



# HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION 379: Application for a Convention of the States.

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**OVERVIEW:** *House Joint Resolution 379 would request that Congress call an Article V Convention for proposing amendments to the United States Constitution.*

**CURRENT LAW:** Article V of the United States Constitution provides that proposals to amend the federal Constitution can be made in either of the following ways:

- Two-thirds of Congress can propose amendments, or
- Two-thirds of state legislatures (34 states) can request that Congress call a convention for proposing amendments. (Article V Convention).

**BILL ANALYSIS:** House Joint Resolution 379 would request that Congress call an Article V convention for proposing amendments to the United States Constitution limited to the following topics:

- Imposing fiscal restraints on the federal government.
- Limiting the power and jurisdiction of the federal government.
- Limiting the terms of office for federal government officials and for members of Congress.

The application for a convention would continue until the legislatures of at least two-thirds of the states have also made applications on the same subject. The North Carolina Secretary of State would be required to transmit the application to the relevant parties.

**EFFECTIVE DATE:** House Joint Resolution 379 would become effective on ratification.

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