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June 18, 2024

TO: Brendan Beatty, Director, Department of Revenue
FROM: Josh Kassmier, Presiding Officer, Economic Affairs Interim Committee
RE: Objection Letter to MAR 42-1076

Dear Director Beatty,

At its June 17, 2024, hearing, the Economic Affairs Interim Committee (EAIC) objected to MAR notice 42-1076. This rule notice generally relates to the Department of Revenue, Alcohol Control Division's (Department) implementation of 2023 legislation.

The EAIC made its objection under section 2-4-305(9) MCA, which provides in relevant part:

(9) Subject to 2-4-112, if a majority of the members of the appropriate administrative rule review committee notify the committee presiding officer that those members object to all or a portion of a notice of proposed rulemaking, the committee shall notify the agency in writing that the committee objects to all or a portion of the proposal notice and will address the objections at the next committee meeting. Following notice by the committee to the agency, all or a portion of the proposal notice that the committee objects to may not be adopted until publication of the last issue of the register that is published before expiration of the 6-month period during which the adoption notice must be published, unless prior to that time, the committee meets and does not make the same objection. A copy of the committee's notification to the agency must be included in the committee's records.

At its next meeting, the EAIC would like to hear from stakeholders and the Department relating to the rule notice.

Thank you,

/s/

Representative Josh Kassmier, Presiding Officer