



## Hamilton County Democratic Party

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So the battle is on. As Yogi Berra said, "**it ain't over till it's over**" and the battle on Senate Bill 5 is far from over. Last Thursday night Governor Kasich rushed to sign the bill a day earlier than had been previously announced. Clearly someone realized that April 1 was a bad day to do that, some folks might not see the humor.



So beginning with a kick-off rally in Columbus on April 9th (details below), the Democratic Party (and many others) will be leading the effort to **let the voters of Ohio decide.**

Are they on the side of the cops, the middle class, the teachers, the firefighters, the garbage collectors, the food inspectors, the snow plow drivers, the prison guards (we could go on and on) or, are they on the side of the Wall Street fat cats who are once again enjoying record profits and bonuses with the help of taxpayer bailouts (to go along with generous tax cuts)? Whose side are you on, really?

This is no small undertaking. Over 230,000 signatures must be collected statewide **from voters who voted in 2010**, 12,000 in Hamilton County alone, and all this by June 30. But all that does is put the issue on the ballot. Then we have to get the voters out to the polls to vote next November.

Nothing can happen until the Secretary of State approves the petition language and needless to say that approval will be stalled as long as possible. So can you help?

If you can help, sign up [here](#). Or petitions will be available at the HCDP office in Pleasant Ridge (6109 Webbland Pl. 45213) within 10 days. Or if you can, go [here](#) and make a small contribution towards carrying on the referendum fight. Every little bit helps.

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## **"WE ARE OHIO" Referendum Launch Rally**

A special "WE ARE OHIO" referendum launch rally is planned for SATURDAY April 9, 2011, from noon - 3:00 pm at the Statehouse in Columbus. This rally is to kickoff the referendum campaign to stop SB5 by citizen veto. It was specifically planned for a Saturday to accommodate educators and other members who have not been able to take off work during the week to participate in other actions.

The rally at the Ohio Statehouse will feature guest speakers, live music and entertainment, and information on how to participate in the petition campaign. Gov. Kasich signed SB5 into law last Thursday night and distributed a fundraising email earlier in the day to ask his donors to fund his attack on us, all workers in Ohio. Its time to fight back