GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF NORTH CAROLINA SESSION 2025

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HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION DRHJR30185-MC-142

| | Sponsors: Representative Riddell. |
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| 1 | A JOINT RESOLUTION APPLYING TO CONGRESS FOR AN ARTICLE V CONVENTION |
| 2 | OF THE STATES WITH THE PURPOSE OF PROPOSING AMENDMENTS TO THE |
| 3 | UNITED STATES CONSTITUTION. |
| 4 | Whereas, the founders of the United States Constitution empowered state legislators |
| 5 | to be guardians against actual or potential abuses of power by the federal government; and |
| 6 | Whereas, the federal government has increasingly usurped legitimate roles of the |
| 7 | states; and |
| 8 | Whereas, the federal government has created a crushing national debt through |
| 9 | unsustainable budgeting and spending; and |
| 10 | Whereas, it is the solemn duty of the states to protect freedom and opportunity for our |
| 11 | citizens, including the generations to come; and |
| 12 | Whereas, Article V of the Constitution of the United States authorizes a process to |
| 13 | propose amendments to the United States Constitution through a convention of the states to place |
| 14 | clear restraints on these and related abuses of power; Now, therefore, |
| 15 | Be it resolved by the House of Representatives, the Senate concurring: |
| 16 | SECTION 1. The legislature of the State of North Carolina hereby applies to |
| 17 | Congress, under the provisions of Article V of the Constitution of the United States, for the |
| 18 | calling of a convention of the states limited to proposing amendments to the United States |
| 19 | Constitution that impose fiscal restraints on the federal government, limit the power and |
| 20 | jurisdiction of the federal government, and limit the terms of office for its officials and for |
| 21 | members of Congress. |
| 22 | SECTION 2. This application constitutes a continuing application in accordance |
| 23 | with Article V of the Constitution of the United States until the legislatures of at least two-thirds |
| 24 | of the several states have made applications on the same subject. |
| 25 | SECTION 3. The Secretary of State shall transmit copies of this application to the |
| 26 | President of the United States, the Secretary of the United States Senate, the Speaker and Clerk |
| 27 | of the United States House of Representatives, the members of North Carolina's congressional |
| 28 | delegation, and the presiding officers of all state legislatures in the several states requesting their |
| 29 30 | cooperation. |
| 50 | SECTION 4. This resolution is effective upon ratification. |

