

# House Concurrent Resolution No. 9

## 96TH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

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### AN ACT

Relating to the calling of an amendment convention.

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*Be it enacted by the General Assembly of the state of Missouri, as follows:*

2       **WHEREAS**, Article V of the Constitution of the United States provides that "on  
3 application of the legislatures of two-thirds of the several states" the calling of a convention for  
4 the purpose of proposing amendments to such Constitution is authorized; and

5       **WHEREAS**, any amendment proposed by the convention "shall be valid to all intents  
6 and purposes as part" of the Constitution of the United States "when ratified by the legislatures  
7 of three-fourths of the several states, or by conventions in three-fourths thereof, as the one or the  
8 other mode of ratification may be proposed by the Congress"; and

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10       **WHEREAS**, in the interests of preserving principles of federalism and state sovereignty,  
11 such an amendment convention should be restricted to considering the following amendment  
12 only:

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14               "Any provision of law or regulation of the United States may be repealed  
15 by the several states, and such repeal shall be effective when the legislatures of  
16 two-thirds of the several states approve resolutions for this purpose that  
17 particularly describe the same provision or provisions of law or regulation to be  
18 repealed."; and

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20       **WHEREAS**, this resolution is submitted as an official application by the State of  
21 Missouri, which when joined by two-thirds of the several states, shall authorize the calling of an  
22 amendment convention for the purpose stated in this resolution:

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24       **NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** that the members of the House of  
25 Representatives of the Ninety-sixth General Assembly, First Regular Session, the Senate  
26 concurring therein, hereby apply and make application to the Congress of the United States to

27 call an amendment convention pursuant to Article V of the United States Constitution for the  
28 limited purpose of a constitutional amendment that permits the repeal of any federal law or  
29 regulation by a vote of two-thirds of the state legislatures, and the Missouri Delegation to such  
30 convention, when called, shall propose the following amendment:

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32 "Any provision of law or regulation of the United States may be repealed by the  
33 several states, and such repeal shall be effective when the legislatures of two-  
34 thirds of the several states approve resolutions for this purpose that particularly  
35 describe the same provision or provisions of law or regulation to be repealed.";  
36 and

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38 **BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that the Chief Clerk of the Missouri House of  
39 Representatives prepare copies of this resolution for the President of the United States Senate,  
40 the Speaker of the United States House of Representatives, and each presiding officer of each  
41 state legislative chamber in the United States.

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