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U.S. Term Limits Launches Mailer Campaign to Defend Ohio's Term Limits

Washington, DC—Anticipating a continued attack on Ohio's voter-approved term limits law, U.S. Term Limits (USTL) today initiated a series of informative mailers to constituents of potential term limits foes in the General Assembly.

The mailers, which went to constituents of State Reps. Bob Cupp (District 4) and Nathan Manning (District 55), point out that the two refused to sign the USTL pledge to protect Ohio's eight-year term limits. A majority of General Assembly members have, like Cupp and Manning, refused to fill out the survey they were sent. Both men serve on Ohio's Constitutional Modernization Commission, a panel of legislators, lawyers and lobbyists that meets regularly to discuss how to weaken term limits.

“This is a radical undermining of the term limits that 78 percent of Ohio voters want to keep in place,” said USTL President Philip Blumel. “Citizens have consistently rejected any attempt to lengthen term limits beyond eight years. Legislators and lobbyists are now the only groups in Ohio calling for a change.”

Blumel is referring to an 8-1 vote by the Commission's Legislative Branch subcommittee to recommend term limits be weakened to 12 years. This came after the group Ohioans for Good Government found in its Statewide Issues Poll that 78 percent of voters oppose the change.

Blumel added that a conflict of interest arises when lawmakers debate their own term limits, since they stand to gain personally from a weakening or repeal.

“Legislators cannot view term limits objectively since they stand to lose a job and earnings faster if the law stays in place,” he warned. “That's why it's necessary they recuse themselves and let only citizens decide whether to ever put a term limits measure on the ballot.”

U.S. Term Limits, based in Washington, D.C., is the nation's oldest and largest pro-term limits organization. It has advocated for term limits at all levels of government since 1992.



Mailer # "Diaper" Rep. Manning: Click [HERE](#) to view.

Mailer #1 "Diaper" Rep. Cupp: Click [HERE](#) to view.

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