



JENNIFER BRUNNER
OHIO SECRETARY OF STATE

180 East Broad Street, 15th floor
Columbus, Ohio 43215-3726 USA
Tel.: 1-614-466-2655
Fax: 1-614-644-0649
www.sos.state.oh.us

DIRECTIVE 2007-16
September 17, 2007

To: County Boards of Elections

Re: Proposed State Issue

On September 7, 2007, Directive 2007-12 was issued providing county boards of elections with the official form of the ballot for the November 6, 2007 general election. Included with the Directive was the prescribed ballot language for a potential statewide issue regarding a referendum on Am. Sub. S.B. No. 16.

In accordance with Directive 2007-14, boards of elections are in the process of determining the validity of signatures submitted on the part petitions and reporting the results to the Secretary of State's office. The issue *has not* yet been certified to the ballot. However, due to the time constraints to have absent voter ballots available by the statutory deadline of October 2, county boards of elections are instructed to print Issue 1 – referendum on Sub. S.B No. 16 – on your ballots. The prescribed ballot language is available online on the BOE Extranet at: <http://server6.sos.state.oh.us/boe/electionsinfo/statewideIssues/audioText.htm>.

If the statewide referendum petition is determined not to contain sufficient signatures to be placed on the November ballot, we will issue instructions to all boards regarding posting notices at the polling places and enclosing notices with absent voter's ballots of the removal of the issue from the ballot.

If you have any questions concerning this directive, please contact your county's assigned election attorney.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read "Jennifer Brunner".

Jennifer Brunner