

Chairman Petterson, Vice Chairwoman Thomas, Ranking Member Humphrey, and members of the Committee,

I thank you for this opportunity to listen to why I am asking for all of you to support **HJR 3**.

We have serious problems at the federal level. Our government leaders in Washington DC are way out of control. Over the past one hundred years, the states have slowly lost control of the federal government. My great-grandparents lived through the great depression and raised their families in the aftermath. Then our grandparents were faced with WWII and the Korean War. Then my parents had to endure the mistreatments during the Vietnam War just because they wore a military uniform. I grew up watching what I thought were great strides of peace when I witnessed on TV as the Berlin Wall came down. But as we have witnessed useless departments were created within the federal government.

For example, if each state has a Dept of Education, Treasury, Transportation, Commerce, Taxation, Health & Human Services, Corrections, Agriculture, Parks, (just to mention a few); why do we have the same federal department? All we can see is it is called an abuse of power and an abuse of spending tax dollars. With every situation, DC continues to abuse our tax dollars and push laws just like the current vaccine mandates.

After the farce of the 2020 election, I joined the Convention of States Action. I felt our country is going down a downward spiral. This downward spiral is not only hurting every one of us today but also our children, and our grandchildren.

I feel we need to call for an Article V Convention. Article 5 of the **US CONSTITUTION** gives us the power to call for a convention to propose amendments to the Constitution. If we join the other 15 states on board, I feel the other states will join too. As a descendant of Roger Sherman (a was one of our founding fathers), I know he would agree. He did not intend for our constitution to be trampled on and to make our country a socialist state.. COS Action is calling for 3 amendment topics, (Term Limits, Fiscal Responsibility, and Reducing the power of the Federal Government). We Must Stop the Federal Money Printing Machine and must use the opportunity to put a stop to federal overreach and save our country before it is too late.

Unfortunately, the Federal Government has been operating in ways that our founding fathers did not intend. The actual power of our government belongs in the hands of the States and we the people. It is time to honor the wishes of our citizens and give our country hope for the future. Thank you for your service to Ohio and your consideration of **HJR 3**.

Thank you

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