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The Honorable Steve Hobbs
Elections Division
ATTN: Initiative and Referendum
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Re: Initiative No. IL26-638

Dear Secretary Hobbs:

Pursuant to RCW 29A.72.060, we supply herewith the ballot title and ballot measure summary for Initiative No. IL26-638 to the Legislature (an act relating to defending equity in interscholastic sports).

BALLOT TITLE

Statement of Subject: Initiative Measure No. IL26-638 concerns participation in athletics at K-12 schools.

Concise Description: This measure would prohibit students it defines as “biologically male” from competing in certain school athletic activities intended for female students only. It would require verification of biological sex by students’ healthcare providers.

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

BALLOT MEASURE SUMMARY

This measure would require policies prohibiting students it defines as “biologically male” from competing with or against female students in certain interschool athletic activities that are intended for female students only. Students who choose to participate in such activities must provide a statement from the student’s healthcare provider verifying the student’s biological sex, based on reproductive anatomy, genetic makeup, or normal endogenously produced testosterone levels. These requirements would apply to individual or team athletic competitions.

Sincerely,

s/Karl D. Smith
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