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## PENNSYLVANIA ARTICLE V CONSTITUTIONAL CONVENTION ACTION ALERT

Tuesday, April 12th, 2022  
Contact: [info@foac-illea.org](mailto:info@foac-illea.org)

SR 152 (COS), has been on the Senate calendar for 7 legislative days without being brought up; it can remain on the Senate calendar without action taken for only 10 legislative days. Action includes debate & vote, tabling, or sending to a committee.

We just heard there's going to be a meeting tomorrow morning—Tues. April 12—to determine if there are enough votes among Republicans to advance SR 152 to the floor!

Please make the following short calls and leave a short message telling the Pennsylvania Senators why they should kill the COS application. Suggested messages are below.

#### Note:

Republican legislators are big on gun rights in PA. COS President Mark Meckler touts Professor Robert P. George as "the foremost conservative constitutional scholar in America" and member of his Legal Advisory Board. But Professor George has co-drafted an ideal "conservative" constitution which grants massive powers to the federal gov't & imposes gun control with red flag confiscations! See "An Article V Convention Made Easy" flyer below under "For Republicans Only."

Last November, in a veiled threat at a legislative roundtable discussion with several Republican Senators present, Meckler told the leader of the largest Pennsylvania firearm rights organization, [FOAC-ILLEA](#), that the supposed 90,000 Pennsylvanians Meckler "represents" won't support their constitutional carry legislation unless the gun group reverses its position and supports COS! If that's the kind of support the Second Amendment is getting from COS, Pennsylvania mustn't let them get their hands on our Constitution!

#### The Legislation

Here is the application we oppose on the Senate Calendar:

**SR 152** (COS)—On Senate Calendar—Can be scheduled for debate & vote at any time!!

#### Phone Calls

Please make the following calls immediately and prioritize Sen. Kim Ward (Majority Leader) & Sen. Robinson if you don't have time for the rest. Ask them to Vote "No!" on SR 152 (Convention of States).

#### Suggestions for short phone messages:

And if you're a Republican or conservative, tell them so!

1. We could lose our Constitution at an Art. V convention.

2. A convention could lead to eliminating our gun rights.
3. There's never been an Article V Convention—there could be unintended consequences.
4. Let's enforce the Constitution we have, not rewrite it!
5. No one can control the Delegates to an Article V convention.
6. The convention lobby can't be trusted.

Convention of States President Mark Meckler said on Nov. 8, 2021 that his supporters would not support constitutional carry legislation, unless the largest gun group in Pennsylvania reversed its position and supported an Article V convention! And a convention is where we are certain to lose our gun rights!

7. The Convention of States Project is splitting the Republican party during an election year. Our conservative position on issues will mean nothing should Congress call a convention. We'd likely lose our Constitution!

Republican Senator:

Sen. Kim L. Ward\*

Majority Leader: Ask her not to bring SR 152 to a floor Vote!  
(717) 787-6063

Sen. Devlin Robinson\*

Ask him & the others below to Vote "No" on SR 152 (Convention of States)  
(717) 787-5839

Sen. Ryan P. Aument(717) 787-4420

Sen. Lisa Baker(717) 787-7428

Sen. Camera Bartolotta(717) 787-1463

Sen. Michele Brooks(717) 787-1322

Sen. Patrick M. Browne(717) 787-1349

Sen. Christopher Gebhard(717) 787-5708

Sen. John R. Gordner(717) 787-8928

Sen. Scott E. Hutchinson(717) 787-9684

Sen. Wayne Langerholc Jr.(717) 787-5400

Sen. Daniel Laughlin(717) 787-8927

Sen. Doug Mastriano(717) 787-4651

Sen. Bob Mensch(717) 787-3110

Sen. Mike Regan(717) 787-8524

Sen. Mario M. Scavello(717) 787-6123

Sen. Patrick J. Stefano(717) 787-7175

Sen. Robert M. Tomlinson(717) 787-5072

Sen. Elder A. Vogel Jr.(717) 787-3076

Sen. Gene Yaw(717) 787-3280

### Talking Points

Here are some talking points that you can select from for a letter or write your own:

The "[Myths v. Facts](#)" flyer exposes a number of the false assurances made by convention supporters. You can copy and paste one myth & fact into a short letter and link the entire flyer, if you wish. Or write your own letter using information from this flyer or others.

