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# **VOTE NO ON ISSUE 1**

The political left is pushing a radical redistricting plan for the November ballot. This convoluted, complicated redistricting plan, if passed by Ohio voters in November, will take the redraw of the district lines away from the people and their representatives and put it in the hands of the political left with retired judges and academic elites. They claim this will stop gerrymandering, but in reality, **Issue One will be gerrymandering on steroids, and not representative of the people of the state of Ohio.** 

## **ISSUE ONE IS A BAIT-AND-SWITCH SCAM**

- Under the claim of ending gerrymandering, the Amendment will force political and racial gerrymandering of legislative districts
- By definition, the Citizens Commission will be required under the amendment to politically and racially gerrymander districts to meet proportionality

### ISSUE ONE ELIMINATES THE ANTI-GERRYMANDERING RESTRICTIONS MANDATED BY VOTERS IN 2015 & 2018

- Requirement to preserve county, municipal, and township boundaries would be superseded by proportional representation
- Removes the requirement for compact districts, meaning there will be districts that stretch over long distances through multiple counties and other subdivisions
- Removes the important role the Ohio Supreme Court serves by shutting the court room doors for many people who might want to challenge a map

## ISSUE ONE REMOVES ACCOUNTABILITY FROM OHIO'S REDISTRICTING PROCESS

- Commission members are selected by unelected, retired judges and a private hiring firm
- The Commission would have a constitutionally guaranteed blank check for any legal expenses without legislative oversight or accountability
- Ohioans will have severely restricted legal rights to challenge the Commission's decisions

## **ISSUE ONE IS A BAD DEAL FOR OHIO VOTERS**

- Forces map makers to gerrymander based on politics and race
- Eliminates voter approved safeguards overwhelmingly passed in 2015 and 2018
- Removes accountability to the voters of Ohio

#### To learn more and read for yourself this lengthy, convoluted proposal, there is a link on our website at www. Ohioca.org.