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## HOUSE RESOLUTION

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REQUESTING THE UNITED STATES CONGRESS TO CALL A CONVENTION OF  
THE STATES FOR THE PURPOSE OF PROPOSING AMENDMENTS TO THE  
UNITED STATES CONSTITUTION.

1 WHEREAS, the founders of the Constitution of the United  
2 States empowered state legislators to be guardians of liberty  
3 against future abuses of power by the federal government; and  
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5 WHEREAS, Article V of the United States Constitution  
6 authorizes the calling of a convention for proposing amendments  
7 to the Constitution upon the application of two-thirds of the  
8 several states; and  
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10 WHEREAS, the federal government has created a crushing  
11 national debt through improper and imprudent spending; and  
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13 WHEREAS, the federal government has invaded the legitimate  
14 roles of the states through the manipulative process of federal  
15 mandates, most of which are unfunded to a great extent; and  
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17 WHEREAS, the federal government has ceased to live under a  
18 proper interpretation of the Constitution of the United States;  
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21 WHEREAS, it is the solemn duty of the states to protect the  
22 liberty of our people, particularly for the generations to come,  
23 by proposing Amendments to the Constitution of the United States  
24 through a Convention of the States under Article V for the  
25 purpose of restraining these and related abuses of power; now,  
26 therefore,  
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28 BE IT RESOLVED by the House of Representatives of the  
29 Twenty-eighth Legislature of the State of Hawaii, Regular  
30 Session of 2016, does hereby apply to Congress under the  
31 provisions of Article V of United States Constitution for the  
32 calling of a convention of the states, limited to proposing  
33 amendments to the Constitution of the United States that impose  
34 fiscal restraints on the federal government, limit the power and



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1 jurisdiction of the federal government, and limit the terms of  
2 office for its officials and for members of Congress; and  
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4 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that this application shall  
5 constitute a continuing application in accordance with Article V  
6 of the United States Constitution until the legislatures of at  
7 least two-thirds of the several states have made application on  
8 the same subject; and  
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10 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that certified copies of this  
11 Resolution be transmitted to the President and Secretary of the  
12 United States Senate, to the Speaker and Clerk of the United  
13 States House of Representatives, all members of the legislature  
14 of the state of Hawaii; and also to transmit copies hereof to  
15 the presiding officers of each of the legislative houses in each  
16 of the other 49 states, requesting their cooperation.  
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OFFERED BY:

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