The "[Brilliant Men](#)" flyer shows that James Madison, Alexander Hamilton, four US Supreme Court Justices, and other jurists and scholars warned that Delegates to an Article V convention can't be controlled.

The "[Phony Petitions & Polls](#)" flyer describes how the Convention of States Project (COS) showcases unverified data to deceive legislators into believing their constituents are demanding a "convention of states" in order to influence legislators' votes. This is an illusion! Mark Meckler, President of COS, told legislators last November that he "represents" 90,000 Pennsylvanians who

supposedly signed his petition. But, as the flyer shows, Meckler can't guarantee his signatures are valid.

#### For Republicans Only:

"An Article V Convention Made Easy" shows why Delegates to an Article V Convention have the power to throw off the Constitution we have and set up a new one, with a new and easier mode of ratification.

And COS board member Robert P. George has co-drafted a new constitution which grants massive powers to the federal gov't & imposes gun control with red flag confiscations!

#### For Republicans Only:

In a recent article in the Federalist, Elaine Donnelly asks the question, "What makes you think that only conservatives would show up to an Article V constitutional convention?" She points out that "Participants would include not just conservative Republicans, but Democrats, RINOs, socialists, Green New Dealers, Supreme Court packers, gun controllers, police de-funders, big spenders, Roe v. Wade codifiers, teacher unions, Anthony Fauci fans, Electoral College critics, race-obsessed wokesters, social justice warriors, and peaceniks who would balance the federal budget by disbanding the Department of Defense."

#### Your Letter:

Please write all 49 Pennsylvania Senators and let them know why they should Vote "No" on SR 152 and any other applications asking Congress to call an Article V convention, including SR 67, SR 127, & SR 227.

Copy the addresses below as a block into "BCC," and copy your own address into the "To" box; and place the bill# & description, e.g. Art. V convention, and perhaps something catchy on the subject line. Then Scroll for the Independent and the Democrats.

Senate Republicans (28)—Dear Senator (If you're a Republican or conservative, tell the Republicans so):

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Senate Independent (1)—Dear Senator:

**ymaiden@pasen.gov,**

#### Now for the Democrats:

Democrats should relate to your quoting or rephrasing an idea from one of the following links. Info from the 3 flyers under "Talking Points" should work for Democrats as well:

#### Democrats Only

In his Issue Brief, "A Dangerous Adventure: No Safeguards Would Protect Basic Liberties from an Article V Convention," Georgetown Law Professor David A. Super writes:

"...nothing in Article V assures that states will get to select the delegates to an Article V convention. The actual delegates may owe their positions to Congress or to the voters in a special election, not to the state legislatures. Such delegates would have little reason to bow to the wishes of the state legislature..." (pg. 6)

Or:

"Nothing about the idea of a "Convention for proposing Amendments," as provided for in Article V, limits the scope of the convention in any way. It is common in Congress and many state legislatures for the second chamber to consider a piece of legislation to "amend" the first chamber's bill by striking everything after the enacting clause and inserting an entirely new bill. A similar approach in an Article V convention – an amendment that rewrites everything after the preamble – would do nothing to preserve the rights and liberties that the current U.S. Constitution protects..." (pg. 7)

Or:

You might quote from Chief Justice Warren Burger's LETTER to Phyllis Schlafly dated June 22, 1988:  
“...[T]here is no effective way to limit or muzzle the actions of a Constitutional Convention. The Convention could make its own rules and set its own agenda...After a Convention is convened, it will be too late to stop the Convention if we don't like its agenda...” Senate Democrats (20)—Dear Senator:

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