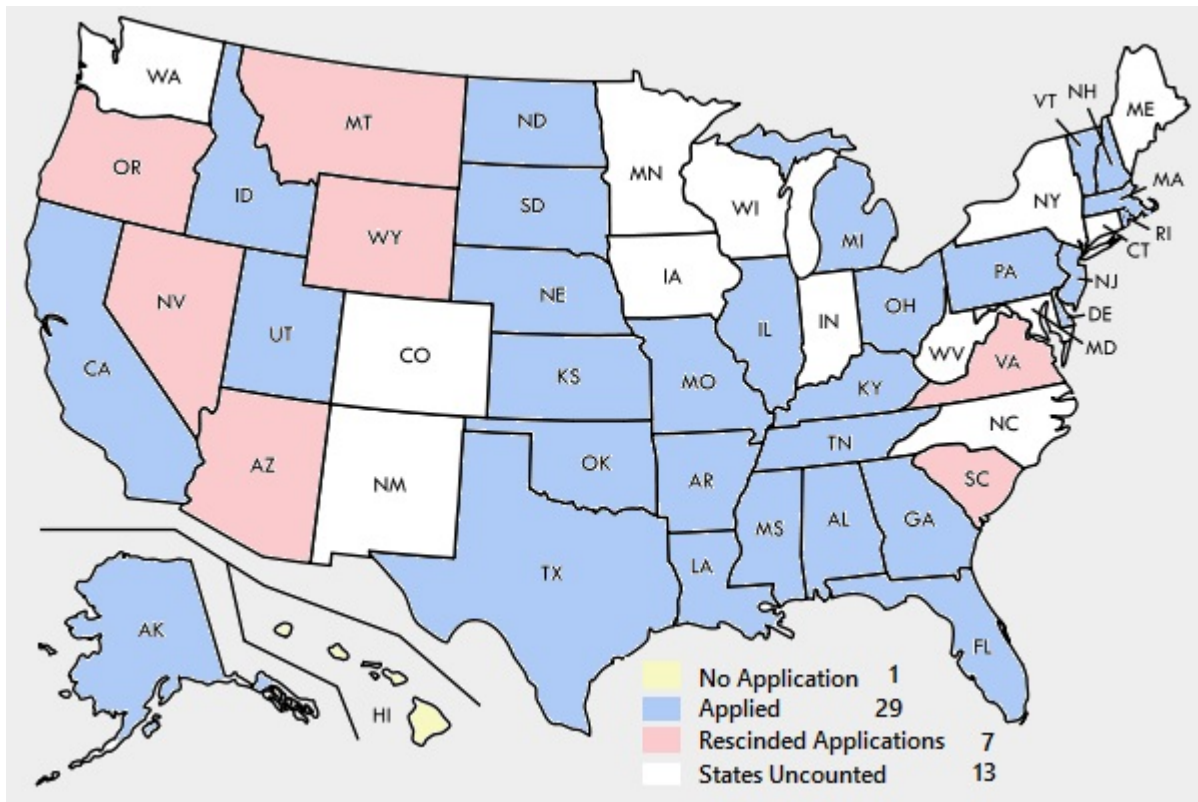


Congress Nears 34 AVC Count

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It's real simple. For months the [House Judiciary Committee](#) has been gathering what amounts to an official list of applying states for an Article V Convention call. As of August 20, 2016, [the committee's official list](#) shows 29 applying states. As we [explain elsewhere](#) so-called rescissions do not count as no provision in the Constitution allows states to rescind applications. Further, federal law prohibits removal of federal records by federal officials. Therefore the committee has already collected sufficient applications to cause a convention call. Indeed the full public record of state applications shows the states have submitted sufficient applications to cause [TEN convention calls](#). Based on the [total number of applications in the public record](#) and fact the committee posts approximately 12 new applications about once a month, the magic "34" applications, or two thirds of the state legislatures needed to cause Congress to call a convention should be reached in two to four weeks regardless whether so-called "recessions" are counted or not.

For example, the [public record](#) shows that in 1979, seven states (Colorado, Maryland, New Mexico, North Carolina, Indiana, Washington, and Iowa) submitted applications for an Article V Convention.



I would like to thank ArticleV.org for providing us this map of the current applications collected

by the committee. The map will be updated on the FOAVC website (<http://www.foavc.org>) as the House committee posts new applications.