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Via regular U.S. Mail

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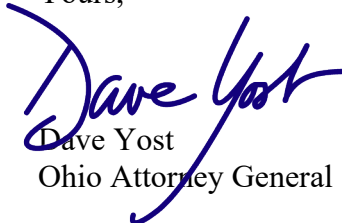
Re: Petition for Constitutional Amendment - Homestead and Personal Property.

Dear Mr. Bruce,

On July 23, 2024, pursuant to the provisions of Ohio Revised Code Section 3519.01(A), I received a written petition for constitutional amendment entitled "Homestead and Personal Property," along with a summary of the proposed amendment. R.C. 3519.01(A) requires that a proposed constitutional amendment contain the signatures of at least one thousand qualified electors. R.C. 3519.10 states, "Each part-petition which is filed shall contain signatures of electors of only one county." The part-petitions that you submitted all contained signatures of electors from multiple counties. R.C. 3519.10 also states, "In case petitions containing signatures of electors of more than one county are filed, the secretary of state shall determine the county from which the majority of signatures come, and only signatures from such county shall be counted." Accordingly, your part-petitions were submitted to the county boards of elections from which the majority of signatures were obtained.

The Attorney General's Office has received reports from those boards. The submission, in total, contained only 508 valid signatures. Because your submission did not contain the verified signatures of at least one thousand qualified electors, we must reject it. The Attorney General's Office has not made any determination concerning the summary language of the submission. This rejection is based upon the failure to obtain at least one thousand valid signatures.

Yours,


Dave Yost
Ohio Attorney General