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Our federal government was created by the various states, for the benefit of the people of the states. However, through corruption and greed, our federal government has drifted away from serving “we the people” and has focused itself on self-serving policies and politics. Our founding fathers foresaw a day when the federal government could become drunk with power to the point no return. Wisely, they incorporated in our federal constitution a safety valve for the states to check the fed’s overreach. Article V provides a mechanism for the states to propose, discuss and vote on constitutional amendment(s) totally bypassing Congress. Since Congress will never enact any legislation that would curb their power, it’s up to the states to right the ship.

Our Article V petition focuses on three areas: term limits for federal officials, requiring fiscal responsibility and limiting the power and jurisdiction of the federal government. I would specifically like to address the question of how federal tax dollars are returned to the states for education.

This current Washington administration is pushing Critical Race Theory and Diversity, Equity and Inclusion policies. School districts and universities who don’t embrace these radical ideals face losing federal funding and status. This is an obvious overreach of power and should be addressed. The states are the best stewards for the education of their young citizens and should not be shook down by Washington for the tax dollars we sent to them. Washington has shown they are not good stewards of our hard earned dollars as evidenced by the current deficit and debt.

There are many more examples of federal overreach and waste for you to consider. Please support the COS resolution titled HJR3.

Respectfully submitted,
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