

November 22, 2005

The Honorable Barbara J. Pariente
Chief Justice, and Justices of
The Supreme Court of Florida
The Supreme Court Building
Tallahassee, Florida 32399-1925

RE: Protect People, Especially Youth, from Addiction, Disease, and Other Health
Hazards of Using Tobacco

Dear Chief Justice Pariente and Justices:

On October 20, 2005, in accordance with the provisions of Article IV, section 10, Florida Constitution, and section 16.061, Florida Statutes, I petitioned this Honorable Court for an advisory opinion on the initiative petition seeking to amend the Florida Constitution to protect people, especially youth, from addiction, disease, and other health hazards of using tobacco.

On November 22, 2005, the Financial Impact Estimating Conference, in accordance with the provisions of section 100.371(6)(a), Florida Statutes, forwarded to this office a financial impact statement on the initiative petition.

Therefore, I respectfully request this Honorable Court's opinion as to whether the financial impact statement prepared by the Financial Impact Estimating Conference on the constitutional amendment, proposed by initiative petition, entitled "PROTECT PEOPLE, ESPECIALLY YOUTH, FROM ADDICTION, DISEASE, AND OTHER HEALTH HAZARDS OF USING TOBACCO" (a copy of which is attached) is in accordance with section 100.371, Florida Statutes.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Charlie Crist", is written over a vertical line.

Charlie Crist
Attorney General

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cc: Ms. Glenda Hood
Secretary of State

The Honorable Jeb Bush
Governor, State of Florida

The Honorable Tom Lee
President, Florida Senate

The Honorable Allan G. Bense
Speaker, Florida House of Representatives

Director's Office
Division of Elections

John Chaperon, Chairman
Floridians for Youth Tobacco Education, Inc.

CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I hereby certify that a true and correct copy of the foregoing has been furnished by U.S. Mail delivery this 20th day of October, 2005, to the following:

John Chaperon, Chairman
Floridians for Youth Tobacco Education, Inc.
2525 N.E. 35th Court
Fort Lauderdale, Florida 33308

I hereby certify that a true and correct copy of the foregoing has been furnished via interoffice mail delivery this 20th day of October, 2005, to the following:

Ms. Glenda Hood, Secretary of State
attn: General Counsel

The Honorable Jeb Bush, Governor, State of Florida
attn: General Counsel

The Honorable Tom Lee, President, Florida Senate
attn: General Counsel

The Honorable Allan G. Bense, Speaker, Florida House of Representatives
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