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The bill requires the use of a uniform standard for initiative and referendum petition signature pages. These pages must conform to the requirements of Sections 116.030 and 116.040, RSMo, and will be made available for printing and downloading in an electronic format that is created by the Secretary of State.

It also requires a \$350 refundable fee for filing an initiative petition with the office of the Missouri Secretary of State under Section 116.050. The fee is refunded if the petition is authorized to appear on the ballot within the two year period after a summary statement is prepared for the petition under Section 116.334. There is an additional \$25 per page filing fee for initiative petitions that are in excess of 10 pages long. Fees that are not refunded revert to General Revenue.