

State of Vermont Senate Chamber



Montpelier, Vermont

Joint Senate Resolution

By Senators Pearson, Ayer, Benning, Clarkson, Sirotkin, and White,

J.R.S. 17. Joint resolution rescinding the General Assembly's request, contained in 2014 Acts and Resolves No. R-454, for Congress to convene a U.S. Constitutional Convention.

Whereas, during the 2013–2014 Biennium, the General Assembly adopted 2014 Acts and Resolves No. R-454, “Joint resolution relating to an application of the General Assembly for Congress to call a convention for proposing amendments to the U.S. Constitution,” and

Whereas, the specific purpose of this resolution was to help establish a mandate, in accordance with the provisions of Article V of the U.S. Constitution, for Congress to call a convention to amend the U.S. Constitution for the exclusive purpose of reversing the U.S. Supreme Court decision in *Citizens United v Federal Election Commission*, 130 S.Ct. 876 (2010), and

Whereas, supporters of 2014 Acts and Resolves No. R-454 may not favor other amendments that have also been proposed for a constitutional convention’s consideration, and

Whereas, the specific agenda for a prospective constitutional convention called in accordance with the provisions of Article V remains uncertain, *now therefore be it*

Resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives:

That the General Assembly rescinds its call, contained in 2014 Acts and Resolves No. R-454, for Congress to convene a U.S. Constitutional Convention, *and be it further*

Resolved: That the Secretary of State be directed to send a copy of this resolution to the vice president of the United States; the president pro tempore and the secretary of the Senate of the United States; the Speaker and Clerk of the House of Representatives of the United States; the archivist of the United States; and the Vermont Congressional Delegation.