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1	SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION NO. 5
2	INTRODUCED BY A. WITTICH
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4	A JOINT RESOLUTION OF THE SENATE AND THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE STATE OF
5	MONTANA PROVIDING FOR THE APPLICATION FOR AN AMENDMENTS CONVENTION TO THE
6	CONSTITUTION OF THE UNITED STATES TO BE CALLED FOR THE PURPOSE OF PROPOSING AN
7	AMENDMENT THAT PROVIDES THAT AN INCREASE IN THE FEDERAL DEBT REQUIRES APPROVAL
8	FROM A MAJORITY OF THE LEGISLATURES OF THE SEPARATE STATES.
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10	WHEREAS, Article V of the Constitution of the United States provides authority for a convention to be
11	called by the Congress of the United States for the purpose of proposing amendments to the Constitution of the
12	United States upon application of two-thirds of the legislatures of the several states, which is also known as ar
13	amendments convention; and
14	WHEREAS, the Montana Legislature favors the proposal and ratification of an amendment to the
15	Constitution of the United States that provides that an increase in the federal debt requires approval from a
16	majority of legislatures of the separate states.
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18	NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE AND THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE
19	STATE OF MONTANA:
20	That the Legislature of the State of Montana respectfully applies for an amendments convention to the
21	Constitution of the United States to be called for the purpose of proposing an amendment to the Constitution of
22	the United States providing that an increase in the federal debt requires approval from a majority of the
23	legislatures of the separate states.
24	BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the amendments convention contemplated by this application mus
25	be focused entirely upon and exclusively limited to the subject matter of proposing for ratification an amendmen
26	to the Constitution of the United States providing that an increase in the federal debt requires approval from a
27	majority of the legislatures of the several states.
28	BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that this application constitutes a continuing application in accordance with
29	Article V of the Constitution of the United States until at least two-thirds of the legislatures of the several states
30	have made application for an equivalently limited amendments convention.

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1 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Secretary of State forward copies of this resolution to the President

2 of the United States Senate, to the Speaker of the United States House of Representatives, to each member of

the Montana Congressional Delegation, and to the secretary of state for each state to forward to each state

4 legislature.

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