

**Sixty-fourth Legislative Assembly of North Dakota
In Regular Session Commencing Tuesday, January 6, 2015**

HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 3015

(Representatives Dosch, Rick C. Becker, Bellew, Fehr, Kading, Kasper, Schatz, Streyle, Thoreson)
(Senators Casper, Dever, Larsen)

A concurrent resolution making a formal application to Congress to call a convention for the sole purpose of proposing an amendment to the Constitution of the United States which requires a balanced federal budget.

WHEREAS, Article V of the Constitution of the United States mandates that upon the application of the legislatures of two-thirds of the states, Congress shall call a convention for proposing amendments; and

WHEREAS, this application is to be considered as covering the balanced budget amendment language of the presently outstanding balanced budget applications from other states; and

WHEREAS, this application shall be aggregated for the purpose of attaining the two-thirds necessary to require the calling of a convention for proposing a balanced budget amendment, but shall not be aggregated with any applications on any other subject; and

WHEREAS, this application is a continuing application until the legislatures of at least two-thirds of the states have made applications on the same subject; and

WHEREAS, the North Dakota Legislative Assembly deems an amendment to the Constitution of the United States requiring a balanced federal budget to be necessary for the good of the American people;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF NORTH DAKOTA, THE SENATE CONCURRING THEREIN:

That the Sixty-fourth Legislative Assembly urges the Congress of the United States to call a convention of the states limited to proposing an amendment to the Constitution of the United States requiring that in the absence of a national emergency the total of all federal appropriations made by the Congress for any fiscal year may not exceed the total of all estimated federal revenues for that fiscal year, together with any related and appropriate fiscal restraints; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Secretary of State forward copies of this resolution to the President and Secretary of the Senate and the Speaker and Clerk of the House of Representatives of the Congress, to each member of the United States Congressional Delegation, and also to transmit copies to the presiding officers of each of the legislative houses in the United States, requesting their cooperation.

Speaker of the House

President of the Senate

Chief Clerk of the House

Secretary of the Senate