

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

HCR 2011

rescind calls for constitutional convention

Sponsors: Representatives Brimhall, Johnson, Anderson, Cooley, et al

DP Committee on Retirement and Government Operations

DP Committee on Judiciary

X Caucus and COW

Third Read

As Passed the House

HCR 2011 rescinds all previous constitutional convention calls to the United States Congress.

Current Status

HCR 2011 passed the Committee on Retirement and Government Operations unamended. HCR 2011 passed the Judiciary Committee unamended.

History

Article V of the United States Constitution states a Convention for proposing Amendments to the Constitution (constitutional convention) is called when two thirds of the several States make an Application to the Legislatures. The Constitution is amended when three fourths of the Convention ratify it. Therefore, when Arizona's Legislature has a disagreement with the United States Constitution, they must make an application for a constitutional convention with the United States Congress.

Provisions

- Rescinds all previous applications for constitutional conventions.
- States the Arizona Legislature has applied for constitutional conventions in the past with the intent of amending the Constitution.
- Specifies the will of the Arizona people has changed over time in regards to amending the Constitution.
- Explains other people and/or states have applied for constitutional conventions with purposes that are directly opposed to the will of the Arizona people.
- Clarifies the Arizona people do not want calls for constitutional conventions that they support to be grouped with calls they are opposed to.
- Requires Arizona's Secretary of State send certified copies of this Resolution to the President of the Senate of the United States, the Speaker of the House of Representatives of the United States and Arizona Congressional delegates.

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• Second Regular Session 2 March 27, 2002

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BILL STATUS OVERVIEW

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SPONSORS: BRIMHALL P JOHNSON P ANDERSON C
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 GRAY C KRAFT C PEARCE C
 PIERCE C


TITLE: rescind calls for constitutional convention

HOUSE FIRST READ: 01/17/02

COMMITTEES: ASSIGNED COMMITTEES ACTION

01/17/02 RGO
 01/17/02 JUD
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REFERENCE TITLE: rescind calls for constitutional convention

State of Arizona
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HCR 2011

Introduced by
Representatives Brimhall, Johnson, Anderson, Cooley, Farnsworth, Graf,
Gray, Kraft, Pearce, Pierce

A CONCURRENT RESOLUTION

RESCINDING ALL OF THIS STATE'S PREVIOUS CALLS FOR A CONSTITUTIONAL CONVENTION
TO AMEND THE CONSTITUTION OF THE UNITED STATES.

(TEXT OF BILL BEGINS ON NEXT PAGE)

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1 Whereas, the legislature of this state has in the past applied to the
2 Congress of the United States by memorial or resolution in accordance with
3 article V of the Constitution of the United States to call a convention for
4 the purpose of amending the Constitution; and
5 Whereas, over the course of time, the will of the people of this state
6 has changed with regard to those various calls for a constitutional
7 convention to amend the Constitution of the United States; and
8 Whereas, certain persons or states have more recently called for a
9 constitutional convention on issues that may be directly in opposition to the
10 will of the people of this state; and
11 Whereas, the people of this state do not want their previous
12 applications for a constitutional convention to be aggregated with those
13 calls for a convention that are based on political issues that the people of
14 this state do not support.
15 Therefore
16 Be it resolved by the House of Representatives of the State of Arizona, the
17 Senate concurring:
18 1. That the Legislature of the State of Arizona hereby rescinds all of
19 its previous applications to the Congress of the United States that called
20 for a constitutional convention to amend the Constitution of the United
21 States.
22 2. That the Secretary of State of the State of Arizona transmit
23 certified copies of this Resolution to the President of the Senate of the
24 United States, to the Speaker of the House of Representatives of the United
25 States and to each Member of Congress from the State of Arizona.