

# HB488 FEDERALISM AMENDMENTS

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HB488 establishes three pillars of the National Federalism Initiative (NFI) Speaker Schultz and Senate President Adams launched to restore state-federal governing balance to enhance state diversity and promote national unity.

### NFI Pillars

1. Continuing Education for state leaders regarding the general jurisdiction and powers of the States, and the limited jurisdiction of the national government;
2. National Summit of States to concert plans for resetting the State-Federal roles and responsibilities;
3. National Federalism Commission to serve as the watchdog to maintain State-Federal governing balance.

\*The ACIR (Advisory Council on Intergovernmental Relations) served this role from 1952-1996.

“Our cases refer to this general power of governing, possessed by the States but not by the Federal Government, as the ‘police power.’”

-Chief Justice John Roberts, NFIB v. Sebelius (2012)

“In short, the government of each state is, and is to be, sovereign and supreme in all matters that relate to each state only. It is to be subordinate barely in those matters that relate to the whole; and **IT WILL BE THEIR OWN FAULTS** if the several states suffer the federal sovereignty to interfere in things of their respective jurisdictions.”

John Dickinson, Fabius III  
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