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City of Kansas City v. Kansas City Board of Election Commissioners

Supreme Court of Missouri, en banc - January 17, 2017 - S.W.3d - 2017 WL 164461

City brought action seeking to have proposed ordinance establishing minimum wage for city removed from ballot.

The Circuit Court entered judgment for city. Committee supporting ordinance appealed.

The Supreme Court of Missouri held that city's challenge to ordinance was premature.

City's challenge to proposed ordinance on ballot establishing minimum wage for city was premature. City's argument that ordinance would be invalid because it conflicted with statute prohibiting local governments from enacting local minimum wage requirements greater than those imposed by state and federal laws in its judgment and argument by committee supporting ordinance that statute was constitutionally invalid remained hypothetical unless and until voters adopted ordinance, after which court could entertain such arguments, and city did not contend that committee failed to meet all of procedural requirements imposed by city charter for putting proposed ordinance before city voters.