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In Opposition Testimony: Written Only

Dear Chairman Bud Estes and the members of the Senate Committee on Federal and State Affairs:

I am writing to voice my opposition SCR1611: Making application to the U.S. congress to call a convention of the states.

Please consider my testimony regarding a proposed Constitutional Convention. To do so is to say that the checks and balances in the Constitution aren't working well enough and the entire system needs to be redesigned to accommodate every hairbrained scheme of such a convention. It is the last refuge for factions who have not managed to pass Legislation to address their particular issue. How is that not anarchy? It is suicide for all three branches of Government, unless those Wise people can come up with better ideas for all issues managed by Government.

Sure, appliances have a reset switch. That's what you have here. A Convention would need to establish better ideas for Government. Have you ever tried to reconstruct a computer after a crash? It is possible to do it but the outcome is never better than it was before the crash. Please no not gamble with our system of Government. If you feel your job is that worthless, please just resign.

Lask that you oppose SCR1611.

Thank you for your consideration,

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