Ohio Gun Owners

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Question 1

The Ohio Secretary of State is responsible for administering elections that determine who writes, enforces and defends gun laws. If elections are insecure, the votes of law-abiding pro-gun citizens can be diluted or canceled by unlawful or fraudulent ballots, directly threatening the Second Amendment. To have a functioning Constitutional Republic, voters must be able to trust that election results are accurate and backed by audited, verifiable data.

Do you agree that strong election security measures are a necessary part of protecting the Second Amendment rights of Ohio gun owners?

Question 1 Answer

Yes

Question 2

Only American, Ohioan, eligible citizens should be voting in Ohio elections. Failure to verify identity or citizenship risks canceling out the lawful votes of gun owners.

If elected Secretary of State, would you REQUIRE government-issued photo ID to vote and proof of U.S. citizenship to register, with no loopholes that weaken enforcement?

Question 2 Answer

Yes

Question 3

Unsecured or lightly supervised ballot drop boxes create chain-of-custody risks and open the door to ballot harvesting and unlawful ballot deposits. When ballots are not tightly controlled, lawful pro-gun votes can be offset by questionable ballots.

If elected Secretary of State, would you SUPPORT eliminating unsecured ballot drop boxes and require that ballots be returned only through in-person voting locations or fully secured and continuously supervised election offices?

Question 3 Answer

Yes

Question 4

Extended and loosely controlled voting periods increase the opportunity for unlawful voting and ballot abuse, which can dilute the lawful votes of gun owners.

If elected Secretary of State, would you SUPPORT single-day, in-person voting as the standard, with absentee voting limited to narrow lawful circumstances and strong identity verification?

Question 4 Answer

Yes

Question 5

Transparent, auditable paper ballots are the most reliable way to ensure that lawful votes are accurately counted and independently verified.

If elected Secretary of State, would you SUPPORT transitioning Ohio to paper ballots only, where every vote is cast on durable paper with hand-count capability and mandatory audits?

Question 5 Answer

Yes

Question 6

Voting systems that are network-connected or electronically tabulated introduce avoidable security risks. Any vulnerability in vote counting threatens the political voice of gun owners.

If elected Secretary of State, would you OPPOSE and PROHIBIT electronic voting machines and tabulators and work to eliminate any equipment that can be remotely accessed or connected to outside networks?

Question 6 Answer

Yes

Question 7

Ohio voters must be able to trust that voting equipment is secure, transparent and fully auditable, not dependent on unverifiable proprietary systems.

If elected Secretary of State, would you SUPPORT independent security reviews of all voting system vendors and replace equipment that cannot be fully audited and verified?

Question 7 Answer

Yes

Question 8

Routine hand-count audits help detect errors and fraud and increase confidence that lawful pro-gun votes are counted correctly.

If elected Secretary of State, would you REQUIRE routine hand-count audits of selected precincts in statewide elections?

Question 8 Answer

Yes

Question 9

Strict chain-of-custody procedures are necessary to ensure ballots are not altered, lost or injected into the system unlawfully.

If elected Secretary of State, would you REQUIRE documented chain-of-custody for every ballot from the moment it is cast until it is counted?

Question 9 Answer

Yes

Question 10

Failure to remove ineligible registrants risks canceling out the votes of lawful pro-gun citizens.

If elected Secretary of State, would you aggressively ENFORCE routine voter roll cleanup to remove non-citizens, deceased voters, duplicate registrations and other ineligible names?

Question 10 Answer

Yes

Question 11

Gun owners depend on fair elections to defend their rights through law and policy. Weakening election safeguards weakens their political voice.

If elected Secretary of State, would you OPPOSE any directive, legislation, settlement or rule change that weakens ballot security, verification standards or audit controls?

Question 11 Answer

Yes

Question 12

Delayed results undermine public confidence and increase the opportunity for manipulation.

If elected Secretary of State, would you SUPPORT making Election Day a state holiday and commit to announcing election winners by midnight whenever legally possible?

Question 12 Answer

Yes

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E-Signature

✔ I have truthfully answered the questions above and they accurately reflect my positions on the Second Amendment

Date

02/16/2026

Signature

