DISCUSSION POINTS FOR PRESENTATION TO CONSTITUTIONAL MODERNIZATION COMMISSION THURSDAY, MAY 11, 2017 AT 9 AM

- 1. Why does Article XVIII, Section 3 of the Ohio Constitution need amended.
- Do the amendments proposed merely clarify the 1912 Constitutional Convention intent or enlarge the Home Rule powers of a municipal corporation.
- 3. Benefit analysis of the adoption of the changes to the Home Rule powers.

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