

Vote NO SJR 3. Resolutions applying for an Article V convention to propose amendments to the U.S. Constitution are not advisable at this time. Most states throughout this country (United States of America) have not exercised Article VI of the U.S. Constitution as one cohesive state legislative body against the overreach by the [b]iden's administration it's party, agencies & other previous administrations.

On February 4, the South Dakota Legislature rejected SJR 502<sup>1</sup> which shares various resolutions applying for an Article V convention by the Ohio State legislature. I encourage the Ohio State legislature to heed their advice. Stand up for the U.S. Constitution as currently written.

Today's political climate-- rife with corruption, cronyism, and political factions-- heightens the risk of a convention being manipulated by special interests and wealthy and influential individuals.<sup>2</sup>

Given the scarcity of true constitutionalists in state leadership, there's a significant risk regarding who would be chosen to amend the Constitution, and the irreversible damage they could inflict on both the Constitution and civil liberties.<sup>3</sup>

An Article V convention (or "Con-Con") is unnecessary and will do harm to the U.S. Constitution.<sup>4</sup>

Edmund Burke long ago tried to teach us, stability as well as adjustment is necessary in a political regime just as it is in society. Our U.S. Constitution has survived almost 250 years, more than any other country. Research the constitutional convention real history & real precedent from 1787. Constitutional enforcement is the appropriate remedy. It includes nullification & we the constituents holding our representatives accountable.

The vast majority of the federal government would be declared unconstitutional. The elimination of 4<sup>th</sup> branch of unelected federal agencies would definitely reduce U.S. budget. Similar to DOGE, which is not a new concept. Under President Clinton, Re-Inventing Government, cut over 400,000 federal jobs resulting in a budget surplus.

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Sincerely,

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I am a U.S. Constitutionalist, not a democrat, republican, conservative, green party, or any other party movement.

U.S. Republic = Rule by Law + Separation of Powers = Self-Reliance + Innovation + FREEDOM

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<sup>1</sup> [sdpb.sd.gov/sdpbpodcast/2025/hou14.mp3#t=5440](https://sdpb.sd.gov/sdpbpodcast/2025/hou14.mp3#t=5440)

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<sup>4</sup> [youtu.be/Q60OK1LmIKQ](https://youtu.be/Q60OK1LmIKQ) 3'

