

1 STATE OF OKLAHOMA

2 1st Session of the 53rd Legislature (2011)

3 HOUSE CONCURRENT  
4 RESOLUTION 1001

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6 AS INTRODUCED

7 A Concurrent Resolution making application to the  
8 Congress of the United States under Article V of the  
9 United States Constitution to call for a  
10 constitutional convention to propose amendments to  
11 the United States Constitution; limiting scope to  
12 specified subject areas; making application a  
13 continuing application unless rescinded by the  
14 Legislature; and directing distribution.

15 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF  
16 THE 1ST SESSION OF THE 53RD OKLAHOMA LEGISLATURE, THE SENATE  
17 CONCURRING THEREIN:

18 SECTION 1. The Oklahoma Legislature hereby makes application to  
19 the Congress, under the provisions of Article V of the Constitution  
20 of the United States, for the calling of a convention for proposing  
21 amendments.

22 SECTION 2. This application is for a convention limited to  
23 considering and proposing amendments on the following subjects:  
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1 1. Improving the fiscal management of the federal government by  
2 imposing requirements, with any stated exceptions, that federal  
3 expenditures during a fixed time period not exceed federal revenues  
4 or anticipated revenues during that time period; imposing  
5 prohibitions or limits on federal debt; or imposing limits on  
6 expenditures, revenue, and taxes;

7 2. Improving the legislative process by requiring that all  
8 bills, orders, votes, and resolutions introduced in and passed by  
9 Congress contain only a single subject and by providing a minimum  
10 time period before passage for bills, orders, votes and resolutions  
11 to be reviewed by members of Congress and members of the general  
12 public;

13 3. Restraining the powers of the federal government by  
14 clarifying that the Constitution does not authorize Congress to  
15 employ its spending power to regulate activities otherwise outside  
16 its enumerated powers and prohibiting mandates or requirements on  
17 any state, subdivision of any state, or any official thereof, unless  
18 the federal government fully funds the cost of compliance; or

19 4. Empowering the legislatures of the several states, with  
20 stated exceptions, to repeal all or certain acts of Congress and  
21 administrative regulations.

22 SECTION 3. This application shall be deemed an application for  
23 a convention to address each and any of the subjects in Section 2 of  
24 this resolution. For purposes of determining whether two-thirds

1 (2/3) of the states have applied for a convention addressing any  
2 subject, this application is to be aggregated with the applications  
3 of any other state legislatures limited to one or more of the  
4 subjects in Section 2 of this resolution.

5 SECTION 4. This is a continuing application and remains in  
6 effect until rescission by any sitting session of the Oklahoma  
7 Legislature. This application does not constitute a recognition  
8 that any particular activity or activities currently undertaken by  
9 the federal government is or are authorized by the Constitution.

10 SECTION 5. The Chief Clerk of the House is hereby directed to  
11 transmit copies of this application to the President and Secretary  
12 of the United States Senate, the Speaker and Clerk of the House of  
13 Representatives of the United States Congress, the Archivist of the  
14 United States, the Oklahoma Congressional Delegation, and the  
15 presiding officers of each of the legislative chambers in the  
16 several states requesting their cooperation.

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