Judge rules that state level governance of education can return to the Governor's office, notwithstanding that Ohioans, in 1953, transferred education governance from the Governor's office to the State Board of Education via a constitutional amendment.

Article VI, section 4 was added to the Constitution in 1953 by the citizens of Ohio. At that time, the governance of education was embedded in the governor's office. Ohioans passed a constitutional amendment to have education governed with the same model as used at the local level—citizens elected on a non-partisan basis to govern school districts. Local districts were not and are not now governed by other governmental jurisdictions—mayors, city councils, county commissions, township trustees.

In Ohio's current political climate, the will of the people is summarily disregarded, even though the Ohio Constitution states that "all political power is inherent in the people." (Article I, section 2) Notwithstanding this powerful constitutional safeguard for the folks, a Senate leader in Ohio rece3ntly said publicly, "We kinda do what we want..."

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