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The Honorable Kim Wyman
Elections Division
ATTN: Initiative and Referendum
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Re: Initiative No. 1114

Dear Secretary Wyman:

Pursuant to RCW 29A.72.060, we supply herewith the ballot title and ballot measure summary for Initiative No. 1114 to the Legislature (an act relating to state of emergency proclamations and emergency rule making).

BALLOT TITLE

Statement of Subject: Initiative Measure No. 1114 concerns statutory emergency powers.

Concise Description: This measure would limit the Governor's emergency proclamations and certain emergency regulations to 14 days, unless extended by the Legislature; limit the scope of emergency proclamations; limit judicial review; and reduce criminal penalties.

Should this measure be enacted into law? Yes [] No []

BALLOT MEASURE SUMMARY

This measure would limit emergency regulations based on public health, safety, or welfare and emergency proclamations issued by the Governor to 14 days unless extended by the Legislature. Emergency proclamations would be limited to a single county and would have to identify specific facts. Any person could challenge an emergency proclamation in the affected county; judicial review would be expedited and could not be appealed. Violation of emergency orders would be reduced to a misdemeanor.

Sincerely,

s/ Karl D. Smith
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