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**HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION 14-1016**

101      **CONCERNING AN APPLICATION TO THE CONGRESS OF THE UNITED**  
102           **STATES TO CALL A CONVENTION FOR PROPOSING AMENDMENTS**  
103           **TO THE CONSTITUTION OF THE UNITED STATES TO PROVIDE**  
104           **THAT AN INCREASE IN THE FEDERAL DEBT REQUIRES APPROVAL**  
105           **FROM A MAJORITY OF THE LEGISLATURES OF THE SEPARATE**  
106           **STATES.**

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1            WHEREAS, Article V of the Constitution of the United States  
2            provides authority for a Convention to be called by the Congress of the  
3            United States for the purpose of proposing amendments to the  
4            Constitution upon application of two-thirds of the legislatures of the  
5            several states (amendments convention); and

Shading denotes HOUSE amendment. Double underlining denotes SENATE amendment.  
*Capital letters indicate new material to be added to existing statute.*  
*Dashes through the words indicate deletions from existing statute.*

1           WHEREAS, The Colorado General Assembly favors the proposal  
2 and ratification of an amendment to said Constitution, which shall  
3 provide that an increase in the federal debt requires approval from a  
4 majority of the legislatures of the separate states; now, therefore,

5           *Be It Resolved by the House of Representatives of the Sixty-ninth*  
6 *General Assembly of the State of Colorado, the Senate concurring herein:*

7           (1) That, as provided for in Article V of the Constitution of the  
8 United States, the Colorado General Assembly herewith respectfully  
9 applies for an amendments convention to be called for the purpose of  
10 proposing an amendment, which shall provide that an increase in the  
11 federal debt requires approval from a majority of the legislatures of the  
12 separate states.

13           (2) That the amendments convention contemplated by this  
14 application shall be entirely focused upon and exclusively limited to the  
15 subject matter of proposing for ratification an amendment to the  
16 Constitution of the United States providing that an increase in the federal  
17 debt requires approval from a majority of the legislatures of the separate  
18 states.

19           (3) That this application constitutes a continuing application in  
20 accordance with Article V of the Constitution of the United States until  
21 at least two-thirds of the legislatures of the several states have made  
22 application for an equivalently limited amendments convention.

23           *Be It Further Resolved,* That copies of this Joint Resolution be sent  
24 to the Majority Leader of the United States Senate, to the Speaker of the  
25 United States House of Representatives, to each member of Colorado's  
26 congressional delegation, and to the presiding officers of each house of  
27 the several state legislatures, requesting their cooperation in applying for  
28 the amendments convention limited to the subject matter contemplated by  
29 this Joint Resolution.