Here are arguments against an Article V convention (A5C). Please let Your Elected Officials know that we could lose our Constitution at a runaway convention. Short letters with links or attachments for further research work well:

The "**Declaration of Independence**" flyer shows why **Delegates** to an <u>Article V Convention</u> 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 it's happened before in our nation's history!

The "False and Reckless Assurances" flyer shows that the Convention of States Project's (COS) "false" and "reckless in the extreme" assurances are contradicted by the Constitution and the Report of the Congressional Research Service.

\*\*\*State Legislatures do not have the power to control the convention!\*\*\*

"How to get a new Constitution <u>under the pretext</u> of proposing amendments" shows that the Framers understood that an <u>Article V Convention</u> could be used to <u>replace</u> our Constitution-and that's how it's being used today!

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!!

**Democrats only** might be interested in this series of <u>articles</u> from <u>Common Cause</u> showing the dangers of an Article V convention.

Or you may prefer to use a political argument that shows COS has been deceiving legislators in order to get their applications passed:

The "Phony Petitions & Polls" flyer (attached) describes the petitions & polls used by COS to *sway legislators*, rather than measure true voter opinion. COS continually showcases *misleading statistics* to convince legislators that their constituents are demanding a "convention of states."

This **ARTICLE** explains how *COS* uses "Newspeak" to manipulate people into believing that the convention provided for by Article V of our Constitution is really just a "convention of states," rather than a "constitutional convention." They misleadingly define the former to be a convention that is controlled from start to finish by State Legislatures; but a controlled convention is a fantasy. In hearings and legislative chambers across the country, <u>COS is</u> waging a war on semantics —so that legislators will vote for their application.

Let the Senators know that convention Delegates can't be limited by the subject or constraints of the application. There's no such thing as a limited convention. Let's go get 'em!