Article V Convention of States; SCR 1604

SCR 1604 serves as Kansas' application to Congress, under the provisions of Article V of the *U.S. Constitution*, for the purpose of calling a convention of the states. The convention would be limited to proposing amendments to the *U.S. 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 members of Congress and federal officials.

The resolution is a continuing application to Congress for a convention of the states until two-thirds of the state legislatures have applied to Congress on the same subject.

The resolution contains whereas clauses setting out legislative findings regarding the roles of the states and the federal government, particularly regarding amending the *U.S. Constitution* through a convention of the states under Article V and the authority under Article V allowing states to call for such convention. The resolution also contains a whereas clause citing the *Kansas Constitution* requirement for a two-thirds vote of each legislative chamber to make an application to Congress to call such a convention.

The resolution requires the Secretary of State to send an enrolled copy of the resolution to the President and Secretary of the U.S. Senate, the Speaker and the Clerk of the U.S. House of Representatives, the Kansas members of the U.S. House and Senate, and the presiding officers of each legislative chamber in each state.