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Via regular U.S. Mail and E-mail

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Re: ***Submitted Petition for Initiated Constitutional Amendment to Add Article XX of the Ohio Constitution– “Ohio Citizens Redistricting Commission” – THIRD SUBMISSION***

Dear Mr. McTigue,

On September 22, 2023 in accordance with Ohio Revised Code (“ORC”) Section 3519.01(A), I received a written petition containing (1) a copy of a proposed constitutional amendment and (2) a summary of the same measure. One of my statutory duties as Attorney General is to send all of the part-petitions to the appropriate county boards of elections for signature verification. With all of the county boards of elections reporting back, at least 1,000 signatures have been verified.

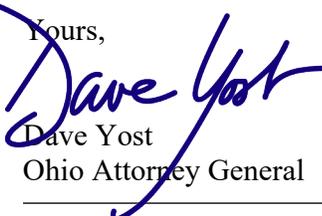
It is also my statutory duty to determine whether the submitted summary is a “fair and truthful statement of the proposed law or constitutional amendment.” ORC Section 3519.01(A). If I conclude that the summary is fair and truthful, I am to certify it as such within ten days of receipt of the petition. In this instance, the tenth day falls on October 2, 2023.

Having carefully examined this third submission, I conclude that the summary is a fair and truthful statement of the proposed initiated constitutional amendment. I therefore submitted the following certification to the Ohio Secretary of State:

Without passing on the advisability of the approval or rejection of the measure to be referred, but pursuant to the duties imposed upon the Attorney General’s Office under Section 3519.01(A) of the Ohio Revised Code, I hereby certify that the summary is a fair and truthful statement of the proposed constitutional amendment.

My certification of the summary under Section 3519.01(A) should not be construed as an affirmation of the enforceability and constitutionality of the proposed amendment. My role, as executed here, is limited to determining whether the wording of the summary properly advises potential petition signers of a measure’s material components.

Yours,


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