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HOUSE RESOLUTION DRHR40198-LG-180A (12/12)

Sponsors: Representatives Jones, Millis, Riddell, and Fulghum (Primary Sponsors).

Referred to:

1 A HOUSE RESOLUTION ESTABLISHING A HOUSE SELECT COMMITTEE TO STUDY
2 WHETHER NORTH CAROLINA SHOULD APPLY TO CONGRESS FOR A
3 CONVENTION OF THE STATES UNDER ARTICLE V OF THE CONSTITUTION OF
4 THE UNITED STATES.

5 Whereas, several states, including Florida, Alaska, and Georgia, have applied to
6 Congress for a Convention of the States under Article V of the Constitution of the United
7 States, and other states have either introduced or passed similar resolutions in at least one
8 legislative body; and

9 Whereas, the authors of the Constitution empowered state legislators to be guardians
10 of liberty against abuses of power by the federal government; and

11 Whereas, the federal government has created a crushing national debt through
12 improper and imprudent spending; and

13 Whereas, the federal government has invaded the legitimate roles of the states
14 through the manipulative process of federal mandates, most of which are unfunded to a great
15 extent; and

16 Whereas, the federal government has ceased to exist under a proper interpretation of
17 the Constitution of the United States; and

18 Whereas, it is the solemn duty of the states to protect the liberty of our people,
19 particularly for the generations to come, and to propose amendments to the Constitution of the
20 United States through a Convention of the States under Article V of the Constitution of the
21 United States to place clear restraints on these and related abuses of power; Now, therefore,
22 Be it resolved by the House of Representatives:

23 **SECTION 1.** In accordance with House Rule 26(a), there is established the House
24 Select Committee on a Convention of the States.

25 **SECTION 2.** The Committee is charged with the following:

- 26 (1) Determining whether to adopt a resolution applying to Congress under the
27 provisions of Article V of the Constitution of the United States calling for a
28 Convention of the States limited to proposing amendments to the
29 Constitution of the United States that impose fiscal restraints on the federal
30 government, limit the power and jurisdiction of the federal government, and
31 limit the terms of office for its officials and members of Congress; and
32 (2) Other related issues in the discretion of the Committee.

33 **SECTION 3.** This resolution is effective upon adoption.

