

ONE HUNDRED FIFTH LEGISLATURE - FIRST SESSION - 2017
COMMITTEE STATEMENT
LR6

Hearing Date: Wednesday February 01, 2017
Committee On: Government, Military and Veterans Affairs
Introducer: Ebke
One Liner: Resolution to Congress for convention of the states to propose amendments to the U.S. Constitution

Roll Call Vote - Final Committee Action:
Placed on General File

Vote Results:

Aye:	6	Senators Brewer, Briese, Craighead, Hilgers, Lowe, Murante
Nay:	1	Senator Wayne
Absent:		
Present Not Voting:	1	Senator Blood

Verbal Testimony:

Proponents:

Senator Laura Ebke
Mark Meckler
Mark Adamson
Kerry Winterer
David McPhillips
Laurel Hansen
Thomas Schwendtner
Larry Storer
Steve Riese
S. Wayne Smith
Bruce Hanson
Scott Charette
Cameron Murphy

Representing:

Introducer
Convention of States
Convention of States/Self
Self
Convention of States
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Self
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Convention of States/Self
Self
Self
Self
Self

Opponents:

Bri McLarty Huppert
Renee Fry
Gavin Geis
Kathy Wilmot
Ken Smith
Ed Rieker
Lona Ferguson
Donna Gould
Packy Colgan

Representing:

Nebraskans for Civic Reform
OpenSky Policy Institute
Common Cause Nebraska
Self
Nebraska Appleseed
Self
Self
Self
Self

Neutral:

Representing:

Summary of purpose and/or changes:

Article V of the United States Constitution provides the states with the opportunity to propose constitutional amendments

through a process called a Convention of States.

LR 6 states that the Nebraska Legislature urges Congress to call for a convention of the states limited to proposing amendment to the Constitution that impose fiscal restraints on the federal government, limit the power and jurisdiction of the federal government, and limit the terms of office for its officials and for members of Congress.

John Murante, Chairperson