition for the right of farms and ranchers to engage in modern farming and ranching practices – the fiscal impact cannot be determined.
- In regard to the petition requiring a felony conviction for an individual who maliciously and intentionally harms a living dog, cat or horse and providing a court with certain sentencing options – the fiscal impact cannot be determined.
- In regard to the petition relative to prohibiting smoking, including the use of electronic smoking devices, in public places and most places of employment in this state, including certain outdoor areas – the fiscal impact cannot be determined.

If you have any questions about these determinations, please feel free to contact me at 328-4606.

Sincerely,



Pam Sharp  
Director