

way through this and reading some of the material and I'm trying to find out, and I don't have as good a knowledge as some of you do of the Constitution, but it was my understanding that under Article V it was necessary for either the number of states or the legis...the Congress itself...

SENATOR CROSBY: One minute.

SENATOR VRTISKA: ...in order to call a constitutional convention, and I guess I'm suggesting that anybody at any meeting of gathering of legislators can bring up the issue that maybe it ought to be done and take that idea home and try to...try to influence the people in their body that it was a good idea. And I think it could be done at almost any meeting. Now you say this was specifically set out for that. I don't read it that way, but I guess maybe we just have a different interpretation of what is actually...what I've been able to gather from this.

SENATOR WITEK: Okay. I have read through all of The Conference of States material, all of the discussion from Governor Nelson on this, and I believe that their intention is to come up with a document, the whole purpose of this whole meeting is to come up with this states' petition document. And in the Texas resolution, that was similar to our resolution, there was even language in the Texas resolution that states that in that States' Petition they will include a request for a constitutional convention. So...

SENATOR CROSBY: Time.

SENATOR WITEK: ...you can only believe what you read, I guess.

SENATOR VRTISKA: Thank you.

SENATOR CROSBY: Mr. Clerk.

ASSISTANT CLERK: Madam President, Senator Chambers would move to amend the Witek amendment. (Chambers amendment, FA84, may be found on page 1243 of the Legislative Journal.)

SENATOR CROSBY: Senator Chambers.

SENATOR CHAMBERS: Madam President, members of the Legislature, this is a very simple amendment. In line 5, I would strike the