

1 State, giving notice of such withdrawal.

2 Section 8. Cooperation. The Commission, Member States and Compact Administrator shall  
3 cooperate with each other and give each other mutual assistance in enforcing this Compact and  
4 shall give the chief law enforcement officer of each other Member State any information or  
documents that are reasonably necessary to facilitate the enforcement of this Compact.

5 Section 9. Dissolution. The Commission shall be deemed dissolved, all of its members and the  
6 Compact Administrator shall be discharged, and all rights and obligations of Member States  
7 under this Article shall be deemed null and void, when the United States Constitution is  
amended by the Balanced Budget Amendment.

8 Section 10. This Article does not take effect until there are at least two Member States.

9 ARTICLE V

10 RESOLUTION APPLYING FOR CONVENTION

11 Section 1. Be it resolved, as provided for in Article V of the Constitution of the United States,  
12 the Legislature of each Member State herewith applies to Congress for a convention for  
13 proposing amendments.

14 Section 2. To the furthest extent permitted by law, the Convention shall be entirely focused  
15 upon and exclusively limited to the subject matter of introducing, debating, voting upon, and  
rejecting or proposing for ratification the Balanced Budget Amendment.

16 Section 3. Congress is further petitioned to refer the Balanced Budget Amendment to the States  
17 for ratification by three-fourths of their respective Legislatures.

18 Section 4. This Article does not take effect until at least three-fourths of the several States are  
19 Member States.

20 ARTICLE VI

21 DELEGATE APPOINTMENT, LIMITATIONS AND INSTRUCTIONS

22 Section 1. Number of Delegates. Each Member State shall be entitled to one delegate as its sole  
23 and exclusive representative at the Convention as set forth in this Article.

24 Section 2. Identity of Delegates. Each Member State's chief executive officer, who is serving on  
25 the enactment date of this Compact, is appointed in an individual capacity to represent his or her  
respective State at the Convention as its sole and exclusive delegate.

26 Section 3. Replacement or Recall of Delegates. A delegate appointed hereunder may be  
27 replaced or recalled by the Legislature of his or her respective State at any time for good cause,  
28 such as criminal misconduct or the violation of this Compact. If replaced or recalled, any

1 delegate previously appointed hereunder must immediately vacate the Convention and return to  
2 their respective State's capitol.

3 Section 4. Oath. The power and authority of a delegate under this Article may only be exercised  
4 after appointment is duly accepted by such appointee publicly taking the following oath or  
5 affirmation: "I do solemnly swear (or affirm) that I accept this appointment and will act strictly  
6 in accordance with the terms and conditions of the Compact for America, the Constitution of the  
State I represent, and the United States Constitution. I understand that violating this oath (or  
affirmation) forfeits my appointment and may subject me to other penalties as provided by law."

7 Section 5. Term. The term of a delegate hereunder terminates upon the earlier of either one (1)  
8 calendar year from the date of accepting the appointment or the adjournment of the Convention,  
9 unless shortened by recall, replacement or forfeiture under this Article. Upon expiration of such  
term, any person formerly serving as a delegate must immediately withdraw from and cease  
participation at the Convention, if any is proceeding.

10 Section 6. Delegate Authority. The power and authority of any delegate appointed hereunder is  
11 strictly limited: (a) to introducing, debating, voting upon, proposing and enforcing the  
12 Convention Rules specified in this Compact, as needed to ensure those rules govern the  
13 Convention; and (b) to introducing, debating, voting upon, and rejecting or proposing for  
14 ratification the Balanced Budget Amendment. No delegate of any Member State may introduce,  
15 debate, vote upon, reject or propose for ratification any constitutional amendment at the  
16 Convention unless: (a) the Convention Rules specified in this Compact govern the Convention  
17 and their actions; and (b) the constitutional amendment is the Balanced Budget Amendment.  
18 Furthermore, the power and authority of any delegate at the Convention does not include any  
19 power or authority associated with any other public office held by the delegate. Any person  
20 appointed to serve as a delegate shall take a temporary leave of absence from any other public  
21 office held by the delegate while attending the Convention, and may not exercise any power or  
22 authority associated with any other public office held by the delegate while attending the  
23 Convention. All actions taken by any delegate in violation of this section are void ab initio.

24 Section 7. Order of Business. Before introducing, debating, voting upon, rejecting or proposing  
25 for ratification any constitutional amendment at the Convention, each delegate of every Member  
26 State must first ensure the Convention Rules in this Compact govern the Convention and their  
27 actions. Every delegate and each Member State must immediately vacate the Convention and  
28 notify the Compact Administrator by the most effective and expeditious means if the  
Convention Rules in this Compact are not adopted to govern the Convention and their actions.

Section 8. Forfeiture of Appointment. If any Member State or delegate violates any provision of  
this Compact, then every delegate of that Member State immediately forfeits his or her  
appointment, and shall immediately cease participation at the Convention, vacate the  
Convention, and return to his or her respective State's capitol.

Section 9. Expenses. A delegate appointed hereunder is entitled to reimbursement of reasonable  
expenses for attending the Convention from his or her respective Member State. No delegate  
may accept any other form of remuneration or compensation for service under this Compact.