



URGE THE ALASKA  
STATE LEGISLATURE TO:  
**SUPPORT CON-CON  
RESCISSION RESOLUTIONS**

## Support Alaska Con-Con Rescission Resolution HJR 41

**URGENT:** The Alaska House Judiciary Committee has scheduled a hearing on Con-Con rescission resolution HJR 41 for tomorrow (Wednesday), March 18, at 1 p.m. Alaska Time.

**The John Birch Society encourages patriots to testify in favor of this important, pro-Constitution resolution.** For information on how to testify, [click here](#).

**Also, please call the following committee members, and urge them to support HJR 41:**

- **Chair Rep. Andrew Gray (D):** 1-907-465-4940; Toll Free: 1-866-465-4940
- **Vice Chair Rep. Chuck Kopp (R):** 1-907-465-3892; Toll Free 1-866-465-3892
- **Rep. Ted Eischeid (D):** 1-907-465-2095; Toll-Free: 1-866-465-2095
- **Rep. Genevieve Mina (D):** 1-907-465-3424; Toll-Free: 1-800-303-0144
- **Rep. Sarah Vance (R):** 1-907-465-2689; Toll-Free: 1-800-665-2689
- **Rep. Mia Costello (R):** 1-907-465-4993; Toll-Free: 1-866-465-4993
- **Rep. Jubilee Underwood (R):** 1-907-465-2186; Toll-Free: 1-800-468-2186

Members of the Alaska State Legislature are attempting to pass a resolution that would rescind every live application to Congress calling for a convention to propose amendments, under Article V of the Constitution, otherwise known as a constitutional convention (Con-Con) or a “convention of states.”

House Joint Resolution No. 41 ([HJR 41](#)), sponsored by Representative Calvin Schrage (I-Anchorage), would, if enacted, request “that all resolutions and enactments previously passed by the Alaska State Legislature, or by either house of the legislature, petitioning the United States Congress for a convention under art. V of the Constitution of the United States be rescinded, nullified, and superseded upon passage of this resolution.”

Any Article V convention, no matter how well intentioned, could lead to a [runaway convention](#) and reverse many of the Constitution’s limitations on government power and interference. In other words, **a Con-Con could**

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**accomplish the same goals that many of its advocates claim to be fighting against.** As evidence, both a [2016](#) and [2023 simulated "Convention of States"](#) resulted in amendments massively increasing the federal government and expanding its spending powers.

Additionally, in the last years of his life, the late Justice Antonin Scalia stood opposed to an Article V convention. Asked about it in a 2015 interview, he [remarked](#), **"This is not a good century to write a constitution."** Furthermore, **what kind of delegates would Alaska send to such a convention? Constitutionalist conservatives or RINO moderates and liberals?**

On December 9, 2021, constitutionalist U.S. Representative [Thomas Massie](#) (R-Ky.), warning against a Con-Con, [tweeted](#):

Show me a single state where Constitutionals comprise a majority of the state legislature.

At this point in history, an Article V Convention of the States would be a disaster.

In 1979, then-U.S. Senator Barry Goldwater of Arizona correctly warned about an Article V convention:

If we hold a constitutional convention, every group in the country — majority, minority, middle-of-the-road, left, right, up, down — is going to get its two bits in and we are going to wind up with a constitution that will be so far different from the one we have lived under for 200 years that I doubt that the Republic could continue.

An Article V constitutional convention is unnecessary to protect individual liberty and limit the size and scope of government. If anything, a constitutional convention would more than likely **undermine those protections and increase the size and scope of the federal government** rather than impose any meaningful limitations on its jurisdiction, as the resolution purportedly seeks to accomplish. The massive expansion of government and growing infringements on our liberties are not because of "problems" or "flaws" with the Constitution, but rather due to misinterpretation, wrongful application, or lack of enforcement altogether. If applied faithfully and accurately, in accordance with its original meaning, at least 80 percent of the federal government's programs would likely be found unconstitutional. This fact negates any reason for convening an Article V convention today. The correct solution is constitutional enforcement, not a constitutional convention.

Rather than passing Article V convention applications, which risk a runaway convention threatening our God-given rights and individual liberty, **the Legislature should consider [Article VI](#) and nullify unconstitutional laws.** Above all, **urge your state representative and senator to support HJR 41, rescind all Article V convention applications, and to [consider nullification](#) as a safe and constitutional means to limit government instead.**

Robert Brown: The Harsh Reality of a "Convention of States"