

State of South Dakota

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SENATE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 9

Introduced by: Senators Stalzer, Bolin, Curd, Greenfield (Brock), Jensen (Phil), Langer, Maher, Monroe, Netherton, and Wiik and Representatives Qualm, DiSanto, Haggar, Haugaard, Heinemann, Jensen (Kevin), Latterell, Mickelson, Otten (Herman), Tieszen, and Willadsen

1 A CONCURRENT RESOLUTION, To accept an invitation to attend a balanced budget
2 amendment planning committee.

3 WHEREAS, Article V of the Constitution of the United States provides that upon receipt
4 of applications from two-thirds of the legislatures of the several states, Congress shall call a
5 convention for proposing amendments; and

6 WHEREAS, it is likely that in the near future two-thirds of the state legislatures will have
7 applied for a convention limited to proposing an amendment adding to the Constitution a
8 requirement that the federal government balance its budget; and

9 WHEREAS, in its call Congress will be required to specify an initial time and place for the
10 meeting of this convention and the convention itself will need to adopt rules for its own
11 governance; and

12 WHEREAS, a national convention of the states has not met since 1861 and a regional
13 convention of the states has not met since 1922 so that many people are unfamiliar with the
14 process, the General Assembly of the State of Tennessee has called a preliminary convention



1 of the states beginning on July 11, 2017, in Nashville, Tennessee for the exclusive purposes of
2 planning for, and recommending rules and procedures to, a prospective convention for
3 proposing a balanced budget amendment to the United States Constitution; and recommending
4 to Congress the initial date and location of a convention for proposing a balanced budget
5 amendment, which preliminary gathering is hereinafter referred to as the Nashville BBA
6 Planning Convention; and

7 WHEREAS, it is in the interest of the people of the State of South Dakota that the voice of
8 our state be heard at the Nashville BBA Planning Convention:

9 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the Senate of the Ninety-Second Legislature
10 of the State of South Dakota, the House of Representatives concurring therein, that the
11 Legislature accepts the invitation of the General Assembly of the State of Tennessee to attend
12 the Nashville BBA Planning Convention; and

13 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the provisions of chapter 2-15 regarding the selection
14 and instruction of Article V convention delegates also apply to this convention.