

**OHIO CITIZENS PAC – HOUSE SPEAKER VOTE SURVEY
PAUL ZELTWANGER (DISTRICT 54) RESPONSE**

In my opinion, simply answering survey questions with a checkmark or a yes or no can be ambiguous. Accordingly, and in the spirit of full disclosure and transparency, I'm sending this response in place of a completed survey.

I'm committed to fighting for and never forgetting the issues that I campaigned on. I believe as elected officials we have a responsibility to:

1. Serve based on our stated principles;
2. Follow a well-defined process and;
3. Maintain transparency throughout.

I do not believe a "lack of transparency" should be used to gain a political advantage. I've already been open and transparent about who I voted for in the Speaker race. On November 13th, I posted this information on my State Representative Facebook page.



My vote was based on my own research, due diligence, experience and qualifications comparison. I was not offered any benefits or positions by either side and am not aware of anyone who was. I do not believe that is an appropriate or ethical practice.

I'm against Medicaid Expansion, Common Core and Increased Taxes on Oil & Gas. I support Photo Voter ID, the Heartbeat Bill and Paycheck Protection as well as many other pro-jobs and/or government waste and cost cutting initiatives. I like to form my opinion on issues based on data, facts, financial quantification and realistic projections of the impact of any legislation. Moving forward, I'm committed to be open-minded. However, I would need a solid business case, transparent information and a complete understanding of current and future money flow to modify my position.

I'm hopeful that some of the above noted issues will be addressed in the current lame-duck session. If not, I will do whatever I can to advance these causes in the 131st General Assembly.

I clearly understand that the legislature is a separate and co-equal branch of government. I fully expect any leader (and any member) of our team to lead, serve and act according to how the Ohio Constitution has defined each branch of government --- separate and co-equal!

I intend to be a relevant part of the team that works together to move Ohio forward. That said, I recognize I am 1 of 99 Representatives in the Ohio House. As with any team, not everyone gets everything they want. As a public servant of the people, I view my job as State Representative is to represent my District to the best of my abilities and to try to figure out how to build consensus amongst different ideas, constituent bases and opinions.

In conclusion, and especially in light of what we are experiencing from our National leadership, I want to share what Sam Adams wrote to James Warren in one his letters to him:

"If ever the time should come when vain & aspiring men shall possess the highest seats in government, our country will stand in need of experienced patriots to prevent its ruin."

I am simply striving to be an experienced patriot!

Sincerely,

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Ohio Representative Survey on House Speaker Vote

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Years in Ohio House: 0 Term Expires: 2017

According to the Ohio Revised Code, on the afternoon of January 5, 2015 you will cast a very important vote for the Ohio citizens who elected you to represent them in Columbus, when you choose the next Speaker of the Ohio House. This is the third most powerful political position in the Ohio and as citizens we want to know not only who you intend to vote for but why. Please fill out this survey and return it to the citizens in your District who gave it to you or follow the instructions below. We will post your answers on www.OhioCitizensPAC.org

Survey Questions:

1) Who did you vote for in the November "Straw Poll" for House Speaker? Representative Jim Butler

2) What was your main reason for that choice? My vote was based on my own research, due diligence, experience and qualifications comparison.

3) It is our understanding that some House members are offered positions or other benefits for their votes and that this has been a common practice for many years. Do you agree with this Practice? Yes No

Please indicate your positions on the following issues consistent with your recent campaign promises and indicate if you expect these issues to be addressed in the next session of the Ohio House:

Issue	Support	Against	Will be Addressed	Will Not be Addressed
Medicaid Expansion		X		
Common Core		X		
Photo Voter ID	X			
Increased Taxes on Oil and Gas		X		
Heartbeat Bill	X			
Paycheck Protection	X			

4) Will you promise the voters in your District that your actual vote for House Speaker in January will be consistent with the positions above that you campaigned on? Yes No

5) According to the Ohio Constitution, the Ohio Legislature is an Independent, co-equal branch of government. Can you assure voters in your District that your vote for Speaker in January will be consistent with the Ohio Constitution? Yes No

6) Based on your answers in this survey are you open to changing your vote for House Speaker in January? Yes No

7) Do you think the citizens of Ohio deserve a chance, before January's vote, to see a debate between the candidates, so that they can understand the vision for Ohio of the next House Speaker? Yes No

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