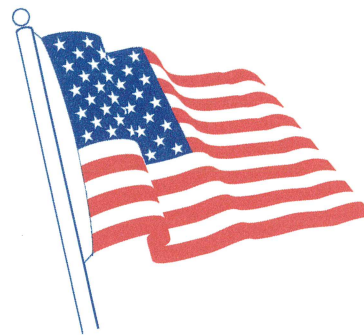


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As the Director and Deputy Director of the Board of Elections from a smaller Ohio county, we urge the bi-partisan support and passage of Senate Bill 21. This legislation is a common-sense solution to several issues facing all Ohio Boards of Elections.

For each election the staff of the Clinton County Board of Elections spends numerous hours securing and training enough precinct election official to meet the minimum mandated staffing levels for all precincts. With the advent of electronic poll books and other updated efficiencies these mandated staffing levels are excessive and artificially high in most election situations. The efficiency gained by the passage of SB21 would reduce these minimum mandated levels and save hundreds of staff hours just in Clinton County.

While not paid much, each Clinton County precinct election official receives a small stipend for their work on Election Day. The reduction of the precinct staffing to a more appropriate level, as proposed by SB21, would reduce our annual cost of salary and training of poll workers by \$7,500 to \$8,000.00. Bear in mind; this is just Clinton County's savings and just one year's savings. The savings state-wide over years would be substantial.

The integrity and security of the entire voting process is foremost in the minds of all elections professionals. Many procedures and protocols have been put in place with this in mind. Senate Bill 21 in no way impairs these procedures or protocols.

We therefore urge passage of SB21 and wish to thank the Ohio Legislature for their continual support in improving the efficiency, accessibility, and integrity of Ohio's elections.

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Shane C. Breckel, Director
Clinton County Board of Elections

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Jay Peterson". The signature is written in a cursive style with a large, sweeping initial 'J'.

Jay Peterson, Deputy Director
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