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Objection filed on Protect Nebraskans' Initiative and Referendum Powers Constitutional Amendment petition

As county election officials wrap up the validation process for Nebraska's last two remaining initiative petitions ahead of the November election, Secretary of State Bob Evnen announced that an objection has been filed with his office concerning the Protect Nebraskans' Initiative and Referendum Powers Constitutional Amendment.

The objection, filed jointly by former Senator Curt Friesen and current Senator Machaela Cavanaugh, alleges that the petition violates Nebraska's constitution requiring ballot measures to be limited to a single subject. By law, it is up to the Nebraska Secretary of State to make an initial determination as to whether or not the objection has merit and the initiative should be certified.

"Even though the process of validating the signatures has not yet concluded on this petition, the deadline for certifying the ballot for the 2026 general election is rapidly approaching," said Secretary Evnen. "I will likely be announcing my decision on whether the petition meets the single subject requirements before the validation is entirely complete in order to ensure that deadline can be met."

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