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Chair Peterson, Vice Chair Thomas, Ranking Member Humphrey, and members of the House Government Oversight Committee I would like to thank you for inviting myself and my joint sponsor, Representative Willis, to Committee today.

Today, I am here to provide testimony for H.B. 607 otherwise known as the Faithful Delegates bill. As you have all have been listening to debate regarding H.J.R. 3 and the Article V call for a Convention of States, we wanted to address concerns some have regarding delegate selection and behavior. This bill addresses many of those concerns by creating rules, procedures, and penalties for delegates while fulfilling their duty on behalf of the state at a convention.

- Number of Delegates Odd number requirement
- Selection Procedure
- Eligibility Requirements
- Recall Procedure
- Oath of Delegate Position
- Compensation
- Delegate Roles at Convention (Chair, Vote, Media)
- Delegate Advisory Committee
- Convention Delegate Limitations
- Criminal Penalty (3rd Degree Felony)

Delegates, under this bill, will not be able to make any changes or alterations to the Bill of Rights, the 13th, 14th, 15th, 19th, 23rd, 24th, and 26th amendments specifically. They will also not be able to vote upon things outside the scope of what the Convention was called for. Ensuring what many of our founding

fathers as well as great public servants before us carefully crafted in order to have our Constitution protected.

We would be more than happy to listen to any suggestions that Committee may have. We are happy to answer any questions you may have.