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RE: Comments Relating to the Fiscal and Economic Impact of Petition Initiative Entitled “Prohibits Possession of Defined Assault Weapons”

As the (insert position – e.g. owner, manager, etc.) for (insert name of business), I am submitting comments today on the fiscal and economic impact that the proposed initiative, “Prohibits Possession of Defined Assault Weapons,” would have on my business here in Florida.

(Give brief background of business) We have been in business here in (insert city), Florida since (insert year). Our lawful business has provided an avenue for Floridians to legally purchase firearms for recreational use and personal protection purposes. We are proud of our business and contributions to our community and the state of Florida.

We appreciate the opportunity to comment on the proposal, “Prohibits Possession of Defined Assault Weapons,” and how it will impact our business here in Florida. The proposal itself has the potential to ban all semi-automatic rifles, modern sporting rifles, and semi-automatic shotguns. Such a ban on some of today’s most popular firearms will certainly have grave impacts on our (small) business. The proposed initiative would mean both jobs and revenues lost. It is our estimation that we would be forced to cut our workforce by (insert number of employees) employees. Additionally, this proposed initiative would also mean our business could lose up to ($ XXX,XXX) in revenues. This loss in sales would translate into a decrease in taxes generated both at the local, state, and federal level.

There is also the serious possibility that our business could not survive if this initiative were to pass. The result would either require us to close our business for good or re-locate to another state that allows us to sell these products lawfully.

The voters of Florida must be given ALL information on how such an initiative will impact lawful businesses, jobs, revenues, and taxes. We ask that the Fiscal Impact Estimating Conference consider this carefully as it prepares to present the economic impact to Florida voters.

Sincerely,

(insert signature)

(insert name)