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### A BILL FOR AN ACT

RELATING TO PROPOSING AMENDMENTS TO THE UNITED STATES CONSTITUTION.

#### BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF HAWAII:

- 1 SECTION 1. The legislature finds that the federal
- 2 government has overreached its constitutionally established
- 3 boundaries, which has resulted in the federal government
- 4 adopting administrative rules on subjects over which the
- 5 executive branch lacks proper authority. The federal executive
- 6 branch is violating the checks and balances principle of
- 7 establishing three separate but equal branches of government. A
- 8 federal constitutional amendment is necessary to clarify the
- 9 powers of the executive branch.
- 10 Article V of the Constitution of the United States
- 11 authorizes the United States Congress to call for a
- 12 constitutional convention for proposing amendments on the
- 13 "Application of the legislatures of two thirds of the several
- 14 states". The constitutional convention is referred to in modern
- 15 times as a convention of states. Proposed amendments to the
- 16 Constitution of the United States made by a constitutional



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- 1 convention require the ratification by the legislatures of three
- 2 fourths of the states.
- 3 The purpose of this Act is to authorize the United States
- 4 congress to call a convention for proposing amendments to the
- 5 Constitution of the United States.
- 6 SECTION 2. Pursuant to Article V of the Constitution of
- 7 the United States, the Congress of the United States is
- 8 requested to call a constitutional convention for proposing
- 9 amendments to the Constitution of the United States.
- This section shall be deemed an application by the
- 11 legislature of the State of Hawaii for purposes of Article V of
- 12 the Constitution of the United States.
- 13 SECTION 3. This Act shall take effect upon its approval.

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### Report Title:

United States Constitutional Convention

### Description:

Calls upon the United States congress to call for a constitutional convention to propose amendments to the United States Constitution.

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