

April 27, 2023

Dear Chairmember Rulli, Vice Chair Schuring, Ranking Member DeMora, and members of the General Government Committee,

My name is Emily Haynes, and I live in Mason, Ohio. I am a concerned resident of your state. I oppose SJR 2 and urge you to vote no on this bill.

This bill jeopardizes our democracy. The majority of the people of Ohio have a right to change the constitution to reflect their values and wishes. A simple majority is enough to elect an Ohio state senator or representative. It should be enough to update the Ohio constitution to reflect the beliefs of a simple majority of our state's population. Ohioans deserve to have a say by directly voting on constitutional amendments.

This bill is dangerous and unnecessary. I urge you to vote no on this bill, SJR 2.

I thank each and every member of this committee for the opportunity to submit my testimony.

Best,
Emily Haynes