

House Concurrent Resolution No. 5027

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1 A CONCURRENT RESOLUTION applying to the Congress of the
2 United States to call a convention of the states for the purpose of
3 proposing amendments to the Constitution of the United States that
4 impose limits on the federal government.
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6 WHEREAS, The founders of the Constitution of the United States
7 empowered state legislators to be guardians of liberty against future
8 abuses of power by the federal government; and

9 WHEREAS, The federal government has created a crushing national
10 debt through improper and imprudent spending; and

11 WHEREAS, The federal government has invaded the legitimate role
12 of the states through the manipulative process of federal mandates, most
13 of which are unfunded and encroach on personal civil liberties through
14 coercion and punishment for non-compliance; and

15 WHEREAS, It is the solemn duty of the states to protect the liberty of
16 our people, particularly for generations to come, by proposing
17 amendments to the Constitution of the United States through a
18 convention of the states under Article V for the purpose of restraining
19 these and related abuses of power: Now, therefore,

20 *Be it resolved by the House of Representatives of the State of Kansas,*
21 *the Senate concurring therein:* The legislature of the state of Kansas
22 hereby applies to the Congress of the United States, under the provisions
23 of Article V of the Constitution of the United States, for the calling of a
24 convention of the states limited to proposing amendments to the
25 Constitution of the United States that impose fiscal restraints on the
26 federal government, limit the power and jurisdiction of the federal
27 government and limit the terms of office for officials of the federal
28 government and members of the Congress of the United States; and

29 *Be it further resolved:* This application constitutes a continuing
30 application in accordance with Article V of the Constitution of the United
31 States until the legislatures of at least two-thirds of the several states have
32 made applications on the same subject; and

1 *Be it further resolved:* That the Secretary of State shall send enrolled
2 copies of this resolution to the President and Secretary of the United
3 States Senate, the Speaker and Clerk of the United States House of
4 Representatives, to the members of the United States Senate and the
5 United States House of Representatives from this state and to the
6 presiding officers of each of the legislative chambers in the several states.