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Lieutenant Governor Cox,

Submitted below is the Governor’s Office of Management and Budget’s fiscal estimate for the Count My Vote Initiative (the recent changes to the initiative language have had no impact on the original fiscal note):

The Governor’s Office of Management and Budget estimates the law proposed by this initiative would result in a total fiscal expense of up to $3.35 million every two years, including costs for runoff elections (up to $2.9 million), additional primary elections (up to $400,000), and signature verification and miscellaneous costs (approximately $50,000). Candidate and voter behavior may change these estimates.

In addition, the cost of posting information regarding the proposed initiative in Utah’s statewide newspapers and for printing the additional pages in the voter information pamphlet is estimated at $30,000 in one-time funds.

Should you have any questions, please contact Phil Dean, Budget Director and Chief Economist, at (801) 538-1714.

Sincerely,

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