

HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION PP

October 2, 2014, Introduced by Rep. McMillin and referred to the Committee on Commerce.

A joint resolution applying to the congress of the United States to call a convention to propose an amendment to the constitution of the United States to prohibit congress from exercising certain powers.

1 Be it resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives of
2 the state of Michigan:

3 Section 1. The legislature of the state of Michigan hereby
4 makes application to the congress of the United States of America,
5 under the provisions of article V of the constitution of the United
6 States, for the call of a convention for proposing amendments.

7 Section 2. This application is for a convention limited to
8 considering amendments proposing the following:

9 (a) Congress's power to regulate commerce is not a plenary
10 grant of power to the federal government to regulate and control

1 economic activity but a specific grant of power limited to
2 preventing states from impeding commerce and trade between and
3 among the several states.

4 (b) Congress's power to regulate commerce does not extend to
5 activity within a state, whether or not it affects interstate
6 commerce; nor does it extend to compelling an individual or entity
7 to participate in commerce or trade.

8 Section 3. This application shall be deemed an application for
9 a convention to address each and any of the subjects in section 2.
10 For purposes of determining whether two-thirds of the states have
11 applied for a convention addressing any subject, this application
12 is to be aggregated with the applications of any other state
13 legislatures limited to one or more of the subjects in section 2.

14 Section 4. This is a continuing application and remains in
15 effect until rescission by any sitting session of the legislature
16 of this state. This application does not constitute a recognition
17 that any particular activity or activities currently undertaken by
18 the federal government is or are authorized by the constitution.

19 Section 5. Resolved further, That the secretary of state shall
20 transmit copies of this application to the president and secretary
21 of the United States Senate, to the speaker and clerk of the United
22 States House of Representatives, to the archivist of the United
23 States, and to each member of this state's delegation to the
24 congress and that printed copies be sent to each house of each
25 state legislature in the United States.