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SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION

JOINT RESOLUTION APPLYING FOR AN ARTICLE V AMENDMENTS
CONVENTION.

Subtitle

JOINT RESOLUTION APPLYING FOR AN ARTICLE
V AMENDMENTS CONVENTION.

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE OF THE EIGHTY-EIGHTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE
STATE OF ARKANSAS AND BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES, A MAJORITY OF ALL
MEMBERS ELECTED TO EACH HOUSE AGREEING THERETO:

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 (2/3) of the legislatures of the several states ("amendments
convention"); and

WHEREAS, the General Assembly of the State of Arkansas favors the
proposal and ratification of an amendment to the Constitution which shall
provide that an increase in the federal debt require(s) approval from a
majority of the legislatures of the separate states,



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2 NOW THEREFORE,

3 BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE OF THE EIGHTY-EIGHTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE
4 STATE OF ARKANSAS, THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES CONCURRING THEREIN:

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6 THAT, as provided for in Article V of the Constitution of the United
7 States, the General Assembly of the State of Arkansas herewith respectfully
8 apply for an amendments convention to be called for the purpose of proposing
9 an amendment which shall provide that an increase in the federal debt require
10 approval from a majority of the legislatures of the separate states,

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12 THAT the amendments convention contemplated by this application shall
13 be entirely focused upon and exclusively limited to the subject matter of
14 proposing for ratification an amendment to the Constitution providing that an
15 increase in the federal debt require approval from a majority of the
16 legislatures of the separate states, and

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18 THAT this application constitutes a continuing application in
19 accordance with Article V of the Constitution of the United States until at
20 least two-thirds (2/3) of the legislatures of the several states have made
21 application for an equivalently limited amendments convention.

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23 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT a certified copy of this application be
24 dispatched by the Secretary of State of Arkansas to the President of the
25 United States Senate, to the Speaker of the United States House of
26 Representatives, to each member of Arkansas's delegation to the United States
27 Congress, and to the presiding officer of each house of the several state
28 legislatures, requesting their cooperation in applying for the amendments
29 convention limited to the subject matter contemplated by this application.

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32 /s/Rapert
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