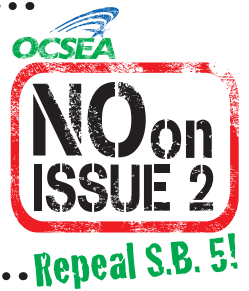




Talking Points: Privatization



Fire sale

This is a fire sale of state government. This is a closeout sale. Corporations will pick up Ohio's assets at bargain basement prices. Wall Street companies will stick taxpayers with an inflated tab via long-term contracts. And private company cost-cutting measures will whack services and safety in our communities.



Profit Tax

This is a "profit tax" on Ohio's taxpayers. Selling or leasing the Lottery, prisons, Liquor Control, state park lands and other assets just means taxpayers will pick up the tab for company profits--while taxpayers get LESS: less child care, fewer clean parks, no safe neighborhoods, fewer good schools and other services.



Attack on workers

Drastic measures like selling off five state prisons only nets \$200 million. OCSEA saved more than that in one year of our contract by sitting down with the Strickland administration. Instead of sitting down with public workers to see how money could be saved, they're selling off the state and hitting up taxpayers and our communities with the bill.



No accountability/transparency

Supporters of Senate Bill 5 say taxpayers must be at the table and collective bargaining should be more transparent. But by selling off state assets they've closed the door on transparency. Taxpayers lose their ability to know where their money is going or how it's being spent.



Private prisons/companies are bad neighbors

Does Ohio want to become another Arizona? Private prisons/companies bottom line is profit, not security. There is widespread evidence that private companies cut corners on safety and security. Headlines from Arizona, Idaho and Youngstown tell the story where escapees rape, murder and pillage communities.

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