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HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION ***10***

A RESOLUTION applying for a convention of the states under Article V of the Constitution of the United States.

SPONSORS: Rep. Wallace, Rock. 33; Rep. Abear, Belk. 2

COMMITTEE: State-Federal Relations and Veterans Affairs

ANALYSIS

This resolution applies to Congress, under Article V of the United States Constitution, to call a convention of the states for the purpose of proposing amendments to the Constitution 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.

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STATE OF NEW HAMPSHIRE

In the Year of Our Lord Two Thousand Eighteen

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

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

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

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

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

13 Resolved by the House of Representatives, the Senate concurring:

14 That the legislature of the state of New Hampshire hereby applies to Congress, under the
15 provisions of Article V of the Constitution of the United States, for the calling of a convention of the
16 states limited to proposing amendments to the Constitution of the United States that impose fiscal
17 restraints on the federal government, limit the power and jurisdiction of the federal government,
18 and limit the terms of office for its officials and for members of Congress; and

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

24 That this application constitutes a continuing application in accordance with Article V of the
25 Constitution of the United States until the legislatures of at least 2/3 of the several states have
26 made applications on the same subject.