Our neglected republic is going to hell, because our elected representatives in Washington, DC refuse to put aside their partisan desires and start working for what is in the best interest of the people who elected them. These partisan desires have reached the point that national security, fiscal sanity and equal justice are no longer assured.

Thankfully, the "framers" of our constitution anticipated such a situation could happen and provided Article V in the constitution. Article V provides the process for State Legislatures to propose and ratify amendments to the constitution to address significant issues the Congress and the Executive Branch refuse to solve.

I understand some legislatures oppose Article V because they fear a "runaway convention" or they have never used Article V before. The greatest fears a legislator should have are: 1. what will happen if they shirk their responsibilities and do nothing. 2. What will be the impact on future generations.

State legislators have a responsibility to act on behalf of the people when Federal legislators refuse to do their job.

I strongly support passage of HCR 5008.

Thank You