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

Re: Initiative No. 1634 – **REVISED BY COURT ORDER**

Dear Secretary Wyman:

Pursuant to RCW 29A.72.060, we supply herewith the ballot title and ballot measure summary for Initiative No. 1634 to the People (an act relating to the taxation of groceries).

BALLOT TITLE

<u>Statement of Subject</u>: Initiative Measure No. 1634 concerns taxation of certain items intended for human consumption.

<u>Concise Description</u>: This measure would prohibit new or increased local taxes, fees, or assessments on raw or processed foods or beverages (with exceptions), or ingredients thereof, unless effective by January 15, 2018, or generally applicable.

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

BALLOT MEASURE SUMMARY

This measure would prohibit new or increased local taxes, fees, or assessments on raw or processed foods, beverages, or their ingredients, intended for human consumption except alcoholic beverages, marijuana products, and tobacco, unless they are generally applicable and meet specified requirements. Collection of local sales and use taxes, and of taxes, fees, and assessments on such raw or processed foods or beverages, or any ingredients thereof, that were in effect January 15, 2018, may continue.

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