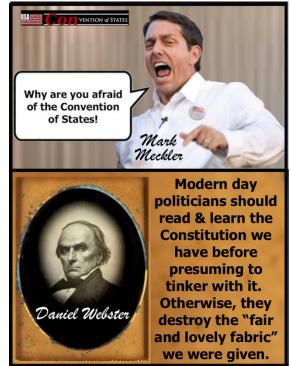
The Nightmare Amendments from COSP's "simulated convention" & why Georgia should rescind its existing applications for an Art. V convention & not pass any more!

"The politician that undertakes to improve a Constitution with as little thought as a farmer sets about mending his plow, is no master of his trade. If that Constitution be a systematic one, if it be a free one, its parts are so necessarily connected that an alteration in one will work an alteration in all; and this cobbler, however pure and honest his intentions, will, in the end, find that what came to his hands a fair and lovely fabric goes from them a miserable piece of patchwork." Daniel Webster, 4th of July Oration, 1802.

Our US Constitution delegates only a handful of powers to the fed gov't. <u>This one page chart</u> lists the powers. But everyone *ignores* our Constitution – even State Legislators have no idea what it says. The mess around us is the result of *ignoring* our Constitution.



But the Convention of States Project (COSP) insists we must *amend* the Constitution to "limit the power and jurisdiction of the federal government", & claims we can get amendments to do that at an Article V convention.

But our Constitution already limits the power and jurisdiction of the fed gov't to a mere handful of powers! Furthermore, it's impossible to rein in the fed gov't with amendments because when the fed gov't usurps powers not delegated, *they are ignoring the existing limitations on their powers*!

Accordingly, COSP can't produce even one amendment which would fix the fed gov'ts violations of our Constitution.

During Sep. 2016, with great fanfare and hoopla, COSP staged a 3-day "simulated convention" at Williamsburg, Virginia, apparently to make us believe that at a convention called by Congress under Article V of our Constitution, the Delegates would not write a new Constitution; but would do nothing more than propose *wise amendments* which would "limit the power and jurisdiction of the federal government".

Most of the Delegates to the simulated convention were Republican State Legislators. <u>HERE</u> is the list of Delegates from each State. The Delegates from Georgia were Representatives Timothy Barr, Buzz Brockway, and Bruce Williamson.

The Delegates to the simulated convention approved six amendments – one for term limits and five others which would dramatically *increase* the powers of the fed gov't. The complete texts of the six amendments approved at the "simulated convention", and how Delegates from the States voted, are <u>HERE</u>. In a nutshell:

• One of the amendments would make Congress's existing - and unconstitutional - practice of spending wildly on whatever they want, *constitutional* for as long as Congress continues to approve increases in the debt.

- Another would delegate to the fed gov't dictatorial new powers over individual Americans such as I witnessed 40+ years ago in Communist East Europe and the Soviet Union: *it delegates to the fed gov't total power over the "movement" or "transportation" of "persons" across state lines!* That amendment also would delegate to the fed gov't additional soviet style dictatorial powers over Americans.
- Under our existing Constitution, only Congress has the power to make law [Article I, §1], but one of the amendments would transform into "law" every word, order, dictate, ruling, opinion issued by anyone *in the Executive Branch* of the fed gov't.
- Another would authorize Congress to impose a national sales tax and a national value added tax.
- Another would legalize the regulatory administrative law state and rulemaking by federal executive agencies. All those rules and rulemaking are now unconstitutional as in violation of Article I, §1, and as outside the scope of the enumerated powers.

So the amendments **don't** "limit the power and jurisdiction of the federal government" – they would *increase* the powers of the fed gov't by delegating new dictatorial powers over Americans and by legalizing powers the fed gov't has *already usurped*.

One assumes that the Delegates to the simulated convention didn't *understand* the ramifications of the amendments they voted for and were misled by others at the convention who hold "insidious views".

The convention lobby is funded by powerful moneyed interests [primarily the Koch Brothers of Texas]. They want a new Constitution for this Country. The way to get a new Constitution is at an Article V convention. That is what this push for a convention is all about; and they are exploiting State Legislators to get it, by telling them that at a convention, they can get amendments to "limit the power and jurisdiction of the federal government".

Statecraft is serious business – it takes systematic study of history, political philosophy, and original source documents to master. I respectfully suggest that the ignorance and gullibility of the American People - including State Legislators - is so great today that we have no business tinkering with our Constitution. *I submit the nightmare amendments State Legislators approved as proof of my words*.

For details, see COS Project's "simulated convention" dog and pony show and what they did there.

Georgia should rescind its existing applications for an Article V convention and should NOT pass any more applications!

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