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The Honorable Diedre Henderson  
Lieutenant Governor of the State of Utah  
Utah State Capitol Complex  
Suite 220  
P.O. Box 142325  
Salt Lake City, Utah 84114-2325

Dear Lieutenant Governor Henderson:

I am replying to your request, dated August 21, 2024, for an initial fiscal impact estimate of the application for an initiative titled "The Initiative Initiative" as required under UCA 20A-7-202.5.

The law proposed by this initiative could cost state government \$282,000 one-time for an online signature initiative system. Legal action stemming from the proposed law could cost the state an unknown amount. The proposed law could save local governments on average up to \$12,500 for local petitions and up to \$36,400 for statewide petitions in reduced signature verification costs. Should more petitions result from the proposed law, those could cost local governments up to \$1,800 per local petition and \$5,200 per statewide petition.

If you have any questions regarding this estimate, please do not hesitate to contact me directly.

Sincerely,

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