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The Honorable Steve Hobbs
Elections Division
ATTN: Initiative and Referendum
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Re: Initiative No. 1922

Dear Secretary Hobbs:

Pursuant to RCW 29A.72.060, we supply herewith the ballot title and ballot measure summary for Initiative No. 1922 to the People (an act relating to substance use disorder prevention, outreach and engagement, and recovery support services).

BALLOT TITLE

Statement of Subject: Initiative Measure No. 1922 concerns drug use treatment and penalties, and related funding.

Concise Description: This measure would fund substance use disorder prevention, outreach, recovery, training, study, and public education; decriminalize drug possession but allow seizure and forfeiture; authorize vacation of certain drug-related convictions; and amend related laws.

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

BALLOT MEASURE SUMMARY

This measure would decriminalize possession of controlled substances, legend drugs, or counterfeit drugs, while authorizing seizure and forfeiture; direct some marijuana taxes and other public funding to treatment and recovery services, law enforcement training, research, advisory committees, and public education; require law enforcement to provide information about outreach and engagement services; prescribe mechanisms for vacating certain drug-related convictions; preempt local laws; assign responsibility for private and public insurance of treatment services; and amend related laws.

Sincerely,

s/ Peter B. Gonick
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