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CHARTER AMENDMENTS - OHIO

State ex rel. Twitchell v. Saferin

Supreme Court of Ohio - September 21, 2018 - N.E.3d - 2018 WL 4537175 - 2018 -Ohio-3829

Relators sought writ of mandamus compelling county elections board to place a proposed city charter amendment on an upcoming general-election ballot.

Supreme Court of Ohio holds that county elections board did not abuse its discretion in keeping a proposed city charter amendment off an upcoming general-election ballot on ground that the amendment, which concerned citizens' rights to a healthy Lake Erie ecosystem, was beyond the authority of the city to enact; elections board was authorized to determine whether a ballot measure fell within the scope of the constitutional power of referendum or initiative.