

## Proponent Testimony in Support of Hjr3 Michael Mier

HD89 Representative D.J.Swearingen  
SD2 Senator Theresa Gavarone

When I became aware that my Representative in the Ohio House, D.J. Swearingen, would have the chance to hear testimony in Committee on Hjr3, I decided let him know my thoughts on the matter by way of a personal testimony.

Term Limits: Polling numbers from Pew Research Center show the current median age for Senators is over 65, for House Reps the median is nearly 58. In the current Presidential race, the candidates will be 81 and 78 (89 and 86 if they were to serve the allowable two terms).

<https://www.newsnationnow.com/politics/americans-want-congressional-term-limits/amp/>

### Balance Budget:

Congress was granted the power of the purse by the U.S. Constitution, but it has never been held accountable for the \$33 trillion debt that has been accrued as a result of not having a balanced budget. This unsustainable path has led to crippling inflation and is a financial burden that future generations will struggle to overcome.

Every State in this nation has to balance their budgets and make choices. It's time for the Federal government to follow suit, with exceptions to war time.

### States' Rights:

Smaller Federal Government, States should control their Education system, more choices made closer to home. One model does not fit all. 50 different schools systems will provide information to collaborate and compare best practices, making all districts stronger.

Health issues such as COVID 19 should be directed by State Government. Federal Government direct the borders. I am a supporter of HJR 3 and would appreciate your support to pass this legislation.

Thank you for your service to the great state of Ohio!  
Respectfully,

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