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HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION 3

A RESOLUTION applying to Congress to call a convention of states under the United States

Constitution.

SPONSORS: Rep. Edelblut, Hills 38; Rep. Moore, Hills 21; Rep. Itse, Rock 10;

Sen. Daniels, Dist 11

COMMITTEE: Legislative Administration

ANALYSIS

This resolution applies to Congress to call a convention of the states in accordance with Article V of the Constitution of the United States.

STATE OF NEW HAMPSHIRE

In the Year of Our Lord Two Thousand Fifteen

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Whereas, the founders of our Constitution empowered state legislators to be guardians of liberty against future abuses of power by the federal government; and

Whereas, the federal government has created a crushing national debt through improper and imprudent spending; and

Whereas, the federal government has invaded the legitimate roles of the states through the manipulative process of federal mandates, most of which are unfunded to a great extent; and

Whereas, the federal government has ceased to live under a proper interpretation of the Constitution of the United States; and

Whereas, it is the solemn duty of the states to protect the liberty of our people, particularly for the generations to come, by proposing amendments to the Constitution of the United States through a convention of the states under Article V for the purpose of restraining these and related abuses of power; now, therefore, be it

Resolved by the House of Representatives, the Senate concurring:

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That the New Hampshire general court hereby applies to Congress, under the provisions of Article V of the Constitution of the United States, for the calling of a convention of the states limited to proposing amendments to the Constitution of the United States that impose fiscal restraints on the federal government, limit the power and jurisdiction of the federal government, and limit the terms of office for its officials and for members of Congress.

That the house clerk is hereby directed to transmit copies of this application to the President and Secretary of the United States Senate; to the Speaker and Clerk of the United States House of Representatives; to the members of the United States Senate and House of Representatives from this state; and to the presiding officers of each of the legislative houses in the several states, requesting their cooperation.

That this application constitutes a continuing application in accordance with Article V of the Constitution of the United States until the legislatures of at least two-thirds of the several states have made applications on the same subject.