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**Media Alert**

**MOVE ACT CHANGES DEADLINES FOR  
QUESTIONS & ISSUES TO BE PLACED ON THE NOVEMBER BALLOT**

**JULY 6, 2010** – The Clinton County Board of Elections wants to make sure those interested in placing questions and issues on the ballot, including local options, are aware of deadline changes necessitated by the implementation of the federal Military and Overseas Voter Empowerment (MOVE) Act for the November 2, 2010 general election. The deadline for questions and issues has been changed from 4:00 PM on August 19 to 4:00 PM on Thursday, August 4.

The MOVE Act provisions were incorporated into Ohio law through Amended Substitute House Bill No. 48 which was signed by Governor Ted Strickland on April 2, 2010. Am. Sub. H.B. 48's implementation of the MOVE Act, among other things, changes Ohio law to require absent voter's ballots to be available earlier for uniformed services and overseas absent voters (USOAV). USOAV will now have absent voter's ballots made available to them starting 45 days before the election. While most election deadlines had to be moved up to accommodate this change and allow time for ballot preparation, the deadline to make ballots available to in-country civilian voters will remain at 35 days before the election.

For more information on the MOVE Act, please visit [www.OverseasVoteFoundation.org](http://www.OverseasVoteFoundation.org) or the Ohio Secretary of State's website at [www.sos.state.oh.us](http://www.sos.state.oh.us). For more information on other election deadline changes, please visit the Secretary of State's website or the Clinton County Board of Elections website at [www.electionsonthe.net/oh/clinton](http://www.electionsonthe.net/oh/clinton).

The Clinton County Board of Elections is located on the first floor of the Clinton County Court House and is open 8:30 AM to 4:00 PM Monday through Friday. The office can be contacted by phone at 382-3537 or email at [vote@cinci.rr.com](mailto:vote@cinci.rr.com). Additional information can be obtained from the BOE website at [www.electionsonthe.net/oh/clinton](http://www.electionsonthe.net/oh/clinton).

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