

CONSTITUTIONAL INITIATIVE NO. 23

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AN AMENDMENT TO THE CONSTITUTION PROPOSED BY INITIATIVE PETITION

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THIS INITIATIVE WOULD AMEND THE MONTANA CONSTITUTION TO DIRECT THE 1985 LEGISLATURE TO ADOPT A RESOLUTION REQUESTING CONGRESS TO CALL A CONSTITUTIONAL CONVENTION FOR THE PURPOSE OF ADOPTING A BALANCED BUDGET AMENDMENT. THE INITIATIVE WOULD ALSO REQUIRE THAT IF THE RESOLUTION IS NOT ADOPTED WITHIN NINETY LEGISLATIVE DAYS, THE LEGISLATURE SHALL REMAIN IN SESSION WITHOUT COMPENSATION TO ITS MEMBERS, AND WITH NO RECESS IN EXCESS OF THREE CALENDAR DAYS, UNTIL THE RESOLUTION IS ADOPTED. THE INITIATIVE WOULD BECOME VOID IF THE CONVENTION IS NOT LIMITED TO THE SUBJECT OF A BALANCED BUDGET OR IF CONGRESS ITSELF PROPOSES A SIMILAR AMENDMENT.

FOR amending the Montana Constitution to direct the Legislature to request that Congress call a constitutional convention to propose a balanced federal budget amendment.

AGAINST amending the Montana Constitution to direct the Legislature to request that Congress call a constitutional convention to propose a balanced federal budget amendment.

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