

Ohio's self-anointed ruling class failed to slip daylight past the rooster with Issue 1.

Ohio's gerrymandered legislative districts ensure there is no balance of power in the Ohio Statehouse. Controlling State officials trample underfoot the Ohio Constitution. Many such officials totally disregard the opinions/views of citizens in legislative committee hearings and community town hall meetings. Some of these officials seem drunk with power.

Issue 1 was put on the ballot by the powerful in an attempt to slip daylight past the rooster—to hold an election while folks are focused on other activities and priorities.

However, the folks in Ohio have become alert to the deceit and high-handed tactics of the ruling class, such as universal vouchers and the transfer of State Board of Education functions to the Governor's office.

Ohioans are awake to the chicanery of the ruling class and turned down Issue 1 by a substantial margin in spite of the deceptive campaign of the proponents. Article I, section 2 of the Ohio Constitution—all political power is inherent in the people—prevails.

The folks are now awake to the wiles of the ruling class and will be closely monitoring state policy issues.

The Issue 1 citizens' rebuke to the ruling class will either humble them (maybe just a little) or cause them to be less public about their treachery. Citizens need to stay alert. John Philpot Curran is said to have originated the statement—the price of freedom is eternal vigilance. This is a message to Ohio's political powerful: "Ohioans have you on their radar screens."