



J. Kenneth Blackwell
J. KENNETH BLACKWELL
Ohio Secretary of State

180 E. BROAD STREET / 16TH FLOOR / COLUMBUS, OH 43215
614.466.2655 / TOLL FREE: 877.767.6446 / FAX: 614.644.0649
e-mail: blackwell@sos.state.oh.us www.state.oh.us/sos/

Directive 2006-42

April 7, 2006

To: Franklin County Board of Elections and Madison County Board of Elections only

Pursuant to R.C. 3519.01(B)(1), a petition was filed in this office by persons seeking to file a referendum petition against sections of law enacted by Am. Sub. H.B. 7 of the 126th General Assembly. The petition contains seven part petitions. Enclosed are part-petitions which must be examined to determine the validity of the signatures. **Please read the following instructions carefully before you start your examination of the signatures.**

Checking the petitions: Each person who signs a petition paper must be a qualified elector of the county in which the petition paper was circulated as of the date the petition is examined by the board (R.C. 3519.15). If the part-petition contains signatures from another county, the part-petition is not invalid but only signatures from your county shall be counted and the signatures from outside your county are invalid. (R.C. 3519.10).

Returning the petitions: As soon as your certification of these part-petitions is complete, return the completed form and all valid and invalid part-petitions to this office. You must deliver these part-petitions back to this office either in person or by a method that provides tracking. You must review these part-petitions, complete the certification form and **have them back to this office by no later than 1:00 p.m. on Thursday, April 13, 2006.**

If you have any questions concerning the handling of part-petitions or procedures to be followed, please contact the Elections Division at (614) 466-2585.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Monty Lobb".

Monty Lobb
Assistant Secretary of State

Enclosures