

LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF IDAHO  
Sixty-first Legislature Second Regular Session - 2012

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

HOUSE JOINT MEMORIAL NO. 11

BY STATE AFFAIRS COMMITTEE

A JOINT MEMORIAL

TO THE IDAHO SECRETARY OF STATE, TO THE SENATE AND HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE UNITED STATES IN CONGRESS ASSEMBLED, TO THE CONGRESSIONAL DELEGATION REPRESENTING THE STATE OF IDAHO IN THE CONGRESS OF THE UNITED STATES AND TO THE PRESIDING OFFICERS OF EACH HOUSE OF THE SEVERAL STATE LEGISLATURES, REQUESTING THEIR COOPERATION IN APPLYING FOR THE AMENDMENTS CONVENTION LIMITED TO THE SUBJECT MATTER CONTEMPLATED BY THIS APPLICATION.

We, your Memorialists, the House of Representatives and the Senate of the State of Idaho assembled in the Second Regular Session of the Sixty-first Idaho Legislature, do hereby respectfully represent that:

WHEREAS, Article V of the Constitution of the United States provides authority for a Convention to be called by the Congress of the United States for the purpose of proposing amendments to the Constitution upon application of two-thirds of the legislatures of the several states ("amendments convention"); and

WHEREAS, the Legislature of the State of Idaho favors the proposal and ratification of an amendment to the said Constitution which shall provide that an increase in the federal debt requires approval from a majority of the legislatures of the separate states.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the members of the Second Regular Session of the Sixty-first Idaho Legislature, the House of Representatives and the Senate concurring therein, that:

Section 1. That, as provided for in Article V of the Constitution of the United States, the Legislature of the State of Idaho herewith respectfully applies for an amendments convention to be called for the purpose of proposing an amendment which shall provide that an increase in the federal debt requires approval from a majority of the legislatures of the separate states.

Section 2. That the amendments convention contemplated by this application shall be entirely focused upon and exclusively limited to the subject matter of proposing for ratification an amendment to the Constitution providing that an increase in the federal debt requires approval from a majority of the legislatures of the separate states.

Section 3. That this application constitutes a continuing application in accordance with Article V of the Constitution of the United States until at least two-thirds of the legislatures of the several states have made application for an equivalently limited amendments convention.

Section 4. BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Chief Clerk of the House of Representatives be, and she is hereby authorized and directed to forward a copy of this Memorial to the Idaho Secretary of State, to the President of the United States Senate and the Speaker of the United States House of Representatives, to the congressional delegation representing the State of Idaho in the Congress of the United States, and to the presiding officers of each

1 house of the several state legislatures, requesting their cooperation in ap-  
2 plying for the amendments convention limited to the subject matter contem-  
3 plated by this application.