

this States' Petition. And I think, hopefully, they've answered Senator Vrtiska's questions on what...why is this one different than just getting together for a meeting, or phone call, or discussing states rights. What makes this different? And you can see through this list of changes, and in the resolution itself that we're being asked to pass why this one is different. It's much, much more formal, they're going to incorporate, we're going to have delegates there who are going to be voting delegates, they're going to be producing a States' Petition. The agenda by most people who are involved in it will include constitutional amendments and this one that I am talking about in my amendment is one that has been cited by both of the Governors, who are spearheading this, as a likely item on the agenda. So I hope that we can get to the amendment and the actual discussion on the purpose of having two-thirds of the states nullify or sunset, whichever language you're comfortable with, any federal law. I think this constitutional...or this Conference of States is capitalizing on the movement right now in this country of federal mandates. And I wrote a letter to the newspapers trying to give a little different perspective, because most of their focus has been on whether this will turn into a constitutional convention or not. And I want them to hopefully focus on, and people who are making this decision to focus on why this is coming about at all at this time. And I think it's to capitalize on the unconstitutional federal mandates. And in my discussion I said the Constitution is just words on a paper, it's something that binds us as a government, but it is still words on a paper and incapable of, in and of itself, imbalancing powers between the states and the federal government. Where the imbalance that Governor Nelson talks about has occurred, I think, has been the individuals making the decisions on what laws to pass at the federal government so that's what we should be changing, the individuals who are ignoring the Constitution. They're completely ignoring the United States Constitution and the powers that they've been granted by the United States Constitution, and they're continuing to pass these federal mandates, unfunded or funded, either way. So what I say is we need enough senators and representatives who would honor the Constitution and not pass these mandates to us. Our own delegates have voted in favor, our own senators, our own congressmen have voted in favor of motor-voter, I appealed to both of our United States Senators and asked them why they passed the motor-voter legislation two years ago. To me that's a...any way you talk about it, it's unpopular, it's onerous, whatever you want to give to it on the