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CHAMBER ACTION

Senate

House

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1 Representative Hasner offered the following:

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3 **Amendment to Amendment (974079)**

4 Remove lines 5-54 and insert:

5 WHEREAS, the United States Congress and President Obama
6 have recently seen fit to use taxpayer money to directly benefit
7 corporations and labor unions that were experiencing market
8 difficulties, and

9 WHEREAS, free market ideals envision the failure of
10 corporations that make bad business decisions, and

11 WHEREAS, Article V of the Constitution of the United States
12 makes provision for amending the Constitution on the application
13 of the legislatures of two-thirds of the several states, calling
14 a convention for proposing amendments that shall be valid to all
15 intents and purposes if ratified by the legislatures of three-
16 fourths of the several states, or by conventions in three-

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17 fourths thereof, as one or the other mode of ratification may be
18 proposed by Congress, NOW, THEREFORE,

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20 Be It Resolved by the Senate of the State of Florida, the House
21 of Representatives Concurring:

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23 That the Legislature of the State of Florida, with all due
24 respect and great reluctance, does hereby make application to
25 the Congress of the United States pursuant to Article V of the
26 Constitution of the United States to call an Article V
27 amendments convention for the sole purpose of proposing
28 amendments to the Constitution of the United States:

29 (1) To achieve and maintain a balanced budget by:

30 (a) Requiring that such balanced budget account for all
31 obligations of the Federal Government;

32 (b) Allowing flexibility in federal balanced budget
33 requirements by providing exceptions related to exigencies such
34 as national emergencies or threats to the nation's security;

35 (c) Imposing spending limits on the Federal Government;

36 (d) Setting extraordinary vote requirements for new or
37 increased federal taxes and other revenues; and

38 (e) Prohibiting federal mandates on states to impose taxes
39 or fees.

40 (2) To control the ability of the Congress and the various
41 federal executive agencies to require states to expend funds by:

42 (a) Limiting the ability of Congress and the various
43 federal executive agencies to pass legislation requiring states
44 to spend money or to take actions requiring the expenditure of

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45 money unless federal funds are provided in ongoing amounts
46 sufficient to offset the full costs of such requirements; and

47 (b) Limiting the ability of Congress to dictate to states
48 requirements for the expenditure of federal funds other than
49 such requirements as may be necessary to measure outcomes to be
50 achieved through the expenditure of the federal funds, leaving
51 to the several states the ability to decide how to best
52 accomplish those outcomes.

53 (3) To prohibit the Federal Government from directly using
54 taxpayer money to provide direct or indirect financial
55 assistance to benefit corporations or labor unions.