

The Great Con-Con Con

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QUESTION: What is the procedure to amend the Constitution?

The Congress, whenever two thirds of both Houses shall deem it necessary, **shall propose Amendments** to this Constitution, **or**, **on the Application of the Legislatures of two thirds of the several States, shall call a Convention for proposing Amendments**, which, in either Case, shall be valid to all Intents and Purposes, as Part of this Constitution, when ratified by the Legislatures of three fourths of the several States, or by Conventions in three fourths thereof, as the one or the other Mode of Ratification may be proposed by the Congress; Provided that no Amendment which may be made prior to the Year One thousand eight hundred and eight shall in any Manner affect the first and fourth Clauses in the Ninth Section of the first Article; and that no State, without its Consent, shall be deprived of its equal Suffrage in the Senate.

1. Congress shall propose amendments.
OR
2. Two-thirds of the states (34) shall apply for a convention to be called. (Constitutional Convention or “Con-Con”)

In either case, three-fourths of the states (38) must ratify.

Which procedure is better?

Which Procedure is more dangerous?

WHY?

[Indiana State Senator David Long \(R\)](#)

Will not bring “nullification” bills to the floor. (Shades of Reid!)

Authored SJR 18, calling for an Article V Con-Con

[Madison on a Second Con-Con](#)

See much more at Eagle Forum (Link at ronmarsh.com)

“Burger letters”

Serious questions about Who?... How?... and How Far?

[American Policy Center on con-con](#) (link at ronmarsh.com)

Contact your Indiana House Members!!!! VOTE “NO! on SJR 18”
(It’s already passed the Senate.)

Resources:

Phyllis Schlafly’s Eagle Forum:

<http://www.eagleforum.org/topics/concon/>

American Policy Center

<http://americanpolicy.org/2013/02/06/action-alert-stop-the-con-con/>

Indiana General Assembly

<http://www.in.gov/legislative/>

Who’s your Representative?

<http://district.iga.in.gov/DistrictLookup/>