
Application on the United States Congress Calling for the Balanced Budget Amendment Convention

THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF Concurrent Resolution No. _____

(By Legislators) : _____; _____; _____; _____; _____;
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_____; _____; _____; _____; _____; et al

Calling on the United States Congress and instructing Congress to convene the Balanced Budget Amendment Convention under the authority reserved to State Legislatures in Article V of the United States Constitution.

WHEREAS, Article IV, Section 4 of the Constitution of the United States guarantees to every State a Republican form of government which gives each State equal standing when calling for Amendment Conventions. Article V of the Constitution of the United States reserves to the several States the right to call for a Federal Amendment Convention for the purpose of amending the United States Constitution when Congress, the Courts, or the Executive Branch refuse to address an egregious wrong suffered by the people; and

WHEREAS, The States alone have the authority to "define" and "limit" the agenda at an Article V Amendment Convention. The authority of Congress, under Article V of the United States Constitution, empowers it to convene a Convention as Called for and defined by the several States; and

WHEREAS, The BALANCED BUDGET AMENDMENT CONVENTION will be a "Single Amendment Convention" defined by State Legislatures. The delegates summoned to this convention by Congress will have the authority to deliberate on and decide if the BALANCED BUDGET AMENDMENT, as pre-approved by State Legislatures, should be sent to the States for ratification. Absolutely no other business will be authorized at this Convention; therefore, be it

Resolved by the Legislature of

That the United States Congress convene a Single Amendment Convention called the BALANCED BUDGET AMENDMENT CONVENTION for the sole purpose to decide if the proposed Amendment should be sent to the State Legislatures for ratification. Congress is directed to convene the Amendment Convention within 60 days from the date it receives the 34th Call for this Convention from State Legislatures; and, be it

Resolved, That the Clerk forward a copy of this signed Agreement to the leadership in Both Houses of the United States Congress. The Clerk is further instructed to forward a copy of this "Resolution" to every State Legislature that has made a similar Call on the United States Congress directing Congress to convene the BALANCED BUDGET AMENDMENT CONVENTION. The Clerk is also directed to send a copy of this "Application" to Citizen Initiatives.

This Resolution is hereby entered into and approved by the Legislature of the State of on this date: Month: _____ Day: _____, Year: _____.

Authorized Signatures with Titles: _____ Seal of the State of

Name: _____ Title: _____

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