

time for action has come. It is time to reestablish states as a major constitutional player. Here's a comment from one of the...his state senators that were there, Mike got all wild and weird on us with this constitutional convention speech in Phoenix. The Constitution isn't broken, we don't want to open it up. When Michael started talking about that we just put our heads in our mashed potatoes and groaned, oh, no. So this isn't some confusion on people's part that this is going to be a constitutional convention, this is people who have taken the time to read the comments made by the individuals who are involved in this process that you're putting together and they are themselves saying...

SPEAKER WITHEM: One minute.

SENATOR WITEK: ...this is what they intend to do. If this isn't the intent of the Nebraska Legislature, if this isn't what you want to condone as a body, then you should adopt this amendment. It only states, nothing in the action plan will constitute an application by the state for the calling of a federal constitutional convention within the meaning of Article V. It only states that the reforms that they're talking about will not include the calling of a federal constitutional convention within the meaning of Article V of the Constitution of the United States. It doesn't, like Senator Kristensen's amendment, say that that LR 16 is not an application, it says that an application will not be made at this...at this action plan and at this reform at this Conference of States. So it has a distinct difference. It's a good safeguard to put into this resolution and I would hope that you would vote for it. Thank you.

SPEAKER WITHEM: You've heard the closing. The question is the adoption of the Witek All those in favor vote aye, opposed vote nay. Senator Witek.

SENATOR WITEK: Can I have a call of the house and a roll call vote? I still have a chance for 25 votes.

SPEAKER WITHEM: Yeah, the question is, shall the house go under call? All in favor vote aye, opposed vote nay. Record.

CLERK: 21 ayes, 0 nays to go under call.

SPEAKER WITHEM: The house is under call. Members, please