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The Honorable Steve Hobbs Elections Division ATTN: Initiative and Referendum PO Box 40220 Olympia, WA 98504-0220

Re: Referendum Measure No. 101

Dear Secretary Hobbs:

Referendum Measure No. 101 is a referendum for submission to the people. In accordance with RCW 29A.72.060, we supply herewith the ballot title and ballot measure summary for Referendum Measure No. 101 (act relating to supporting youth and young adults seeking protected health care services).

If this measure qualifies to appear on the ballot, it will bear the following ballot title, including the bracketed language which need not appear on the petitions:

## **BALLOT TITLE**

<u>Statement of Subject</u>: The legislature passed ESSB 5599 concerning homeless or runaway youth seeking protected health care services [and voters have filed a sufficient referendum petition on this act].

<u>Concise Description</u>: This bill would exempt certain shelters, organizations, and programs from parental notification requirements for minors seeking gender-affirming care or reproductive health care services, and require offers of services, including family reunification services.

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## **BALLOT MEASURE SUMMARY**

ESSB 5599 exempts homeless youth shelters, host home programs and host homes for youth from parental notification requirements for minors seeking or receiving gender affirming care treatment or reproductive health care services. Such shelters, host home programs, and host homes must instead provide notice to the State. The State must offer services for family reunification, offer youth in shelters referrals for behavioral health services, and gather data and make recommendations for supporting unsheltered homeless youth.

Sincerely,

s/Jeffrey T. Even JEFFREY T. EVEN Deputy Solicitor General (360) 586-0728